

 POLICY	POLICY NAME: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – Local Elected Official(s) and Local Workforce Development Board Partnership Agreement Policy Number: 15-003 Date of Issue: March 4, 2015 Effective Date: October 1, 2015
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Applies /Of Interest To: Local Workforce Development Boards, Local Workforce Development Boards' staff, and Local Elected Officials	

Subject	Policy on Local Elected Official (LEO) and Local Workforce Development Boards (LWDBs) Partnership Agreement
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Purpose	This policy provides additional guidance relating to the LEOs and LWDBs per Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Public Law 113-128. The governance and operation of the Local Workforce Development System is contingent on a successful partnership between the LEOs and the LWDB related to their respective roles which are outlined in this policy and partnership agreement template. This policy and template are provided to ensure that the necessary regulatory and operational elements are described, included and understood by both parties. LEOs and LWDBs may include additional agreed upon expectations. This partnership agreement will facilitate the delivery of optimal workforce development services for individuals and employers within the Local Workforce Development Areas.
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Definitions	<p>Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO) - The CLEO is the chief local elected official(s) elected among the consortium of LEOs representing the LEOs in the Workforce Development Area.</p> <p>Local Elected Official (LEO) - The LEOs are the local elected officials of a county. The highest elected official in counties and counties with merged government shall be considered the LEO for their respective county.</p> <p>Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) - means a local workforce development board established under section 107, subject to section 107(c)(4)(B)(i).</p>
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Background	This policy and template provide the initial foundation for understanding the separate and shared functions of LEOs and LWDBs envisioned under WIOA.
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<p>Policy</p>	<p>LEOs and LWDBs PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT</p> <p>This LEO-LWDB partnership agreement policy reflects the definitions contained in the Interlocal Agreement Policy (Policy Number 15-002, Issued March 4, 2015), which states: “The LEOs are the local elected official of a county and the CLEO is the chief local elected official selected among the consortium of LEOs representing the LEOs in the Workforce Development Area.”</p> <p>This agreement is between the LEOs, represented by the CLEO, and the LWDB, represented by the designated Chair. Its purpose is twofold: (1) to define their operating relationship; and (2) to confirm that the LEOs and the LWDB have read, understood and agree on the functions, duties and responsibilities of the LEOs (represented by the CLEO) and the LWDB (represented by the Chair) as outlined in WIOA, Public Law 113-128 and in the policies issued by the (OET).</p> <p>The Interlocal Agreement, a written agreement that specifies the responsibilities of the CLEO and the individual LEO(s), must be consistent with the Partnership Agreement insofar as any item addressed by both agreements is concerned. Both governing agreements are dynamic documents that can, and should, be amended when a need or desire arises and the respective signatories agree.</p> <p>The partnership agreement template is in the form of an Attachment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section I includes all required contents of the agreement, the joint duties, functions and responsibilities of the parties; • Section II includes other additional topics the parties may choose to address; AND • Section III records updates and amendments to the initial agreement as the need arises. <p>The initial agreement must be submitted to OET no later than 30 days prior to the effective date of the agreement for approval. The approved agreement must be shared with each new LEO and LWDB member. Subsequent updates and amendments must be recorded and submitted to OET for review, approval and recording, using Section III as described above prior to the effective date.</p>
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<p>Procedural Guidance</p>	<p>Available for OET monitoring and posting to designated OET “Team of Experts” website, if/as requested.</p>
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<p>Required Action</p>	<p>LEOs and LWDBs should review current processes and procedures for compliance per effective date of this policy.</p>
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<p>Supersedes/ Replaces</p>	<p>NA</p>
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Other References	Interlocal Agreement Policy, effective 7-1-15 and WIOA-Board Member Guidelines Policy, effective 7-1-15
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Technology Implications	Approved policy located on the Kentucky Career Center website/Team of Experts page.
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