



OhioMeansJobs center operator procurement delayed until July 2017

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and its proposed regulations require that the one-stop operator (aka OhioMeansJobs center operator) is selected through a competitive process. Based upon these requirements, Ohio has provided the guidance that all OhioMeansJobs center operators must be procured by the local workforce development boards by June 30, 2016, with an effective date of July 1, 2016.

Recently, the Department of Labor (DOL) indicated the requirement to procure the one-stop operator is under review and additional guidance is forthcoming. Based upon the uncertainty of the direction DOL is heading with the procurement of the one-stop operator, the Office of Workforce Development (OWD) has decided to delay the requirement to procure the OhioMeansJobs center operator until July 1, 2017, along with the requirement to procure the career services provider for the adult and dislocated worker program previously announced in a October 19, 2015, memo. This delay does not prohibit any local workforce development board that wants to procure the OhioMeansJob operator and/or career services at this time. The requirement to procure youth program services has not been delayed.

[Click here](#) for a copy a letter from the Office of Workforce Development that discusses the “Procurement of OhioMeansJobs Center Operator and Program Services” and “Workforce Development Board Director and Staff.” If you have any questions, please contact [John Weber](#), Deputy Director, Office of Workforce Development.