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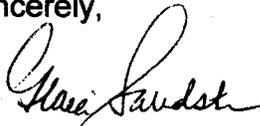
Ms. Lenita Jacobs-Simmons
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Dear Ms. Jacobs-Simmons:

Attached please find Maryland's PY2005 Reemployment Service Performance Report (ETA 9100) in accordance with TEGL 7-05. I apologize for the lateness of our submission.

If you have any questions regarding the report or our program, please call me at 410-767-2996.

Sincerely,



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REEMPLOYMENT SERVICE PERFORMANCE REPORT

STATE: Maryland

DATE: October 20, 2006

STATE SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE REPORT (Add additional sheets if necessary.)

Describe activities and an overview of how the activities were accomplished. Include milestones, and positive outcomes achieved. Compare accomplishment of planned performance goals with the attainment of performance indicators identified by the State in the annual plan.

The delivery of reemployment services in Maryland involves a coordinated approach, including Unemployment Insurance (UI), Wagner-Peyser and Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funded staff. The activities begin with a list of One-Stop Center services and locations mailed with the Unemployment Insurance booklet and statement regarding the job seeker's monetary eligibility, followed by a letter of invitation from our facilitators notifying the profiled job seekers of the mandatory two-day reemployment workshop. The workshops include orientation to the local One-Stop's services and activities.

Our workshop is an adult active learning model, which allows for a lot of interaction with the facilitators and other workshop attendees. The core elements of the workshop are:

- Know yourself, your job skills and what you bring to the marketplace. Learn how to identify your skills and consider the transferability of those skills to the current job market.
- Know the marketplace, what skills are currently in demand and how to locate potential job openings, including openings in new industries or skill clusters.
- Know how to secure employment, including contacting potential employers, responding to job announcements, making the most out of a job fair, and networking for reemployment. Learn how to successfully complete applications and resumes, improve your interviewing skills and handle yourself in an interview.
- Know what is available in the community to assist you in your job search, with emphasis on the opportunities offered within a One-Stop, working with Workforce Investment Act program providers and other community-based programs

Workshop attendees are assisted in the development of reemployment plans with the reinforced understanding that success is measured in gainful employment. In addition to the facilitators, other One-Stop staff visit during the workshop to make attendees aware of services available to veterans, disabled citizens and various training opportunities. Many workshop facilitators have employers visit and discuss what business is looking for and assist with mock interviews.

Videos and a job search resource area enhance the workshop experience and provide additional assistance in refining skills and techniques attendees are learning. Information and hands-on experience in using the Internet for job search and employer research is incorporated into the workshops.

Time is set aside for the attendees to register or complete registration, create a resume and gain exposure to labor market information in our new publicly launched web-based system, the Maryland Workforce Exchange (MWE). MWE is a virtual One-Stop network created to improve access to information about employment, training and workforce support throughout Maryland. MWE connects agencies, programs and services electronically to assist staff, job seekers, and businesses in making the right decisions for future success. Access to information and services are available through MWE 7 days a week, 24 hours a day wherever there is Internet access. The creation of a resume in MWE opens up the opportunity for approved employers using the system to connect with job seekers with the skills to satisfy their employment needs.

Workshop completers receive targeted and specific job search assistance including necessary labor market information. Access is provided to individual and group career guidance, referral to available training and educational opportunities, referral to supportive services, mini workshops, job/career fairs and in-house employer recruitments.

Facilitators follow up with completers to provide one-on-one resume review, job search discussion, referral to partners for training opportunities, job leads, direct job referrals, employment verification and/or refer them to activities and other services at the One-Stop.

Maryland's Reemployment Services Program exceeded its statewide goal of having 12,000 profiled claimants to complete the workshop. We closed this reporting period with 14,007 completed for Program Year 2005 ending June 30, 2006.

Entered employment data for this Program Year is not available. The most recent 9049 reported results on the quarter ending December 31, 2004.