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MEMORANDUM FOR: JOBS FOR VETERANS STATE GRANT RECIPIENTS  
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SUBJECT: Jobs for Veterans State Grants State Plan Extension

As a condition of receipt of Jobs for Veterans State Grant (JVSG) funding, states are required to submit a state plan to the Department of Labor (DOL) describing how the state will carry out the JVSG program for the year. [Grant Officer Memorandum 02-19](#), dated June 11, 2019, extended all JVSG state plans through June 30, 2020. Since March 2020, states and DOL staff have worked toward submitting, reviewing, revising, and approving JVSG state plans for Program Years (PY) 2020-2023 with a goal of implementing approved plans by July 1, 2020. New state plans are implemented through a modification to the grant and incorporated as part of the grant terms and conditions.

This memorandum provides JVSG recipients with an extension of their current state plan, in instances where such an extension is needed. Current state plans will remain in effect until the new PY 2020-2023 plans are approved.

#### **States Affected by Plan Extension**

Stand-alone JVSG state plans, submitted as a Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 modification within the E-Grants automated modification system, will be implemented with the execution of the FY 2021 grant award. This extension affects states with the following WIOA State Plan types and situations:

- All states that chose to submit a Unified WIOA State Plan must submit a stand-alone JVSG State Plan via E-Grants. These states' current JVSG State Plans will remain in effect until the FY 2021 grant award is executed.
- States that submitted a Combined WIOA State Plan, but did not select JVSG as a partner program, will submit a stand-alone JVSG State Plan via E-Grants. These states' current JVSG State Plans will remain in effect until the FY 2021 grant award is executed.
- States that submitted a Combined WIOA State Plan and selected JVSG as a partner program, but the JVSG State Plan portion was not accepted by July 1, will continue to be subject to their current JVSG State Plan until sufficient corrections have been made and approved.

JVSG State Plans will be incorporated into each state's FY 2021 grant agreement. In order to allow sufficient lead time, all stand-alone JVSG state plans should be finalized and approved by VETS in E-Grants not later than September 4, 2020.

#### **States Not Affected by Plan Extension**

JVSG state plans that are submitted and approved in the WIOA portal as a partner program in a Combined WIOA State Plan will be effective as of the plan approval date or July 1, 2020; whichever is later. DOL considers that a Combined WIOA State Plan, approved in the portal by an interdepartmental panel, constitutes a binding agreement even without the plan being incorporated into the FY 2020 grant terms and conditions.

These states will be subject to their new PYs 2020-2023 JVSG State Plan starting on July 1 (or approval date, if later than July 1), including the incentive award portion of that plan. The state's official notification of plan approval will be sent via automated email notification from [WIOA@ed.gov](mailto:WIOA@ed.gov).

WIOA State Plans, regardless of type, must be approved by June 30, or by the deadline set by the federal panel lead.

All JVSG state plans, regardless of type or submission method, will be incorporated into each state's FY 2021 grant agreement. In order to allow sufficient lead time, plans should be finalized and approved by VETS not later than September 4, 2020. Therefore, states and Grant Officer's Technical Representatives (GOTRs) should continue their efforts toward submitting, reviewing, revising, and approving state plans notwithstanding this extension.

Any questions regarding this memorandum should be submitted to the applicable GOTR.