Region VI Workforce Development Board/ Training Provider Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Region VI Workforce Development Board, referred to herein as the "WDB" and herein referred to as the "Training Provider" is entered into this day of , 20.

WITNESSETH

The Parties: The Region VI WDB is a non-profit organization authorized under the laws of the State of West Virginia to administer and carry out the purposes of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014 within the thirteen-county region which is designated by the State of West Virginia as Region VI. The Training Provider is legally authorized to provide occupational training / educational programs approved by the Region VI WDB, being in a regional demand occupation, and listed on the West Virginia State Eligible Training Provider list.

Purpose of the MOU: The MOU establishes the terms and conditions under which the Training Provider shall be eligible to receive WDB funds, under the WIOA of 2014, on behalf of eligible individuals who desire to enroll in occupational training classes or programs offered by the Training Provider. This MOU shall also outline the Training Provider responsibilities during training and upon completion of training.

Term of MOU: This MOU shall run throughout the term of the Training Provider eligibility but shall automatically terminate on such date as the Training Provider becomes ineligible to receive funds under the Act. In addition, the Training Provider may terminate this MOU upon written notice to the WDB. The WDB may terminate this MOU upon good cause shown, including the failure of the Training Provider to comply with a material provision of this MOU. Any change to this MOU will be in writing and signed by both parties.

Eligibility for training services: All students must meet with a Region VI career planner prior to the start of their training to complete the eligibility process prior to the release of WIOA funds. Documentation to prove eligibility is required. There will be no back pay to the beginning of the training program. Students starting training prior to the process being complete are not eligible for WIOA funding. WIOA funding is not entitlement nor is it considered any kind of financial aid.

General Training Provider Reporting Requirements: Training providers must provide the following information:

- Leaves of Absence: Training providers are required to notify the career planners of any WIOA participant that is on leave of absence.
- **Disciplinary Actions/Unsatisfactory Academic Progress:** Training providers are required to notify the career planners of any WIOA participant that has received disciplinary action or is not making satisfactory academic progress.
- **Monthly time sheets:** Training providers are required to submit monthly time sheets for WIOA funded participants receiving support service payments.
- **Measurable Skills Gains:** Training providers are required to provide career planners milestones of all WIOA students.

Failure to submit timely reports will result in a pause in future enrollments until those documents are received.

Access to Records: The Training Provider will permit access by personnel from the U.S. Department of Labor, WorkForce WV and/or Region VI WDB to student records and other information to conduct appropriate oversight and audits to confirm proper disbursements and utilization of funds provided under the Individual Training Account (ITA). A signed copy of the participant's Release of Information will be provided. Electronic records are permissible. The Training Provider agrees to retain all records pertinent to a WIOA participant, including financial documentation for a period of 5 years from the date of the participants' completion of training.

MACC: Annually, the Training Provider shall capture and report performance measures in the Mid Atlantic Career Consortium (MACC) computer system, as required by the U.S. Department of Labor and the Region VI WDB.

Funding: WIOA funding is based on a participant's eligibility and funds must be applied only to the participants student account.

WIOA funding will be utilized after all other student-training grants have been exhausted (i.e. Pell, Vocational Rehab, etc.). WIOA funding is to be utilized for tuition and training related fees only. WIOA funding cannot be used to offset the costs of living expenses.

If student funding changes and it is determined that WIOA funds in excess of tuition and fees have been received on behalf of the student, excess funds must immediately be returned to Region VI WDB.

The Training Provider agrees that they must receive prior approval from the appropriate Career Planner of any changes to the ITA and/or original training plan. The Training Provider understands that failure to request approval for any changes may result in non-payment for the class, or possible revocation of the Individual Training Account (ITA). Any change in the students' course requirements must have prior approval of the WDB.

Payment process: The Training Provider agrees to follow the ITA process as outlined in the Region VI Invoice Process and the WIOA Refund policy which can be found at <u>www.regionviwv.org</u>. Click on the <u>Training & Education</u> tab to access all forms. Payment of submitted invoices is contingent upon receipt of federal WIOA funds from the state of WV.

Student Enrollment: The Training Provider understands that under the WIOA, individuals who are eligible to receive funding have the right to choose the training program and training provider which best meets that individual's needs. Therefore, the Training Provider understands and agrees that the WDB is not responsible for referring to or providing a minimum number of students to operate such training classes or training programs. In addition, nothing in this MOU requires the Training Provider to accept students under this MOU.

WDB Funding / Availability of Other Funds: The obligation to pay tuition, fees, or other charges under this Agreement shall be specifically contingent on and limited to the availability of funds provided to the Region VI WDB under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act or from other sources, and upon the policies adopted by the Region VI WDB for the use and allocation of the funds it receives.

The amount of funds payable to the Training Provider under this Agreement for each individual student shall be specified in the student's Individual Training Account and shall be in accordance with the WDB's policies and procedures and the requirements of the Act and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Entire MOU: This MOU represents the understanding of the parties, and no part shall be modified or amended except by a supplemental agreement executed by the parties.

Region VI Workforce Development Board

By:_____ Signature and Date

Printed Name: Maria K. Larry

Title: Executive Director

Training Provider

By:______ Signature and Date

Printed Name:_____

Title:_____