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**Workforce Development Agency (WDA)**  
**Policy Issuance (PI): 14-16, Change 1**

**Date:** October 15, 2015

**To:** Michigan Works! Agency (MWA) Directors

**From:** Joe Billig, Director, Office of Talent Policy and Planning  
Workforce Development Agency

**Subject:** Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA) Pilot Program for Select MWAs

**Programs**

**Affected:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 REA Pilot Program

**Rescissions:** None

**References:** Unemployment Insurance Program Letter No. 10-14, issued April 7, 2014  
Unemployment Insurance Program Letter No. 13-14, Change 1, issued July 11, 2014  
Michigan Employment Security Act  
Wagner-Peyser (WP) Act of 1933, as amended by the Workforce Investment Act (WIOA) of 2014

**Background:** The REA pilot program has been extended to December 31, 2015.

On April 7, 2014, Unemployment Insurance (UI) Program Letter No.10-14 invited State Workforce Agencies to submit proposals to be considered for funding in support of an REA pilot program. The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) Unemployment Insurance Agency (UIA) submitted a proposal, developed by both the UIA and WDA, to the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) on August 27, 2014, to operate an REA Pilot Program.



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The five MWAs identified by the WDA for participation in this pilot during FY 2015 are Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works!, West Michigan Works!, Michigan Works! Southwest, Northwest Michigan Council of Governments, and Southeast Michigan Community Alliance. The goal of this program is to return claimants to the workforce sooner than the current average of 14 weeks.

Each of the participating MWAs will be funded based on completing 1,800 REA activities between the dates of January 8, 2015 and December 31, 2015.

**Policy:** REAs and reemployment services will not be scheduled to occur after December 31, 2015.

### **Allocations and Funding**

**Action:** Funding for each MWA is based on completing 1,800 REAs by December 31, 2015. Scheduled REAs will be funded at \$82.92. An updated Budget Information Summary (BIS) must be completed to reflect the program date extension of December 31, 2015. Allocations will remain the same. The BIS template is attached.

Submit the BIS to the Welfare Reform/Wagner Peyser e-mail at [WDA-WR-WP@michigan.gov](mailto:WDA-WR-WP@michigan.gov) within 30 days of the issuance of this policy.

All other requirements of WDA PI: 14-16, dated December 22, 2014, remain in effect.

**Inquiries:** Questions regarding this policy issuance should be directed to Brian Marcotte, Welfare Reform and Wagner-Peyser Manager at (517) 241-2475 or [marcotteb1@michigan.gov](mailto:marcotteb1@michigan.gov).

**Expiration Date:** December 31, 2015

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**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AGENCY-REEMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY  
ASSESSMENT  
BUDGET INFORMATION SUMMARY (BIS)  
General Instructions**

**SECTION I – Identification Information**

1. Michigan Works! Agency (MWA) Name: Enter the MWA name.
2. MWA Number: Enter the number assigned to the MWA.
3. Program Title: Enter the program title. “Unemployment Insurance Agency-Reemployment Eligibility Assessment Grant” has been preprinted.
4. Policy Issuance Number: Enter the appropriate policy issuance number. “14-16c1” has been preprinted.
5. Plan Period: Enter the plan period. “01-01-15 through 12-31-15” has been preprinted.
6. Grant Name: Enter the Grant Name. “FY15 UIA-REA Grant” has been preprinted.
7. Project Name: Enter the Project Name. “FY15 UIA-REA Grant” has been preprinted.

**SECTION II – Total Funds Available**

1. Program Year (PY) 2015 Allocation: Enter amount of UIA-REA Grant funds allocated for PY 2015.

**SECTION III – Planned Expenditures by Cost Category**

1. Program Expenses (Direct Customer Services): The MWAs will conduct up to 3 REAs for each individual claimant. The cost of each REA is \$82.92 with the REA sessions not exceeding 2 hours, which includes all administrative services (planning, preparing, delivering and reporting). These costs are directly associated with providing the minimum core services to UIA claimants.
2. Program Start-Up Expenses: Each MWA will be provided \$3,449 for start-up costs for planning and training staff.
3. Total Planned Expenditures: Enter the sum of lines 1 and 2.

**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AGENCY-REEEMPLOYMENT AND ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT  
BUDGET INFORMATION SUMMARY (BIS)**

**SECTION I – IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION**

1. Michigan Works! Agency (MWA):	2. MWA Number:
3. Program Title:  UIA-REA Grant	
4. Policy Issuance Number:  14-16c1	5. Plan Period:  01-01-15 through 12-31-15
6. Grant Name:  AY15 UIA-REA Grant	7. Project Name:  AY15 UIA-REA Grant

**SECTION II – TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE**

Funding Source: UIA-REA Grant	Amount
1. Program Year (FY) 2015 Allocation	\$

**SECTION III – PLANNED EXPENDITURES BY COST CATEGORY**

Cost Categories	Amounts
1. Program Expenses (1,800 REAs x \$82.92/REA)	\$
2. Program Start Up Expenses	\$
3. Total Planned Expenditures	\$

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**Unemployment Insurance Agency – Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment Grant  
FY 2015 Allocation Table**

<b>Michigan Works! Agency</b>	<b>Total Allocation Received</b>
West Michigan Works!	\$152,705
Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works!	\$152,706
Michigan Works! Southwest	\$152,705
Northwest Michigan Council of Governments	\$152,706
Southeast Michigan Community Alliance (SEMCA) Michigan Works!	\$152,705
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$763,527</b>