

PROGRAM 5 – ALASKA WORKFORCE INFUSION GRANT (AWIG)

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

I. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The purpose of AWIG is to mitigate the effects of the worker shortage and encourage job seekers to return to the workforce for training and/or employment. Grant funding can be used for curriculum development, tuition payments, equipment, tools, safety gear, outreach, advertising, childcare subsidies, and more.

II. PROGRAM PROCEDURES

Funds for the program were appropriated from the State's General Fund provided to the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development. The administrative agencies use the Alaska Workforce Infusion Grant (AWIG) funds to pay for curriculum development, tuition payments, equipment, tools, safety gear, outreach, advertising, childcare subsidies, and more.

III. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS AND SUGGESTED AUDIT PROCEDURES

A. TYPES OF SERVICES ALLOWED AND UNALLOWED -

Compliance Requirements:

The grant agreement will specify the types of activities that are allowed or not allowed under the grant. The grant budget will specify what items are to be paid with grant funds.

Suggested Audit Procedures:

- a) Review the grant agreement and grant budget to determine the services allowed or not allowed under the grant.
- b) Test financial and related records and determine the purposes for which funds were expended.
- c) Verify that overhead expenses were within the amount budgeted in the grant agreement.

B. ELIGIBILITY -

Compliance Requirements: The grant agreement will specify any eligibility requirements for persons being served under the grant.

Suggested Audit Procedures: Review the grant agreement to identify any eligibility requirements and test a sample of participant records to verify eligibility was properly determined.

C. MATCHING, LEVEL OF EFFORT AND/OR EARMARKING REQUIREMENTS -

There are no matching or earmarking requirements. The grant agreement will specify any matching requirement.

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D. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS -

Compliance Requirement: Periodic performance and financial reports are required of the grant recipient and will be specified in the grant agreements.

Suggested Audit Procedures: Examine copies of reports and determine completeness of submission, and trace data in selected reports to underlying documentation.

E. SPECIAL TESTS AND PROVISIONS -

Compliance Requirement: The grant recipient's accounting systems should include controls adequate to check the accuracy and reliability of accounting data, promote operating efficiency, and assure compliance with program requirements and generally accepted accounting principles. The grant agreement may contain specific provisions to which the grant recipient must adhere.

Suggested Audit Procedure:

- a) Review financial and related records and accounting procedures to verify the accuracy and reliability of the accounting data; verify the system assures compliance with program requirements; and verify the records and procedures comply with generally accepted accounting principles.
- b) Review the grant agreement, identify any special provisions or requirements, and verify that they were met.