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Illinois Community College Board

**WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITIES ACT
ILLINOIS STATE UNIFIED PLAN**

Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA) was signed into law on July 22, 2014 which includes Title II: Adult Education and Literacy Act. On March 3, 2016, Illinois submitted its first unified plan under the new law. This plan extended from FY2017 through FY2020.

A new plan was developed that will be effective July 1, 2020 and extends through June 30, 2024. The plan was submitted to the ICCB Board for comment in January 2020. In February 2020, the Illinois Workforce Innovation Board (IWIB) approved the Illinois State Unified Plan and submitted it to the Governor for final approval and submission to the United States Departments of Education and Labor on March 2, 2020.

The Plan includes a new vision, goals, strategies, and activities as well as required program specific elements for each of the four core partners: Title I – Adult, Youth and Dislocated Worker Programs - Department of Commerce (Commerce); Title II: Adult Education- Illinois Community College Board (ICCB); Title III: Wagner Peyser – Illinois Department of Employment and Security (IDES); and Title IV: Vocational Rehabilitation – Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS).

The plan is aligned with several efforts, plans and initiatives throughout the state including the ICCB's Adult Education Strategic Plan: Expanding Career Pathways Opportunities for Adult Learners, the Workforce Education Strategic Plan, and the Perkins V State Plan. The plan is a collaborative effort between the core partners, the IWIB, the WIOA required partners, including postsecondary Perkins, and other stakeholders.

An electronic copy of the plan is located at:

<https://www.illinoisworknet.com/WIOA/Resources/Documents/Final%20Combined%20USP%20Plan%20Document.pdf>