

Work Incentive Narrative Report

Grantee Name: OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION

Date Submitted	10/28/2004	Grant No.	WI133800360	Report Period	9/30/2004
Grant Status	<p>The Oklahoma Disability Navigator Project began implementing the second year of the Cooperative Agreement during this quarter. The Navigator Project was expanded this year to provide Disability Navigator services to all One-Stops. Four additional Navigator positions were funded and two Navigators were hired in this quarter. The remaining two Navigators will be in position by November 1st of this year. The Department of Rehabilitative Services has already assigned mentors for all four of the new Navigators. The addition of these four Navigators as well as an increase in travel monies allows the project to cover all of the WIA areas in the state. Initial training and orientation was provided to several One-Stops that had not previously been covered by the Project. The Navigator Project was transferred from the Employment and Training Division to the Field Operations Division during this quarter. This change will result in increased integration of the Navigator as a Systems Employee within the One-Stops. A confidentiality policy was developed and submitted to the legal department for approval.</p>				
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Obstacles	None				
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Sign Accomplishment	<p>One Navigator organized and conducted an Educational Forum for Youth with Disabilities where information was provided by several entities. The theme of the forum was Promoting the Successful Transition of Youth from School to Work and Self-Sufficiency. Another Navigator provided WorkWorld (benefits planning software) training to all of the Oklahoma Navigators as well as Department of Rehabilitative Services employees. A Navigator coordinated a meeting with Transition Youth Services Providers. The meeting included the Healthy and Ready to Work Transition Program Coordinator from Children s Hospital of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City Public Schools Transition Specialist, Youth Specialist for Workforce OK Projects and the Disability Program Navigator. This meeting allowed these groups to work together to coordinate their services and meet the needs of Youth who are leaving High School and entering either work or post-secondary education.</p>				
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Short Term	<p>1. Hire the remaining two Navigators. 2. The four new Navigators will complete the National training session held in Chicago. 3. Training of all Navigators by the Oklahoma Learning Disability Project including One-Stop Accessibility Training. 4. Perform in-depth Accessibility evaluations of the One-Stops and make recommendations to improve the physical and programmatic accessibility of the One-Stops. 5. Implementation of the confidentiality policy.</p>				
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