

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is arriving this fall and schools, employment agencies, and the Department of Rehabilitation are getting prepared. Read below and check out the DOL's information sources to ready for this big change in transition focus.

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US Dept of Labor Employment and Training Administration Vision for the Workforce System and Initial Implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

- The US Department of Labor (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) issued [Training and Employment Guidance Letter No. 19-14](#), outlining the agency's vision for WIOA and identifying steps states and local areas can take now to move forward with implementation. The TEGL identifies goals for WIOA implementation, as well as specific actions states and local areas can take now to implement the law. ETA specifically calls on state and local workforce boards to support sector strategies and career pathways that advance opportunities for all workers and jobseekers – **including those with disabilities**. This is new and important as in the past this often was the sole purview of vocational rehabilitation.
- [Disability Employment First Planning Tool](#): Created by RespectAbility, Best Buddies, The National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD), National Council on Independent Living (NCIL), Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) and National Organization on Disability (NOD).