

Workforce Development

Glossary of Terms and Acronyms

ABE	Adult Basic Education
ADCF	Aid to Families with Dependent Children
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
BCC	Bristol Community College
BEST	Building Essential Skills through Training
BOG	Bridging the Opportunity Gap
BSC	Bridgewater State College
CA	Connecting Activities
CBO	Community-Based Organization
CC	Career Center
CCP	Career Center Partnership
CEO	Chief Elected Official (Mayor Scott Lang for Greater New Bedford)
CEP	Career Educators Partnership
CommCorp	Commonwealth Corporation
CS²	Communities and Schools for Success
CSL	Community Service Learning
CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement
CVTE	Career and Vocational Technical Education
CYDE	Center for Youth Development and Education (division of CommCorp)
DAT	The state's Division of Apprenticeship Training
DCS	The state's Department of Children and Family (formerly DSS)
DCS	The state's Division of Career Services (lead state agency for Career Centers and WIA funds – formerly DET – part of EOLWD)
DDS	The state's Department of Developmental Services (formerly DMR)
DESE	The state's Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (formerly DOE)
DET	The state's Division of Employment and Training (replaced by DCS and DUA)
DHCD	The state's Department of Housing and Community Development
DMH	The state's Department of Mental Health
DMR	The state's Department of Mental Retardation (now DDS)
DOC	The state's Department of Corrections
DOE	The U.S. Department of Education
DOL	The U.S. Department of Labor (oversees many workforce development and labor programs, including unemployment insurance, Career Centers, and WIA)
DSS	The state's Department of Social Services (now DCF)
DTA	The state's Department of Transitional Assistance (formerly Department of Public Welfare)
DUA	The state's Division of Unemployment Assistance [now part of EOLWD and lead agency for the unemployment insurance (UI) program and the Workforce Training Fund (WTF)]
DVOP	Disabled Veterans Outreach Program
DWD	The state's Department of Workforce Development (part of EOLWD)
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DYS	The state's Department of Youth Services
EAS	Employment Assistance Services
ECCLI	The state's Extended Care Career Ladder Initiative
ED	Economic Development
EDC	Economic Development Council
ELL	English Language Learner
EOC	Educational Opportunity Center
EOLWD	The state's Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development
ES	Employer(ment) Services

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ESOL	English for Speakers of Other Languages
ESP	The state's Employment Services Program (formerly MassJOBS)
FA	Fiscal Agent
FBO	Faith-Based Organization
FYI	For Your Information
GED	General Educational Development
GLCPS	Global Learning Charter Public School
GNBCC	Greater New Bedford Career Center
GNBWIB	Greater New Bedford Workforce Investment Board, Inc.
GNBRVTHS	Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School
HE	Higher Education
IEP	Individual Employment (or Education, for a student) Plan
ISA	Interagency Service Agreement
ISP	Individual Service Plan
ISS	Individual Service Strategy
JTPA	The U.S.'s Job Training Partnership Act (replaced by WIA)
LVER	Local Veterans Employment Representatives
LWIB	Local Workforce Investment Board
MassJOBS	Massachusetts Jobs Program (now ESP)
MCAS	Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System
MCB	Massachusetts Commission for the Blind
MERA	Massachusetts Education Reform Act
MIRA	Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition
MJC	Massachusetts Jobs Council
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MORI	Massachusetts Office of Refugees and Immigrants
MOSTWT	Massachusetts Office of School to Work Transition
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MRC	Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission
MWBA	Massachusetts Workforce Board Association
MWIB	Massachusetts Workforce Investment Board (formerly SWIB)
NAWB	National Association of Workforce Boards
NDS	New Directions Southcoast, Inc. – Career Center Operator for GNB region (formerly ND)
NEG	National Emergency Grant
NUCLI	The state's Nursing Career Ladder Initiative
OCRVTHS	Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School
OL	Organized Labor
ORRHS	Old Rochester Regional High School
OSCC	One-Stop Career Center
OSS	Our Sisters School (New Bedford school for girls)
PA	Public Assistance
PAC	Partners Advisory Council (a group of local career center partners)
PEd	Public Education
PEm	Public Employment
PEs	Post Employment Services
PIC	Private Industry Council
PS	Private Sector
REB	Regional Employment Board
RIT	Regional Industry Team
RFP	Request for Proposals

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RFR	Request for Responses
RFQ	Request for Qualifications
RR	Rapid Response
SABES	System for Adult Basic Education Support
SDA	Service Delivery Area
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
SOWBA	State Office of Minority and Women Business Assistance
SPED	Special Education
SRPEDD	Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District
SRTA	Southeastern Regional Transit Authority
STC	School to Career (DOE terminology)
STW	School to Work (DCS terminology)
SWIB	State Workforce Investment Board (now MWIB)
TABE	Test of Adult Basic Education
TANF	Transitional Assistance to Needy Families (formerly AFDC)
Title V	Older Workers Program (ages 54+)
TTI	Tactical Training Initiative
UI	Unemployment Insurance
UIC	Unemployment Insurance Claimant
UMass	The University of Massachusetts
UMD	University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
VE	Vocational Education
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation
WBLP	Work-Based Learning Plan (state sanctioned goal setting and assessment tool for job readiness)
WCC	Wareham Career Center
WCTF	Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund
WIA	Workforce Investment Act of 1998 / Workforce Investment Area Title I – Adult program (age 21+) Title I – Dislocated (laid off) workers Title I – Youth (ages 14-21, in-school and out-of-school programs)
WIB	Workforce Investment Board
WTF	Workforce Training Fund
WtW	Welfare to Work
WDS	Workforce Development System
WP	Wagner-Peyser (federally funded employment services delivered through OSCCs)
VTH	Veterans Transition House