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The Disability Employment Initiative (DEI) is a collaboration of the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) and the Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) to improve effective and meaningful participation of person with disabilities in the workforce system with grant awards to state workforce agencies to support American Job Centers.

Since 2010, DOL has awarded over \$123 million to forty-nine projects within twenty-eight states. Recent DEI cooperative agreements incorporates a Career Pathway focus and is fully aligned with the goals and objectives of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). DEI strategies include:

- Developing collaborative partnerships at the state and local levels across multiple service delivery systems
- Supporting job-driven approaches in career pathway systems and programs to equip individuals with disabilities with the skills, competencies, and credentials necessary to help them obtain in-demand jobs, increase earnings, and advance their careers
- Promoting physical, programmatic and communication accessibility
- Blending and braiding of funds and leveraging of resources to promote the participation of individuals with disabilities
- Providing flexible approaches to designing and providing training, supportive activities, and innovative workplace strategies
- Establishing Integrated Resources Teams

- Expanding the public workforce development system's capacity to become an Employment Network under the Social Security Administration's Ticket to Work program
- Creating systems change

The updated DEI Fact Sheet, DEI Information Brief, and the DEI Map (includes 2016 DEI Grant Awards, Round 5 grants that have ended, and RSA Funded Technical Assistance Centers) s available under Related Content.

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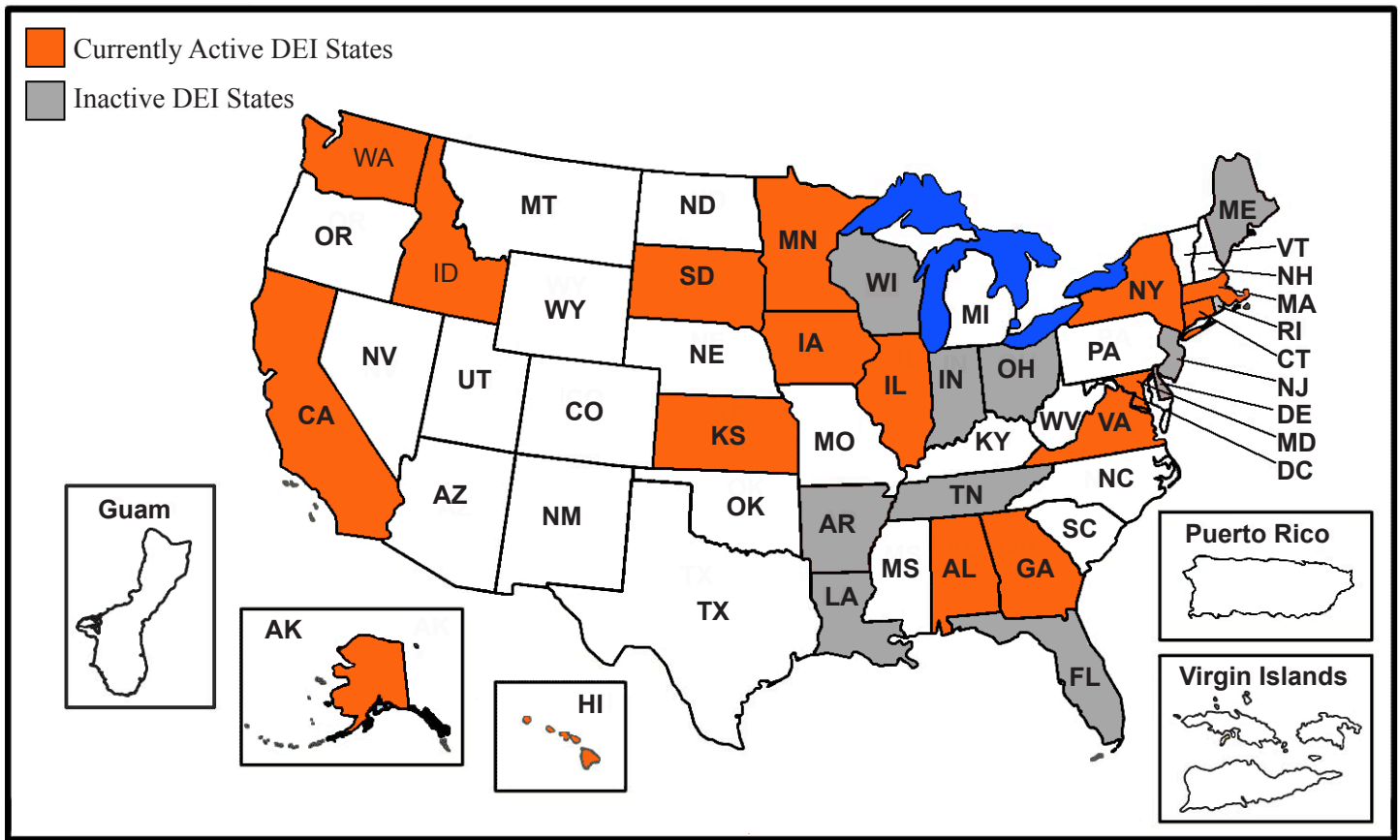
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This map represents the forty-nine projects in twenty-eight states that have entered into cooperative agreements with the US Department of Labor since 2010 to implement strategic approaches to support exemplary employment services for youth (ages 14-24), adults (ages 18 and older) with disabilities, and individuals (age 14 and over) with significant disabilities in the workforce development system.

The Disability Employment Initiative (DEI) is jointly funded by the Department's Employment and Training Administration and the Office of Disability Employment Policy



Key to population focus: Adults with Disabilities = A; Youth with Disabilities = Y; Individuals with Significant Disabilities = S

Round 1: Funded 2010-2013

- Alaska - A
- Arkansas - Y
- Delaware - Y
- Illinois - A
- Kansas - A
- Maine - A
- New Jersey - Y
- New York - A
- Virginia - A

Round 2: Funded 2011-2014

- California - A
- Hawaii - A
- Ohio - A
- South Dakota - Y
- Tennessee - A
- Washington - A
- Wisconsin - A

Round 3: Funded 2012-2015

- Florida - A
- Indiana - A
- Iowa - A
- Louisiana - A
- Massachusetts - A
- Minnesota - Y
- Rhode Island - A

Round 4: Funded 2013-2017

- Alabama - Y
- Alaska - A
- Connecticut - A
- Idaho - Y
- Illinois - A
- Maine - A
- New York - A
- Virginia - A

Round 5: Funded 2014-2018

- California - A
- Illinois - Y
- Kansas - A
- Massachusetts - A
- Minnesota - A
- South Dakota - A

Round 6: Funded 2015-2019

- Alaska - Y
- Georgia - S
- Hawaii - S
- Iowa - A
- New York - A
- Washington - A

Round 7: Funded 2016-2020

- California - A
- Connecticut - Y
- Idaho - Y
- Maryland - S
- Massachusetts - Y
- Minnesota - Y

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