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PURPOSE: To inform Office of Apprenticeship (OA) staff, State Apprenticeship Agency (SAA) staff, Registered Apprenticeship Program Sponsors and other Registered Apprenticeship Partners of new National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards for the Direct Support Professional (Direct Support Specialist) occupation.

BACKGROUND: These National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards, submitted by NADSP and ANCOR, were approved by the OA Administrator on August 25, 2010. The National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards are a model for developing local registered apprenticeship programs with either OA or SAAs for the Direct Support Professional (Direct Support Specialist) occupation.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug McPherson or Laura Ginsburg at (202) 693-3813.

ACTION: The OA and SAA staff should familiarize themselves with the attached National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards. Please coordinate with the OA National Office to obtain approval for the issuance and distribution of the Interim Credentials (Certificates of Training).

NOTE: This bulletin is being sent via electronic mail.

Attachments

- ANCOR NADSP National Office Certificate ([PDF](#))
- NADSP ANCOR Final Standards ([PDF](#))
- DSP Apprenticeship Appendix A-1 ([PDF](#))
- DSP Apprenticeship Appendix A-2 ([PDF](#))
- DSP Apprenticeship Appendix A-3 ([PDF](#))
- Appendix B Cover Page ([PDF](#))
- NADSP ANCOR Appendix C ([PDF](#))
- NADSP ANCOR Appendix D ([PDF](#))
- NADSP ANCOR Appendix E ([PDF](#))