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Driving the national workforce agenda and providing value-added member services

Upcoming Meetings

March 4-5
Board of Directors
National Harbor, MD

March 4-5
Employment and Training Committee
National Harbor, MD

NASWA In Action

NASWA CONTRIBUTES TO NEW FEDERAL RESERVE BOOK


NASWA contributed a chapter to the third volume called Research and Evidence-Building Capacity of State Workforce Agencies (see page 113). The chapter is an abridged version of an earlier NASWA report funded by the U.S. Department of Labor.

From the Federal Reserve website:
“Within each volume are discrete sections made up of chapters, which identify specific workforce development programs and policies that provide positive returns to society, employers, and job seekers...The policies and practices presented in the book are intended to spur innovative thinking that results in context-
Specific solutions. The perspectives are not intended as an endorsement from the Federal Reserve System or its partnering institutions."

NEW IPC AND FPC* GUIDE AVAILABLE

Members of NASWA’s Interstate Benefits Subcommittee, a Subcommittee of the Unemployment Insurance Committee, recently released a refreshed Interstate Program Coordinator (IPC) and Federal Program Coordinator (FPC) Guide. The Guide is available to NASWA members with login on the website under the Subcommittee’s resource area.

Read more

*Content Note: An edit was made to the title of this submission to correct a typo printed in last month’s newsletter. The correct title for the guide is IPC and FPC Guide, not IPC and FBC Guide.

Conference Corner

WINTER POLICY FORUM

The 2019 NASWA Winter Policy Forum is a gathering for NASWA state workforce members to discuss current and developing trends in the workforce system and how they will be affected by changes occurring in the national landscape. The meeting focuses on collaborating with representatives from the Administration, Congress, U.S. Dept. of Labor, Intergovernmental (IGO) partner organizations, WIOA partner groups, and other D.C. policy-making groups.

Hotel reservation Deadline is February 15, 2019!
Space is limited and selling out quickly. Reserve your room today!

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2019 SIDES SEMINAR & NASWA COMMITTEE MEETINGS
OPPORTUNITIES
Expand your network.
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SIDES Seminar: April 2-4
NASWA Committee Meetings: April 1-3

The State Information Data Exchange System (SIDES) Seminar is a gathering for state workforce members, employers and third party administrators (TPAs) to discuss current and developing trends in the unemployment program and how SIDES can be used to enhance integrity measures, streamline claims processing and reduce agency costs.

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2019 VETERANS CONFERENCE
CALL FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS

Workshop presenters and panelists are being sought for the 2019 Veterans Conference.

Submit your proposal by March 12!

Those who can provide learning opportunities for conference attendees on a variety of topics relevant to serving our nation’s Veterans, transitioning service members, military spouses and employers who hire them are the focus of this search.

Learn More

What's Happening in the States
Content from the states, for the states

Submit what's happening in your state to naswa@naswa.org

ALABAMA

Secretary of Labor in Inaugural Parade Honoring Alabama Governor

Secretary Fitzgerald Washington rode in the January 14, 2019 Inaugural Parade honoring
Governor Kay Ivey. The parade featured 66 entries and traveled up Montgomery’s historic Dexter Avenue. The Alabama Career Center mobile unit (pictured) was the 50th unit in the parade.

**CONNECTICUT**

Outlining Initiatives on Face Connecticut Radio Show

Nancy Steffens of the Connecticut Department of Labor’s Communications Unit and Gregg Kallajian of the Benefit Accuracy Measurement (BAM) unit that provides quality control for agency’s unemployment insurance division, were at WTIC-AM radio to talk with Face Connecticut host Aaron Kupec about a variety of initiatives at the agency.

The public affairs show airs Sundays on WTIC 1080 and again on the network’s FM sister station, WRCH. Topics discussed included tips on filing claims during the high volume season, employment services offered at the American Job Centers, the agency’s online service for claimants needing their 1099G tax statement for filing taxes, and the importance of keeping track of job search efforts when collecting benefits. Gregg is seen here chatting with Aaron after the interview.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**

Results of a South Dakota Employee Benefits Survey are now available online from the Department of Labor and Regulation. The Labor Market Information Center conducted the employer survey over the last few months, publishing results on its website today.

Employee benefits are various types of non-wage compensation provided to employees in addition to their normal wages or salaries. Information about employee benefits is useful not only to employers who want to offer competitive benefits, but also...

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WORKFORCE JOBS

Have you seen the jobs available on our Workforce Jobs page?

View the most recent job listings or email webmaster@naswa.org to submit a workforce development-related job.

The Bulletin Board

IN MEMORY OF LARRY TEMPLE

I received personal notes from many of you about Larry and how he helped mentor and offer guidance as you tackled various workforce issues. His larger than life personality made him a natural leader that all of us gravitated to and he touched folks in many different states. For me, it started back in 2006 and our relationship was forged when Larry, Curt Eysink (NASWA Board President - 2016) and I visited the Hill to talk about the prospects of WIOA in the early days. I will miss Larry, his involvement in NASWA as a perpetual Past President, his Southern hospitality and his dedication to his family.

In honor of Larry and at his request, a donation to the National Federal of the Blind-Texas has been made by NASWA.
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NASWA MEMBER STATES HELP FURLoughed EMPLOYEES

During the recent government shutdown, NASWA states came together to share resources and ideas to help furloughed employees. View resources

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR 2019 HIRE VETS MEDALLION AWARD PROGRAM

The HIRE Vets Medallion Award Program is the only federal award program that recognizes employers who recruit, retain, and employ veterans.

The U.S. Department of Labor recognized 239 recipients of the 2018 HIRE Vets Medallion Program Demonstration Award, honoring employers for their leadership in recruiting, employing, and retaining America’s veterans. Honorees include small businesses, community-based nonprofits, and national companies.

Learn More

HELP A VET

Find the right approach to tough conversations with a Veteran struggling to adjust to civilian life. VA coaches offer advice for helping Veterans get the care they need. Call 888-823-7458 to talk with a coach about ways to support the Veteran in your life.

Please send relevant content for the newsletter to the NASWA Director of External Affairs, Michelle Marshel.

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