

Central/Western Maine Workforce Investment Board

Policies Governing the Use of WIA Training Funds

- I. In Area III, WIA program funds for each funding stream are allocated proportionally by County, with established percentages of these funds dedicated to training and/or support services as stipulated by contract between the Board and Service providers.
Upon request, the Board may approve the transfer of up to 30% of WIA funds (including training funds) for Adult or Dislocated Workers between the programs. Youth program funds, however, may not be so transferred. [See TEGE No. 23-02 and BES Policy # 06-07.]
Under unusual circumstances depending on relative needs and upon request, the Board may approve request to transfer up to 30% of Adult and/or Dislocated Worker funds to one or more Area III Counties.
Under no circumstances may WIA training funds be used for other budget line items as defined by contract between the Service Provider and the Board.
- II. WIA regulations [20 CFR §663.310 and §663-320] make it clear that WIA "training" services are to be made available to the extent that participants are "unable to obtain grant assistance from other sources to pay the costs of such training". In other words, WIA funding needs to be considered the funding "of last resort".
- III. Service Providers will make every effort to assure that WIA Training funds are not fully exhausted before the end of any given contract year.

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