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Memorandum

To: Employment Ontario (EO) Network Delivery Partners
From: Cordelia Abankwa
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Date: October 1, 2021
Subject: Literacy and Basic Skills Special Initiatives for 2021-22

Dear Employment Ontario (EO) Network Delivery Partners,

The Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development remains committed to providing relevant and high-quality services to learners in the Literacy and Basic Skills (LBS) program. The ministry would like to take this opportunity to share with you a new initiative designed to enhance the Ontario Adult Literacy Curriculum Framework (OALCF).

Evaluations and feedback from the field have shown a more fulsome suite of assessment tools within the OALCF would better serve the full breadth of learners currently accessing the LBS program. Expanding the number of milestones and culminating tasks will allow service providers to provide more meaningful service to their learners and better measure learner progress and transitions towards their goals.

In order to expand of the suite of learner assessment tools, the ministry will be inviting the network of LBS support organizations to review and update existing standardized assessments and develop new tools to better serve the range of learners accessing the program.

The ministry relies on the support of the EO network to ensure the success of these initiatives. The ministry thanks you for the work you do every day to support the employment and training needs of the people in your communities.

Please contact your Employment and Training Consultant (ETC) if you have additional questions or require clarification.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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