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Dear Adult Educators:

**WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)
AWARD CALCULATIONS: PROGRAM YEAR 2024–25**

The purpose of this letter is to explain the approach used when calculating awards and the Payment Point amounts reflected on the Grant Award Notifications (GAN).

Our state has continued to see a slow but steady post-pandemic rebound in adult education performance and recent participant data for the majority of WIOA grantees reflects similar growth. As a result, the Adult Education Office (AEO) has returned to a traditional approach for calculating award amounts based on a single year of data. Program Year (PY) 2024–25 award amounts are based on performance data from PY 2022–23.

Payment Point Values reflect an increase of approximately four percent across most program areas. These levels were selected to reduce unallocated funding while maintaining levels that are both stable and sustainable in the long term. Additionally, subsidies were issued, at the state's discretion, which reflect carefully selected program priorities and further reduce unallocated funding.

For continuing agencies who received funding in PY 2023–24: Payment Point totals reflect points earned in Program Year 2022–23, unless adjusted by the State.

For agencies new to the 2023–27 grant cycle and continuing agencies in new program areas: Payment Points in year two reflect adjusted projected enrollment multiplied by the state aggregated average of students achieving payment points. In year three, agencies should expect a shift from the use of projected enrollment to PY 2023–24 performance data.

Funding adjustments may include but are not limited to non-qualifying activities, funding saturation or deficiency, low performance factors, and responsiveness to grant requirements.

Carryover funding is not yet available for distribution and if available, is planned for release in the second quarter. While a significant number of agencies may see increases in award amounts, estimates or range projections are not yet available.

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Additionally, this year's awards include:

- Funding for positive gains in Employment and Earnings outcomes;
- One-time funding for Exit Reporting in Employment and Earnings where a Social Security Number was available for data matching;
- Subsidies to grantees in the form of:
 - a minimum level of overall funding;
 - a minimum level of funding for Section 225 activities;
 - a minimum level of funding for Section 243 Integrated Education & Training (IET) activities;
 - an additional \$30/point bonus for Section 243 IET;
 - an earmark for Section 243 Program Development activities;
- An increase in WIOA funding to California.

If you have any questions regarding your GAN, please contact your AEO Fiscal Analyst by email, or the AEO by email at adulthoodeducation@cde.ca.gov or by phone at 916-322-2175.

Sincerely,



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