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|  | West Central Region Local Policy | |
| | Subject: Criminal Fraud, Waste, Abuse, and Other Criminal Activity Related to Federal Awards Policy | Release Date: 7/26/2023 |
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OWD Issuance 16-2022 establishes complaint and reporting procedures regarding criminal fraud, waste, abuse, or other criminal activities related to federal awards for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult, Dislocated Worker, Wagner Peyser (WP), or any other federally funded programs operated by the Office of Workforce Development (OWD).

Recipients of federal awards under WIOA or the WP Act are obligated to report incidents of fraud, waste, misappropriation, or theft of those funds by the recipient, or a subrecipient, as a condition for receiving those funds. Failure to report such incidents can lead to the withholding of funds, suspension, debarment, or other legal remedies.

In the WIOA implementing regulations, 20 CFR 683.200 (h) stipulates that all WIOA Title I and Wagner-Peyser Act recipients of federal awards must disclose violations of federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the award. Per 2 CFR 200.113, the non-Federal entity or applicant for a Federal award must disclose in writing all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award. Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in 2 CFR 200.339. (See also 2 CFR part 180, 31 U.S.C. 3321, and 41 U.S.C. 2313.)

The Workforce Development Board of Western Missouri, Inc. (WDB) will follow the guidelines set forth in OWD Issuance 16-2022 and any subsequent issuances or rescissions.