Reciprocal Agreement between the States of New Hampshire and Maine to Increase Customer Access to Training Offered by WIOA Eligible Training Providers

The States of New Hampshire and Maine enter into this reciprocal agreement to increase the training options and locations available to eligible Adults and Dislocated Workers who qualify for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Individual Training Accounts (ITAs).

WIOA sec. 122(g)\(^1\) supports reciprocal agreements in which states enter into a mutually beneficial arrangement that permits eligible providers of training services in a state to accept ITAs provided by another state.

**Agreement**

Both states agree to:

- Maintain a publicly accessible statewide Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL)
- Permit qualifying residents to use their ITAs to enroll in a program of training identified on the other state's ETPL
- Follow the requirements of WIOA Section 122
- Follow the requirements of their own State and Local policies and procedures regarding ITAs and the ETPL
- Address grievances that arise regarding client training services; the state in which the client resides will be responsible for resolution

State and Local policies may affect the terms of an individual employment and/or training plan and may be more restrictive concerning out-of-state ITAs. Final approval for using ITA funds rests with the WIOA program operators in the state providing the ITA.

This reciprocal agreement shall remain in effect from the date signed through June 30, 2025 or until modified or rescinded. This agreement may be rescinded when either party gives 30-day written notification to the other of its intent to rescind the agreement, or both parties agree in writing to rescind the agreement by a mutually agreed upon date.

\[\text{\textsc{J. Carroll}} \quad 3-10-2020\]

\[\text{\textsc{Jacqueline Heuser}} \quad \text{\textsc{Date}} \quad \text{\textsc{Virginia Carroll}} \quad \text{\textsc{Date}}\]

\[\text{\textsc{WIOA Director, Office of Workforce Opportunity}} \quad \text{\textsc{Division Director}} \quad \text{\textsc{Department of Business and Economic Affairs}} \quad \text{\textsc{Maine Department of Labor}}\]

\(^{1}\) SEC. 122. (g) AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER STATES. - States may enter into agreements, on a reciprocal basis, to permit eligible providers of training services to accept individual training accounts provided in another State.