

The "ELS: Earn. Learn. Succeed." e-newsletter communicates timely information regarding the revised apprenticeship regulations Title 29, CFR Part 29, released October 28, 2008.

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Webinar Overview

On Thursday, October 30, 2008, the Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) Office of Apprenticeship (OA) hosted a two-hour webinar focusing on the revisions to the apprenticeship regulations. Over 450 apprenticeship stakeholders participated in the Webinar.

During the presentation, OA's Administrator, John Ladd and Deputy Administrator, Dana Daugherty walked through each of the 14 sections of the regulations and identified specific changes to each section. Additionally, the webinar covered the opportunities and benefits that the regulations present to the apprenticeship community, and identified the next steps to continue to engage apprenticeship staff and stakeholders.

Some of the highlights from Thursday's presentation include:

An overview of the three approaches for an apprentice to progress through an apprenticeship program (competency-based, time-based, and hybrid),
Information on the recognition of State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAAs),
and
An explanation of transfers, completion rates and other hot topics.

Throughout the webinar, OA received several questions covering a range of topics. Over the next few weeks, answers to these Frequently Asked Questions will be posted on the apprenticeship regulations Web page at: www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm.

We also encourage stakeholders to send questions to our dedicated email account at: Regs.Apprenticeship@dol.gov.

To download the PowerPoint Presentation or view the archive of the Webinar, visit OA's regulations web site: www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm.

Action Clinics

The revised regulations represent the next step in the advancement of the National Apprenticeship System. Throughout the course of this process, OA has encouraged an open dialogue with staff and stakeholders. As part of this continued effort, ETA will host a series of action clinics to assist the workforce development, education and apprenticeship communities in leveraging Registered Apprenticeship as a key talent development strategy in the public workforce system.

The action clinics will create teams to address implementation of Registered Apprenticeship programs to develop concrete action plans for deepening Registered-Apprenticeship-workforce system partnerships. Teams will include key leaders and decision-makers from:

- Public workforce investment and One-Stop Career Center system
- National Apprenticeship System
- Secondary and post-secondary education communities
- Employer and industry partners
- Organized labor communities
- ETA Federal Project Officers

During the action clinics, teams will form action plans addressing several key items including:

- Integration of registered apprenticeship with the workforce system
- Development of partnerships between the workforce system and

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Upcoming Events

December 2008

9-11 ETA Action Clinics Chicago:
Registration for the Chicago action clinic is closed.

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, Martin.Bill@dol.gov in the Region 4 ETA office, or David Gaither, Gaither.David@dol.gov in the Region 4 Office of Apprenticeship.

To register for the conference and hotel and for more details, [click here](#).

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



- apprenticeship communities,
- Leveraging Registered Apprenticeship to improve workforce system outcomes and performance,
 - Utilizing Registered Apprenticeship as a learning and career training model for an array of talent pools.

The first of these action clinics will be held in Chicago December 9-11, 2008.

Registration for the Chicago action clinic is closed.

For information on the Dallas action clinic please visit:

<http://guest.cvent.com/i.aspx?5S.M3,5d2276d5-e0da-4159-9d48-f483dd415053>.

New Materials

To find latest materials, information, and documents visit:

www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm.

Coming Soon:

"The Revised Regulations PowerPoint Presentation"

Please watch for the Revised Regulations PowerPoint Presentation that was featured in the OA webinar on October 30th. This presentation features information on key topics, goals and the apprenticeship community's next steps in implementing the revised regulations. Over the next few days we will be posting the full webinar with audio and Q&A's on www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm.

"21st Century Apprenticeship: How the Revised Regulations Strengthen the National Apprenticeship System"

This brochure gives an overview of how the revised regulation benefits both apprentices, sponsors, and stakeholders by providing increasing flexibility, consistency, continuity, and promoting apprenticeship as a critical talent development strategy in growth of today's regional economies. Make sure to visit www.doleta.gov/oa/regulations.cfm to download this brochure in the next few days.