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determine the quality of the proposed evaluation plan with respect to—

- (i) Evaluating project operations and outcomes;
- (ii) Involving the BAC in evaluating the project's job development, job placement, career advancement activities, and, to the extent included as part of the activities to be carried out by the project, job training activities;
- (iii) Meeting the annual evaluation reporting requirements in § 379.21(a)(6);
- (iv) Determining compliance with the indicators; and
- (v) Addressing any deficiencies identified through project evaluation.

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 795)

§ 379.31 What other factors does the Secretary consider in reviewing an application?

In addition to the selection criteria in § 379.30, the Secretary, in making awards under this program, considers—

- (a) The equitable distribution of projects among the States; and
- (b) The past performance of the applicant in carrying out a similar PWI project under previously awarded grants, as indicated by factors such as compliance with grant conditions, soundness of programmatic and financial management practices, and meeting the requirements of Subpart F of this part.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 795(e)(2) and 795(f)(4))

Subpart E—What Conditions Must Be Met by a Grantee?

§ 379.40 What are the matching requirements?

The Federal share may not be more than 80 percent of the total cost of a project under this program. For assistance in calculating the required matching amount, see Appendix C to this part.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 795(c))

§ 379.41 What are allowable costs?

In addition to those costs that are allowable in accordance with 34 CFR 74.27 and 34 CFR 80.22, the following

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items are allowable costs under this program:

- (a) The costs of job readiness training, as defined in § 379.5(b)(5); job training, as defined in § 379.5(b)(6); job placement services; job development and modification; and related support services.
- (b) Instruction and supervision of trainees.
- (c) Training materials and supplies, including consumable materials.
- (d) Instructional aids.
- (e) The purchase or modification of rehabilitation technology to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities.
- (f) Alteration and renovation appropriate and necessary to ensure access to and use of buildings by individuals with disabilities served by the project.
- (g) To the extent practicable, the modification of any facilities or equipment of the employer involved that are to be used by individuals with disabilities under this program. However, a project may not be required to provide for that modification if the modification is required as a reasonable accommodation under the ADA.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 795)

§ 379.42 What are the special requirements pertaining to the Client Assistance Program?

Each grantee under a program covered by this part must advise applicants for or recipients of services under its project, or as appropriate, the parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives of those individuals, of the availability and purposes of the State's Client Assistance Program, including information on seeking assistance from that program.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 718a)

§ 379.43 What are the special requirements pertaining to the protection, use, and release of personal information?

- (a) All personal information about individuals served by any project under this part, including lists of names, addresses, photographs, and records of evaluation, must be held confidential.
- (b) The use of information and records concerning individuals must be

limited only to purposes directly connected with the project, including project evaluation activities.

(c) This information may not be disclosed, directly or indirectly, other than in the administration of the project, unless the consent of the agency providing the information and the individual to whom the information applies, or his or her representative, have been obtained in writing.

(d) The Secretary or other Federal or State officials responsible for enforcing legal requirements have access to this information without the written consent of the individual.

(e) The final product of the project may not reveal any personally identifying information without the written consent of the individual or his or her representative.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c))

§ 379.44 What are the requirements for a continuation award?

(a) A grantee that wants to receive a continuation award must—

(1) Comply with the provisions of 34 CFR 75.253(a), including making substantial progress toward meeting the objectives in its approved application and submitting all performance and financial reports required by 34 CFR 75.118; and

(2) Submit data in accordance with § 379.54 showing that it has met the program compliance indicators established in Subpart F of this part.

(b) In addition to the requirements in paragraph (a) of this section, the following other conditions in 34 CFR 75.253(a) must be met before the Secretary makes a continuation award:

(1) Congress must appropriate sufficient funds under the program.

(2) Continuation of the project must be in the best interest of the Federal Government.

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 795(f)(4))

§ 379.45 What are the additional reporting requirements?

Each grantee must submit the data from its annual evaluation of project operations required under § 379.21(a)(5) no later than 60 days after the end of

each project year, unless the Secretary authorizes a later submission date.

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Subpart F—What Compliance Indicator Requirements Must a Grantee Meet To Receive Continuation Funding?

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§ 379.50 What are the requirements for continuation funding?

To receive a continuation award for the third or subsequent year of the PWI grant, a grantee must—

(a) Adhere to the provisions of its approved application; and

(b) Meet the minimum performance levels on—

(1) The two “primary” program compliance indicators identified in § 379.51(b) and described in § 379.53(a); and

(2) Any two of the three “secondary” compliance indicators identified in § 379.51(c) and described in § 379.53(b).

(Authority: Section 611(f)(4) of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 795(f)(4))

§ 379.51 What are the program compliance indicators?

(a) *General.* The program compliance indicators implement program evaluation standards, which are contained in an appendix to this part, by establishing minimum performance levels in essential project areas to measure the effectiveness of individual grantees.

(b) *Primary compliance indicators.* “Placement rate” and “Change in earnings” are “primary” compliance indicators.

(c) *Secondary compliance indicators.* “Percent placed who have significant disabilities,” “Percent placed who were previously unemployed,” and “Average cost per placement” are “secondary” compliance indicators.

(Authority: Sections 611(d)(1) and 611(f)(1) of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 795(d)(1) and 795(f)(1))