

116L.98 WORKFORCE PROGRAM OUTCOMES.

Subdivision 1. **Requirements.** The commissioner shall develop and implement a uniform outcome measurement and reporting system for adult workforce-related programs funded in whole or in part by state funds. For the purpose of this section, "workforce-related programs" means all education and training programs administered by the commissioner and includes programs and services administered by the commissioner and provided to individuals enrolled in adult basic education under section 124D.52 and the Minnesota family investment program under chapter 142G.

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given.

(b) "Credential" means degrees, diplomas, licenses, and certificates awarded in recognition of an individual's attainment of measurable technical or occupational skills necessary to obtain employment or advance with an occupation. This definition does not include certificates awarded by workforce investment boards or work-readiness certificates.

(c) "Exit" means to have not received service under a workforce program for 90 consecutive calendar days. The exit date is the last date of service.

(d) "Pre-enrollment" means the period of time before an individual was enrolled in a workforce program.

Subd. 3. **Uniform outcome report card; reporting by commissioner.** (a) By December 31 each year, the commissioner must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the committees of the house of representatives and the senate having jurisdiction over economic development and workforce policy and finance the following information separately for the previous fiscal or calendar year, for each program subject to the requirements of subdivision 1:

- (1) the total number of participants enrolled;
- (2) the median pre-enrollment wages based on participant wages for the second through the fifth calendar quarters immediately preceding the quarter of enrollment excluding those with zero income;
- (3) the total number of participants with zero income in the second through fifth calendar quarters immediately preceding the quarter of enrollment;
- (4) the total number of participants enrolled in training;
- (5) the total number of participants enrolled in training by occupational group;
- (6) the total number of participants that exited the program and the average enrollment duration of participants that have exited the program during the year;
- (7) the total number of exited participants who completed training;
- (8) the total number of exited participants who attained a credential;
- (9) the total number of participants employed during three consecutive quarters immediately following the quarter of exit, by industry;
- (10) the median wages of participants employed during three consecutive quarters immediately following the quarter of exit;

(11) the total number of participants employed during eight consecutive quarters immediately following the quarter of exit, by industry;

(12) the median wages of participants employed during eight consecutive quarters immediately following the quarter of exit;

(13) the total cost of the program;

(14) the total cost of the program per participant;

(15) the cost per credential received by a participant; and

(16) the administrative cost of the program.

(b) In addition to meeting any reporting requirements included in the grant agreement, each program grant recipient and any individually specified grantee named in an appropriation to be administered by or through the commissioner is subject to this section and must provide the following information to the commissioner:

(1) a summary of the purpose of the grant;

(2) the amount of the grant awarded to the grantee;

(3) the amount of previous grants issued by or through the commissioner of employment and economic development to the grantee for the previous four years;

(4) to the extent that participant geographic data is available, if a grantee uses grant money to provide services to persons who reside outside of Minnesota, the grantee must list the states where non-Minnesotan participants reside and an explanation of why grant money was used to provide services to non-Minnesota residents; and

(5) the organization's charitable giving ratio if available on the grantee's Internal Revenue Service Form 990.

The commissioner must provide the information required in this paragraph for each grantee separately in the report required under paragraph (a). A grantee must provide updated information required to complete the report under paragraph (a) to the commissioner annually by October 1 until October 1 in the year when all of the grant funds have been spent or canceled.

(c) The report to the legislature must contain participant information by education level, race and ethnicity, gender, and geography, and a comparison of exited participants who completed training and those who did not.

(d) The requirements of this section apply to programs administered directly by the commissioner or administered by other organizations under a grant made by the department.

(e) As a condition of receiving a grant from the department, a grantee must agree to provide the commissioner any information necessary to complete the report required by this section.

Subd. 4. Data to commissioner; uniform report card. (a) A recipient of a future or past grant or direct appropriation made by or through the department must report data to the commissioner by September 1 of each even-numbered year on each of the items in subdivision 3 for each program it administers except wages and number employed, which the department shall provide. The data must be in a format prescribed by the commissioner.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2014, the commissioner shall provide notice to grant applicants and recipients regarding the data collection and reporting requirements under this subdivision and must provide technical assistance to applicants and recipients to assist in complying with the requirements of this subdivision.

Subd. 5. **Information.** (a) The information collected and reported under subdivisions 3 and 4 shall be made available on the department's website.

(b) The commissioner must provide analysis of the data required under subdivision 3.

(c) The analysis under paragraph (b) must also include an executive summary of program outcomes, including but not limited to enrollment, training, credentials, pre- and post-program employment and wages, and a comparison of program outcomes by participant characteristics.

(d) The data required in the comparative analysis under paragraph (c) must be presented in both written and graphic format.

Subd. 6. **Limitations on future appropriations.** (a) A program, program grantee, or direct appropriation grant recipient that is a recipient of public funds and subject to the requirements of this section as of May 1, 2025, is not eligible for additional state appropriations for any fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2026, and the commissioner may withhold grant disbursements from a grantee, unless all of the reporting requirements under subdivisions 3 and 4 have been satisfied.

(b) A program, program grantee, or direct appropriation grant recipient with an initial request for funds on or after July 1, 2025, may be considered for receipt of public funds for the first two fiscal years only if a plan that demonstrates how the data collection and reporting requirements under subdivisions 3 and 4 will be met has been submitted and approved by the commissioner. Any subsequent request for funds after an initial request is subject to the requirements of paragraph (a).

Subd. 7. MS 2024 [Repealed, 1Sp2025 c 6 art 4 s 39]

History: 2010 c 347 art 1 s 10; 2014 c 312 art 3 s 7; 1Sp2015 c 1 art 2 s 10-13; 2024 c 80 art 7 s 12; 1Sp2025 c 6 art 4 s 15-17