

SC Design Plan

SC DEW is uniquely poised to successfully meet its objectives in the Workforce Data Quality Initiative. This project will partner SC DEW with the South Carolina Office of Research and Statistics (ORS) to put to use the data that is collected in the provision of workforce system services to South Carolina customers.

The goals of South Carolina, through funds provided in this grant are to:

- Contribute SC DEW data extracts to the ORS statewide data warehouse, including data from: Wagner-Peyser, Workforce Investment Act, Trade Adjustment Assistance, UI benefits, and UI wages, in order to link participant-level data and develop a workforce longitudinal data system therein.
- Link SC DEW longitudinal data with existing data at ORS from the South Carolina Departments of Education, Social Services, and Vocational Rehabilitation.
- Marry the existing eTRACK system's follow-up capabilities with the sleek web interface and institutional information in the Provider Services module of South Carolina's Virtual OneStop, to assist workforce system customers in evaluating training choices.
- Utilize the analysis of the proposed linked longitudinal data systems to advise and inform policymakers and program managers about the effectiveness of workforce and partner programs.

To that end are the following projected milestone completion dates:

Completed: Enter into a memorandum of understanding with the SC Office of Research and Statistics that requires SC DEW to provide quarterly data extracts from the Wagner-Peyser, Workforce Investment Act, and Trade Adjustment Assistance programs.

3/31/2011: Develop a data-sharing agreement that will meet DOL and state requirements for sharing sensitive UI benefits and wage data.

5/31/2011: Establish a contract with the SC Office of Research and Statistics for statistical analysis of workforce data and any established linkages with data from other agencies and organizations.

6/30/2011: Establish quarterly UI benefits and wage database extracts to ORS.

- Complete the UI wage record database so that the entire name is included in the records.
- Build FTP files from Transmission of data to ORS.
- Add SSN, first name, last name, to UI benefits extract, and forward to ORS via FTP.

9/30/2011 (and ongoing, as databases are enhanced): Establish linkages between workforce data and data from the Department of Education.

9/30/2011 (and ongoing, as databases are enhanced): Establish linkages between workforce data and data from Departments of Social Services and Vocational Rehabilitation.

9/30/2011: Provision of a user interface to SC DEW staff for analysis purposes.

9/30/2011: Establishment of planned reports and deliverables from the database.

10/31/2011: Publicize data regarding consumer education and training choices.

- Integrate the Provider Services module into VOS.

6/30/2012: Facilitate upload of individual student information into Provider Services for eTrack processing purposes.

Based upon these projected dates, we anticipate expenditures as follows:

Year 1: 108,110.34

Year 2: 133,997.34

Year 3: 47,309.32

We have not allotted any funds for travel.