

Strengthening Connections Between UI & One-Stop Delivery Systems

(an ongoing research project)

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Project Partners

- Wisconsin Division of Unemployment Insurance
- Wisconsin Division of Workforce Solutions, Job Service
- DOL/ETA Office of Policy Development & Research
- Berkeley Policy Associates (evaluator)

Procedural Innovations

- Data from the Internet Initial Claims process is automatically sent to the One-Stop system database for comprehensive work registration
- UI staff participate in the One-Stop Center “orientation session” for demonstration participants
- Staff provide services to likely long-term UI claimants immediately upon profiling
- UI and One-Stop staff jointly conduct a new Reemployment Service Plan Review

Service Process

- UI staff refer claimants to local One-Stop centers
- One-Stop staff call claimants about services
- All contacted claimants register for work and receive job-finding services
- One-Stop staff assess claimants' reemployment prospects and needs
- Selected claimants receive a concentrated 4-week job search workshop
- Claimants receive follow-up services

Demonstration Participants

- All claimants referred to demonstration sites receive Re-Employment Services
- Demonstration group served through November 2004 includes claimants with profiling scores ranging from 47% to 100% likelihood of exhausting UI benefits

The Evaluation

- Process study documenting the linkages that develop between UI and Job Service
- Outcome study assessing the effectiveness of demonstration in decreasing participants' duration of benefits
- Outcome study uses matched comparison group from neighboring One-Stops
- Final report due June 2006

Study Sites

Demonstration Sites

- Oshkosh Job Center;
Oshkosh, Wisconsin
- HIRE Center;
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- Job Center Northwest;
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Comparison Sites

- Menasha Job Center;
Menasha Wisconsin
- Job Center South;
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- Teutonia Job Center;
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Outcome Measures

- Entered Employment Rate
- Average Quarterly Earnings
- Average Benefit Duration
- Average UI Benefit Amount Drawn