



The "ELS: Earn. Learn. Succeed," e-newsletter communicates timely information regarding the revised apprenticeship regulations.

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The Office of Apprenticeship (OA) has developed new materials to aid your ongoing efforts to implement the revised regulations. We are ending the year with plans for a series of Action Clinics and other events throughout 2009!

## **Materials**

Starting this week, new materials will be available on OA's regulations Web page: <a href="www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm">www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm</a>. The newly added resources include reference guides on 10 key topical areas.

- Regulations at a Glance These one-page, quick reference guides describe how the final rule addresses various topics including:
  - 1. Three Approaches to Apprenticeship Program Completion
  - 2. Interim Credentials
  - 3. Electronic Media in Related Instruction
  - 4. Provisional Registration
  - 5. Program Performance Standards
  - 6. Probationary Periods and Cancellations
  - 7. Proposed Modifications to State Apprenticeship Legislation
  - 8. Reciprocal Approval
  - 9. Recognition of State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAAs)
  - 10. SAA Re-application for Recognition

### **Coming Soon**

- Benefit to the Apprentice Brochure Coming soon, this brochure highlights the benefits that the revised regulations provide to apprentices across the country. Visit <a href="http://www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm">http://www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm</a> soon to download your copy.
- Questions and Answers OA is preparing another set of responses to inquiries submitted to the regulations email address (<u>regs.apprenticeship@dol.gov</u>), and to topics of interest from the Oct. 30 webinar. These Q&As will be available soon at <a href="http://www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm">http://www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm</a>.

Check back regularly to get your updated materials!

# **Meetings**

#### Chicago Action Clinic: Collaboration in the Windy City

On December 9 – 11, 2008, OA hosted the first in a series of Action Clinics. Held in Chicago, the clinic focused on leveraging Registered Apprenticeship and workforce system partnerships to meet the needs of workers and employers in ETA's Chicago Region. Over 200 people attended from Mid-West States including Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska and Wisconsin. Participants represented diverse partners such as community colleges, apprenticeship program sponsors, State Workforce administrators, One-Stop staff, local workforce investment boards, and SAAs. ETA national office and regional office leaders and motivational speaker Stedman Graham opened the clinic, encouraging participants to think outside the box, and to pursue new and innovative approaches in their work with partners. Through a series of interactive and dynamic sessions and group discussions, the state teams developed concrete action plans for strengthening connections between Registered Apprenticeship and workforce, education and sponsors.

#### Dallas Action Clinic: Rounding up Partners in 2009!

The second Action Clinic is scheduled for January 13 – 15, 2009, will target apprenticeship program sponsors, and partners in ETA's Dallas Region (Arkansas, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma,

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#### **Upcoming Events**

January 2009

#### 13-15 ETA Action Clinic Dallas:

Crowne Plaza Dallas 14315 Midway Road, Addison, TX 75001

For more information on the Dallas action clinic and to register: Roseanna Smith, Smith.Roseanna@dol.gov or Bill Martin,
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To register for the conference and hotel and for more details, <u>click here.</u>

\*Dates and locations to be determined for East Coast and West Coast events

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South Dakota, Texas, Utah and Wyoming).

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