

Illinois Community College Board

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

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA) was signed into law on July 22, 2014 and includes the WIOA 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.

Currently a second plan is being developed and will extend from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2024. As part of WIOA, it is required that the State of Illinois submit a Unified Plan by March 1, 2020 and must include program specific elements for 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 will also address the new vision, strategies and activities as well as the inclusion of all WIOA required partners, including postsecondary Perkins.

A brief oral presentation will be provided highlighting the Illinois State Unified Plan requirements and timelines; the planned activities, specifically for Title II: Adult Education; and the connection of WIOA with the Adult Education Strategic Plan, Perkins V State Plan and the Workforce Education Strategic Plan. The presentation will also discuss the public comment period which extends through February 9, 2020. The plan document can be found at: <https://www.illinoisworknet.com/DownloadPrint/Unified%20State%20Plan%20-%20Final%20Public%20Comment.pdf>.