

Provision of Reasonable Accommodation, Reasonable Modification, and Auxiliary Aids and Services to Persons with Disabilities

Purpose:

To ensure customers with disabilities are afforded the same opportunities, streamlined services and universally accessible services.

Overview:

This policy, applies to individuals with disabilities with regard to aid, benefits, services, and training offered by West Central WI One Stop Career Centers (WCW One Stop Centers) and will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities who utilize center services unless providing the accommodation would cause undue hardship.

This policy encompasses:

- All WIOA required services and all other mandated, federally funded programs
- All mandated, federally funded WIOA/other partner programs operating in the WCW One Stop Center
- Continuous Quality Improvement that ensures the WCW One Stop Center and its programs remain legally compliant and universally accessible
- WCW One Stop Center 's oversight responsibilities with non-mandated partners providing services out of the WCW One Stop Center
- WCW One Stop Center's oversight responsibilities with private business using a WCW One Stop Center for recruiting

Responsibility of:

All WCW One Stop Center Staff

Clarification of Reasonable Accommodation:

1.0 REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION, REASONABLE MODIFICATION, AND AUXILIARY AIDS AND SERVICES

Accommodations, modification, providing effective communication, and auxiliary aids and services will hereinafter be referred to as "accommodations".

1.1 NOTICE OF THE AVAILABILITY and RIGHT TO RECEIVE REASONABLE ACCOMODATIONS

The WCW One Stop Center will post notice of the availability of reasonable accommodations. This notice is directed to all users, seeking services within the center.

1.2 AUXILIARY AIDS AND SERVICES

Taking steps to ensure effective communication: WCW One Stop Center personnel will take steps to ensure that communications with individuals with disabilities are as effective as communications with others.

Furnishing Auxiliary aids and services: WCW One Stop Center personnel will furnish appropriate auxiliary aids and services where necessary to afford individuals with disabilities an equal opportunity to participate in, and enjoy the benefits of services offered through WIOA or other programs. Attachment A identifies auxiliary aids and/or services for individuals with disabilities. Not all may be available at the Job Center. This document may be used to identify aids and/or services needed to provide equal opportunity in programs and services.

Providing appropriate signage: WCW One Stop Center personnel will ensure that interested individuals can obtain information as to the existence or location of accessible services, activities, and facilities, including the provision of appropriate signage at the primary entrances to its inaccessible facilities.

The Process Description:

1.3 RECEIVING REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

When a person with a disability makes a request for a reasonable accommodation to any WCW One Stop Center representative, the representative is required to respond to that request. WCW One Stop Center personnel will ask the customer to complete an Accommodation Request form (located at the front desk in the Resource Folder or on the W Drive, Equal Rights Resources, Accommodations) and self identify the area of assistance that is needed. The staff person will respond accordingly or refer to the appropriate staff to meet the customers need(s).

Request for accommodations, modifications, and/or effective communication are requests that include the following two elements:

1. A request for an adjustment or assistance; and
2. An indication that the request might be related to a medical condition or disability.

A request can be made after a customer has already begun to receive the services for which the accommodation is requested. Requests may also be made by a third party such as a relative, friend, counselor or job coach. This is particularly likely when a customer's disability might make it difficult for the individual to make the request independently. However, staff must directly verify with the customer is in agreement with the request.

1.4 INQUIRIES ABOUT DISABILITY

If it appears that a qualified individual with a disability may need an accommodation, staff may ask the individual if he or she can participate in a specific aid, benefit, service, or training with or without an accommodation. The individual's response must determine the Center's actions. If the individual indicates that an accommodation is not needed, no further inquiries about the disability may be made. An individual is not required to accept an accommodation, aid, benefit, service, training or opportunity that the individual chooses not to accept. If an accommodation is offered but denied, log denied accommodation on Accommodation Log.

1.5 REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION / MODIFICATION TO SERVICE DELIVERY

WCW One Stop Center staff will provide appropriate assistance to individuals with disabilities so that they can effectively benefit from WIOA/other mandated program services. In order to ensure that individuals with disabilities have the same opportunity to benefit from services that are as effective as those provided to non-disabled customers, modifications may be made to how services are accessed, registration process, etc.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITIES OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND ONE STOP PERSONNEL TO PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS, MODIFICATIONS AND AUXILIARY AIDS AND SERVICES

The WCW One Stop Center personnel will be able to communicate the responsibilities of both the staff and the qualified individual with a disability and act accordingly in collecting information in order to provide accommodations.

2.1 NOTICE OF NEED FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

A qualified individual with a disability seeking reasonable accommodations, modifications, auxiliary aids and services must inform WCW One Stop Center personnel on a timely basis of a need for such

accommodation and must submit, upon request, to the WCW One Stop Center any reasonable and necessary medical documentation (see 3.0 below).

2.2 NOTICE OF RIGHT TO FILE A GRIEVANCE/COMPLAINT

Individuals who believe that they have been discriminated against because the WCW One Stop Center failed to provide accommodations/modifications may file a complaint with the Equal Opportunity Coordinator, Kathy Talford, at 855-792-5439.

2.3 WORKSOURCE PREPAREDNESS TO RESPOND

WCW One Stop Center personnel must be informed on how to proceed if an accommodation is requested.

2.4 UNDUE HARDSHIP

Requests that cannot be provided or which are believed to pose an undue burden or fundamental alteration must be reviewed by the EO Coordinator or Executive level designee. The EO Coordinator or Executive level designee are the only persons with authority to determine undue hardship/fundamental alteration on behalf of the WCW One Stop Center. The EO Coordinator or Executive level designee can make the decision that the accommodation would result in undue hardship/fundamental alteration only after considering all factors listed in the federal regulations (29 CFR 37.4).

2.5 WRITTEN STATEMENT OF DENIAL

A written statement of the reasons for reaching these conclusions will accompany the decision that an accommodation would result in undue hardship/fundamental alteration. The WCW One Stop Center will provide a copy of the statement of reasons to the individual who requested the accommodation, modification, auxiliary aid or service. The statement will be mailed within 10 working days of the request to the person and address identified on the Accommodation Request form.

3.0 DOCUMENTATION OF REQUESTS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMODATIONS/ VERIFYING A DISABILITY

Requesting documentation for a disability can be an impediment to expedient and customer friendly service and therefore should usually be avoided.

Documentation of a disability underlying a request for an accommodation should not be requested when:

1. The request for accommodation falls within the range of adjustments that staff would normally make in providing good customer service for any WCW One Stop Center customer.
2. The disability is apparent.

However, there are some instances when such documentation may be necessary.

Documentation of the disability underlying a request for an accommodation may be appropriate when:

1. The disability is not apparent AND the accommodation requested could be of benefit to an individual who does not have a disability.
2. There is reason to suspect an individual may be attempting to abuse the reasonable accommodation/modification/effective communication process to disrupt or harass the program.
3. The connection between the disability and the accommodation requested is unclear.

Workforce Resource Inc. is an Equal Opportunity employer and service provider functioning under an Affirmative Action Plan. If you have a disability and need assistance to access services or need information in an alternative format, including language assistance or translation, contact our EO Officer, Kathy Talford at 1-855-792-5439 or call through Wisconsin Relay Service 711 (800-947-3529).

Auxiliary Aids or Services



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This access symbol indicates access for individuals who lack either partial or complete visual ability.



Symbol of Wheelchair Accessibility

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Audio Description

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With the use of headphones or a surround-sound stereo, the concerned individual can listen to detailed audio commentary or narration of the visual production, as rendered by a trained audio describer.



Telephone Typewriter

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Volume Control Telephone

This symbol indicates the availability of a telephone with adjustable handset volumes or the ability to amplify sound. It is primarily of use to individuals with hearing impairments.



Assistive Listening Systems

This image is a symbol of an assistive listening system. These systems help transmit sounds to audibly impaired individuals through the use of headsets or hearing aids, and may include infrared systems, loop systems, and FM systems.



Sign Language Interpretation

The symbol indicates the availability of an interpreter at the venue who could help the audibly impaired to understand the proceedings by interpreting the proceeding into sign language.



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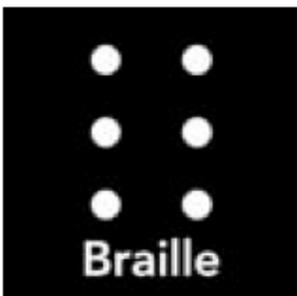
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