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#	REVISED QUESTION	NOTES
	ABOUT WHAT YOU DO	HOTES
SL1	What are the roles and responsibilities of the DEI State Lead?	
SL2	What are the roles and responsibilities of the DRC?	
SL3	What are the differences between the roles of the DPN and the DRC?	Only for state/LWIB that still have Disability Program Navigators (DPNs)
SL4	Describe the interaction between the DEI state lead and the DRCs. PROBES: How do they work together for the benefit of customers with disabilities? What is the nature and frequency of their collaborations? (3rd year) How has this evolved over the project period?	
	ON BECOMING AN EN	
SL5	Walk me through the process of your DEI site(s) becoming (an) EN(s). What was difficult? Why? What was easy? Why?	Only for states that had non-EN sites.
SL6	Is there any thing in particular that helped you through the EN application process?	Only for states that had non-EN sites.
SL7	What challenges, if any, does the One-Stop experience in participating in Ticket To Work?	
	ABOUT PARTNERSHIPS	
SL8	What partnerships and collaborations that supported the employment of people with disabilities, existed in your state prior to DEI? PROBE: Describe the involvement of stakeholders, partners, and collaborators and how they helped shape the services provided.	
SL9	Since DEI began, what partnerships have been developed? PROBE: Required WIA partners? State and local programs/agencies? Faith-based and community organizations?	
SL10	How does the region define who is a partner? PROBE: what about less traditional partners, like Medicaid, small business development centers, work incentive coordinators for Social Security, economic development programs, etc.	

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SL11	Are there mechanisms in place at the state-level that stimulate or provide an incentive for partnerships collaboration or teamwork?	
SL12	Have the partners changed over time? Why?	Not for year 1.
SL13	What are the challenges the workforce system encounters in collaborating with other agencies? PROBE: w/ general assistance agencies (transportation, housing, etc.)? w/ local workforce development agencies (e.g. community college work initiatives, Job Corps, etc.)? w/ disability-specific agencies? SUBQUESTION: How have these challenges been addressed?	
SL14	How much are the VR agencies integrated with the LWIB and one-stop centers? PROBES: Are they colocated? Is there a full time VR staff member on-site? How is co-enrollment handled?	
SL15	How has the initiative improved the coordination and delivery of services and the level of alignment between agencies and service providers?	Not year 1.
SL16	How have the partnerships been coordinated to ensure sustainability now that the funding will be ending? PROBE: Sharing, leveraging, of expertise and funds.	Not year 1.
SL17	What elements of this collaboration will extend beyond the life of the grant? SUBQUESTION: What have you done to ensure that these elements are sustained?	Not year 1.
	ABOUT STRUCTURE & POLICIES	
SL18	Does the state Workforce Investment Agency have any policies that specifically impact the implementation of DEI? SUBQUESTION: What are they and how do they affect DEI?	
SL19	Do the LWIBs have any policies that specifically impact the implementation of DEI? SUBQUESTION: What are they and how do they affect DEI?	

SL20	Describe any structural changes (i.e., organizational structure, policies, and procedures) that are being made or should be made to improve service delivery and integration under DEI.	Not year 1.
	LEVERAGING RESOURCES	
SL21	How are you leveraging resources and being creative with your funding to improve your services for CWDs? PROBES: Blending and braidingsystems leveragedamount/type of funds/resources? What are the possibilities for (for example) leveraging technology resources (tech act programs, revolving funds) or transportation (state transportationunited we ride)etc.?	
SL22	What are some of the lessons you've learned about leveraging your resources? What has worked? What has not worked?	
SL23	How do IRTs facilitate services for CWDs across your multiple service delivery systems? SUBQUESTIONS: What challenges have IRTs helped address? In what ways have IRTs contributed to the leveraging of resources?	Not for year 1. Relevant to states using BOTH the IRT and B&B strategies only.
	SERVING CWDs	
SL24	What are the unique challenges of serving youth with disabilities? PROBE: those in the foster system? Juvenile Justice system?	
SL25	What programs and/or services were offered to people with disabilities prior to the DEI project? PROBES: Benefits Counseling, ticket to work, customized employment, DPN (how many? How long? roles?	
SL26	Before DEI did your WIB/LWIBs employ any of the seven strategies outlined in the SGA? SUBQUESTIONS: What were they? Which of the seven strategies were chosen to implement for DEI and why were they chosen?	

SL27	What services and strategies that haven't been covered are used by DEI grantees to help CWD improve their employability, or become employed? PROBE: Transportation, on-the-job training, apprenticeship, self-employment, customized employment etc.	
SL28	How are social and professional networks for youth identified and developed? PROBES: How are they engaged? How are the youth involved in this process?	Talked about dropping or getting clarification
SL29	How do you monitor One-Stops' compliance with Section 188? SUBQUESTIONS: What systems are in place to monitor physical, programmatic, and communications accessibility (e.g. compliance with Section 188)? What role does the EEO Officer have in this process? What are ways that DEI sites have incorporated universal design?	
SL30	What kind of outreach has been done to potential customers with disabilities?	
SL31	Do you have any reports, proposals, self- evaluations, or examples of products we can have? PROBE: Including reports on outreach efforts?	This information should be accessible from Quarterly reports

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	ABOUT WHAT YOU DO	
DRC1	What are the challenges that you encounter with serving CWDs? How are these challenges handled?	Could be a good opening question so OK if it is a little generic
DRC2	Could you walk me through some of your main responsibilities? What does your day consist of? PROBES: What kinds of workshops and other educational activities (e.g. financial literacy, asset development, employment related training, skill-development, job seeking, benefits eligibility) do you coordinate for the LWIB(s)? How do you coordinate services for CWDs? How do other One-Stop staff help coordinate services? How do you and other One-Stop staff help CWDs with taking advantage of employment and educational opportunities?	
DRC3	What are the differences between the roles of the DPN and the Disability Resource Coordinator (DRC)?	Only for state/LWIB that still have Disability Program Navigators (DPNs)
DRC4	Describe the interaction between the DEI state lead and the DRCs. PROBES: How do they work together for the benefit of clients with disabilities? What is the nature and frequency of their collaborations? (3rd year) How has this evolved over the project period?	
	ON BECOMING AN EN	
DRC5	Walk me through the process of your DEI site(s) becoming (an) EN(s). What was difficult? Why? What was easy? Why?	Only for states that had non-EN sites.
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DRC6	becoming (an) EN(s). What was difficult? Why? What was easy? Why? Is there any thing in particular that helped you through the EN application process? What challenges, if any, does the One-Stop	Sites. Only for states that had non-EN
DRC6	becoming (an) EN(s). What was difficult? Why? What was easy? Why? Is there any thing in particular that helped you through the EN application process? What challenges, if any, does the One-Stop experience in participating in Ticket To Work?	Sites. Only for states that had non-EN
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DRC12	What partnerships and collaborations that supported the employment of people with disabilities, existed at the LWIB prior to DEI? PROBE: Describe the involvement of stakeholders, partners, and collaborators and how they helped shape the services provided.	
DRC13	Since DEI began, what partnerships have been developed? PROBE: Required WIA partners? State and local programs/agencies, faith-based and community organizations?	
DRC14	How does the region define who is a partner? PROBE: what about less traditional partners, like Medicaid, small business development centers, work incentive coordinators for Social Security, economic development programs, etc.	
DRC15	Are there mechanisms in place at the state-level that stimulate or provide an incentive for partnerships collaboration or teamwork?	
DRC16	Have the partners changed over time? Why?	Not for year 1.
DRC17	What impact has do your partnerships have on serving CWDs who are co-enrolled with WIA?	
DRC18	What are the challenges LWIBs encounter in collaborating with other agencies? PROBES: w/ general assistance agencies (transportation, housing, etc.)? w/ local workforce development agencies (e.g. community college work initiatives, Job Corps, etc.)? w/ disability-specific agencies? SUBQUESTION: How have these challenges been addressed?	
DRC19	How do DRCs or other staff engage the school systems and incorporate their learning plans into the VR services they provide youth with disabilities?	
DRC20	How much are VR agencies integrated with the LWIB and one-stop centers? PROBES: Are they co-located? Is there a full time VR staff member onsite? How is co-enrollment handled?	
DRC21	How has the initiative improved the coordination and delivery of services and the level of alignment between agencies and service providers?	Not year 1.
DRC22	How have the partnerships been coordinated to ensure sustainability now that the funding will be ending? PROBE: Sharing, leveraging, of expertise and funds.	Not year 1.
DRC23	What elements of this collaboration will extend beyond the life of the grant? SUBQUESTION: What have you done to ensure that these elements are sustained?	Not year 1.
	LEVERAGING RESOURCES	

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DRC24	How are you leveraging resources and being creative with your funding to improve your services for CWDs? PROBES: Blending and braidingsystems leveragedamount/type of funds/resources? What are the possibilities for (for example) leveraging technology resources (tech act programs, revolving funds) or transportation (state transportationunited we ride)etc.?	
DRC25	What are some of the lessons you've learned about leveraging your resources? What has worked?	
DRC26	How do IRTs facilitate services for CWDs across your multiple service delivery systems? SUBQUESTIONS: What challenges have IRTs helped address? In what ways have IRTs contributed to the leveraging of resources?	Not for year 1. Relevant to states using BOTH the IRT and B&B strategies only.
DRC27	How have you and the One-Stop staff used the DEI TA Center? SUBQUESTIONS: What has been helpful about the DEI TA Center? What do you think could be improved?	
	SERVING CWDs	
DRC28	What are the unique challenges of serving youth with disabilities? PROBES: those in the foster system? Juvenile Justice system?	
DRC29	How do DRCs and other staff involve family members and others in the service process? PROBES: What is the nature of their involvement?	
DRC30	What programs and/or services were offered to people with disabilities prior to the DEI project? PROBES: Benefits Counseling, ticket to work, customized employment, DPN (how many? How long? roles?	
DRC31	Before DEI did your WIB/LWIBs employ any of the seven strategies outlined in the SGA? SUBQUESTIONS: What were they? Which of the seven strategies were chosen to implement for DEI and why were they chosen?	
DRC32	What services and strategies that haven't been covered are used by DEI grantees to help CWD improve their employability, or become employed? PROBE: Transportation, on-the-job training, apprenticeship, self-employment, customized employment etc.	
DRC33	What trainings did you, other DRCs, Case Managers, and other One-Stop staff complete that relate to the implementation of DEI and working with CWDs? SUBQUESTIONS: Were any of these sponsored by NDI? What other ways did staff prepare for the implementation of DEI?	

DEI Question Matrix - DRC Questions

DRC34	Describe the customer intake process. In what way has the project changed the intake process at the One-Stop Career Center? PROBE: new materials, forms, VR's role in intake? SUBQUESTION: Will these changes be made permanent? How?	Only ask to DRCs who work on the local level.
DRC35	How are customers' disability-related service needs identified? By whom? SUBQUESTION: Is there anything you do to encourage someone to disclose their disability?	
DRC36	How do DRCs and other One-Stop staff work with customers with disabilities in exploring their vocational options, assessing their existing occupational skills, training needs, and job seeking skills?	
DRC37	How are social and professional networks for youth identified and developed? PROBE: How are they engaged? How are the youth involved in this process?	Talked about dropping or getting clarification
DRC38	How do you monitor One-Stops' compliance with Section 188? SUBQUESTIONS: What systems are in place to monitor physical, programmatic, and communications accessibility (e.g. compliance with Section 188)? What role does the EEO Officer have in this process? What are ways that DEI sites have incorporated universal design?	
DRC39	What kind of outreach has been done to potential customers with disabilities?	
DRC40	Which services do you think are most effective for CWDs? SUBQUESTION: Why?	
DRC41	Do you have any reports, proposals, self- evaluations, or examples of products we can have? PROBE: Including reports on outreach efforts?	This information should be accessible from Quarterly reports

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	ABOUT WHAT YOU DO	
WIB1	How does your role in the DEI initiative mesh with the State Lead's role and the DRC's role?	
	ON BECOMING AN EN	
WIB2	Walk me through the process of your DEI site(s) becoming (an) EN(s). What was difficult? Why? What was easy? Why?	Only for states that had non-EN sites.
WIB3	Is there any thing in particular that helped you through the EN application process?	Only for states that had non-EN sites.
WIB4	What challenges, if any, does the One-Stop experience in participating in Ticket To Work?	
	ABOUT PARTNERSHIPS	
WIB5	What partnerships and collaborations that supported the employment of people with disabilities, existed at the LWIB prior to DEI? PROBE: Describe the involvement of stakeholders, partners, and collaborators and how they helped shape the services provided.	
WIB6	Since DEI began, what partnerships have been developed? PROBE: Required WIA partners? State and local programs/agencies? Faith-based and community organizations?	
WIB7	How does the region define who is a partner? PROBE: what about less traditional partners, like Medicaid, small business development centers, work incentive coordinators for Social Security, economic development programs, etc.	
WIB8	Are there any mechanisms in place that stimulate or provide an incentive for partnerships collaboration or teamwork? SUBQUESTION: Please describe.	
WIB9	Have the partners changed over time? Why?	Not for year 1.
WIB10	What are the challenges LWIBs encounter in collaborating with other agencies? PROBES: w/ general assistance agencies (transportation, housing, etc.)? w/ local workforce development agencies (e.g. community college work initiatives, Job Corps, etc.)? w/ disability-specific agencies? SUBQUESTION: How have these challenges been addressed?	
WIB11	How do DRCs or other staff engage the school systems and incorporate their learning plans into the VR services they provide youth with disabilities?	
WIB12	How much are the VR agencies integrated with the LWIB and one-stop centers? PROBES: Are they colocated? Is there a full time VR staff member on-site? How is co-enrollment handled?	

WIB13		
	How has the initiative improved the coordination and delivery of services and the level of alignment between agencies and service providers?	Not year 1.
WIB14	How have the partnerships been coordinated to ensure sustainability now that the funding will be ending? PROBE: Sharing, leveraging, of expertise and funds.	Not year 1.
WIB15	What elements of this collaboration will extend beyond the life of the grant? SUBQUESTION: What have you done to ensure that these elements are sustained?	Not year 1.
	ABOUT STRUCTURE & POLICIES	
WIB16	Does the state Workforce Investment Agency have	
WIB17	Do the LWIBs have any policies that specifically impact the implementation of DEI? SUBQUESTION: What are they and how do they affect DEI?	
WIB18	Describe any structural changes (i.e., organizational structure, policies, and procedures) that are being made or should be made to improve service delivery and integration under DEI.	Not year 1.
	LEVERAGING RESOURCES	
WIB19	How are you leveraging resources and being creative with your funding to improve your services for CWDs? PROBES: Blending and braidingsystems leveragedamount/type of funds/resources? What are the possibilities for (for example) leveraging technology resources (tech act programs, revolving funds) or transportation (state transportationunited we ride)etc.?	
WIB20	What are some of the lessons you've learned about leveraging your resources? What has worked? What has not worked?	
WIB21	How do IRTs facilitate services for CWDs across your multiple service delivery systems? SUBQUESTIONS: What challenges have IRTs helped address? In what ways have IRTs contributed to the leveraging of resources?	Not for year 1. Relevant to states using BOTH the IRT and B&B strategies only.
	How have you used the DEI TA Center? SUBQUESTIONS: What has been helpful about the DEI TA Center? What do you think could be	
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DEI Question Matrix - WIB Director

WIB24	What programs and/or services were offered to people with disabilities prior to the DEI project? PROBES: Benefits Counseling, ticket to work, customized employment, DPN (how many? How long? roles?	
WIB25	Before DEI did your WIB/LWIBs employ any of the seven strategies outlined in the SGA? SUBQUESTIONS: What were they? Which of the seven strategies were chosen to implement for DEI and why were they chosen?	
WIB26	What services and strategies that haven't been covered are used by DEI grantees to help CWD improve their employability, or become employed? PROBE: Transportation, on-the-job training, apprenticeship, self-employment, customized employment etc.	
WIB27	How do you monitor One-Stops' compliance with Section 188? SUBQUESTIONS: What systems are in place to monitor physical, programmatic, and communications accessibility (e.g. compliance with Section 188)? What role does the EEO Officer have in this process? What are ways that DEI sites have incorporated universal design?	
WIB28	Have you generated any reports, proposals, or self- evaluations of the efficacy of your outreach efforts? SUBQUESTION: How can we get copies of these?	
WIB29	Do you have any reports, proposals, self- evaluations, or examples of products we can have? PROBE: Including reports on outreach efforts?	This information should be accessible from Quarterly reports

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	ABOUT WHAT YOU DO	
1SM1	What are the challenges that your One-Stop encounters in serving CWDs? How have you tried to resolve these challenges?	
1SM2	Before DEI, what challenges did you face related to starting programs and partners? Related to leveraging resources?	
1SM3	Since DEI began, what challenges have you faced related to starting programs and partners? Related to leveraging resources?	
1SM4	How do the DEI State Lead and DRC(s) support your efforts?	
1SM5	What trainings did you and your One-Stop staff complete that relate to the implementation of DEI and working with CWDs? SUBQUESTIONS: Were any of these sponsored by NDI? What other ways did staff prepare for the implementation of DEI?	
	ABOUT STRUCTURE & POLICIES	
1SM6	What challenges, if any, has your One-Stop faced in participating in Ticket To Work?	
1SM7	Does the state Workforce Investment Agency have any policies that specifically impact the implementation of DEI? SUBQUESTIONS: What are they and how do they affect DEI?	
1SM8	Does your LWIB have any policies that specifically impact the implementation of DEI? SUBQUESTIONS: What are they and how do they and how do they affect DEI?	
1SM9	How is the DEI program being communicated to One-Stop staff, mandated partners, job seekers?	
1SM10	Describe any structural changes (i.e., organizational structure, policies, and procedures) that are being made or should be made to improve service delivery and integration under DEI.	Not year 1.
	ABOUT PARTNERSHIPS	
1SM11	What partnerships and collaborations that supported the employment of people with disabilities, existed here prior to DEI? PROBE: Describe the involvement of stakeholders, partners, and collaborators and how they helped shape the services provided.	
1SM12	Since DEI began, what partnerships have been developed? PROBE: Required WIA partners? State and local programs/agencies, faith-based and community organizations?	

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1SM13	How does the region define who is a partner? PROBE: what about less traditional partners, like Medicaid, small business development centers, work incentive coordinators for Social Security, economic development programs, etc.	
1SM14	Have the partners changed over time? Why?	Not for year 1.
1SM15	What impact has do your partnerships have on serving CWDs who are co-enrolled with WIA?	
1SM16	What are the challenges the One-Stop encounters in collaborating with other agencies? PROBE: w/ general assistance agencies (transportation, housing, etc.)? w/ local workforce development agencies (e.g. community college work initiatives, Job Corps, etc.)? w/ disability-specific agencies? SUBQUESTION: How have these challenges been addressed?	
1SM17	How much are VR agencies integrated with Center? PROBES: Are they co-located? Is there a full time VR staff member on-site? How is co-enrollment handled?	
1SM18	How has the initiative improved the coordination and delivery of services and the level of alignment between agencies and service providers?	Not year 1.
1SM19	How have the partnerships been coordinated to ensure sustainability now that the funding will be ending? PROBE: Sharing, leveraging, of expertise and funds.	Not year 1.
1SM20	What elements of this collaboration will extend beyond the life of the grant? SUBQUESTION: What have you done to ensure that these elements are sustained?	Not year 1.
	LEVERAGING RESOURCES	
1SM21	How do IRTs facilitate services for CWDs across your multiple service delivery systems? SUBQUESTIONS: What challenges have IRTs helped address? In what ways have IRTs contributed to the leveraging of resources?	Not for year 1. Relevant to states using BOTH the IRT and B&B strategies only.
1SM22	How have you and your staff used the DEI TA Center? SUBQUESTIONS: What has been helpful about the DEI TA Center? What do you think could be improved?	
	SERVING CWDs	
1SM23	What are the unique challenges of serving youth with disabilities? PROBE: those in the foster system? Juvenile Justice system?	
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1SM24	How do DRCs and other staff involve family members and others in the service process? PROBES: What is the nature of their involvement?	
1SM25	What programs and/or services were offered to people with disabilities prior to the DEI project? PROBE: Benefits Counseling, ticket to work, customized employment, DPN (how many? How long? roles?	
1SM26	What services and strategies are now used by DEI grantees to help CWD improve their employability, or become employed? PROBE: Transportation, on-the-job training, apprenticeship, self-employment, customized employment etc.	
1SM27	How do you monitor One-Stops' compliance with Section 188? SUBQUESTIONS: What systems are in place to monitor physical, programmatic, and communications accessibility (e.g. compliance with Section 188)? What role does the EEO Officer have in this process? What are ways that DEI sites have incorporated universal design?	
1SM28	What kind of outreach has been done to potential customers with disabilities?	
1SM29	Which services do you think are most effective for CWDs? SUBQUESTION: Why?	
1SM30	Do you have any reports, proposals, self- evaluations, or examples of products we can have? PROBE: Including reports on outreach efforts?	This information should be accessible from Quarterly reports

DEI Question Matrix - One-Stop Staff Questions

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	ABOUT WHAT YOU DO	
1551	Could you walk me through some of your main responsibilities? What does your day consist of? PROBE: What kinds of workshops and other educational activities (e.g. financial literacy, asset development, employment related training, skill-development, job seeking, benefits eligibility) do you participate in? How do you coordinate services for CWDs? How does your work overlap with other One-Stop staff? How do you and other One-Stop staff help CWDs with taking advantage of employment and educational opportunities?	
1SS2	What are the challenges that you encounter with serving CWDs? How are these challenges handled?	Could be a good opening question so OK if it is a little generic
1SS3	What are the unique challenges of serving youth with disabilities? PROBE: those in the foster system? Juvenile Justice system?	
1554	Describe the client intake process. In what way did the project change the intake process at the One-Stop Career Center (e.g., new materials, forms, VR's role in intake)? Will these changes be made permanent? How?	
1555	How are disability-related service needs identified? By whom? SUBQUESTION: Is there anything you do to encourage someone to disclose their disability?	
1886	How do you involve family members and others in the service process? PROBE: What is the nature of their involvement?	
1557	How do you work with customers with disabilities in exploring their vocational options, assessing their existing occupational skills, training needs, and job seeking skills?	
1SS8	How are social and professional networks for youth identified and developed? PROBE: How are they engaged? How are the youth involved in this process?	
1SS9	What approaches does the One-Stop employ to reach out to CWDs?	
	ABOUT STRUCTURE & POLICIES	
15510	How are the One Stop staff being informed about the DEI changes or implementation?	
15511	What trainings did One-Stop staff complete that relate to the implementation of DEI and working with CWDs? SUBQUESTIONS: Were any of these sponsored by NDI? In what other ways did you prepare for DEI?	
1SS12	What challenges have you and other One-Stop staff had in implementing DEI?	
18813	Are there any LWIB policies that impact the implementation of DEI? SUBQUESTION: What are they? How do they impact the implementation?	

DEI Question Matrix - One-Stop Staff Questions

15514	What are the challenges do you encounter in collaborating with other agencies? PROBE: w/ general assistance agencies (transportation, housing, etc.)? w/ local workforce development agencies (e.g. community college work initiatives, Job Corps, etc.)? w/ disability-specific agencies? SUBQUESTION: How have these challenges been addressed?	
1SS15	How do DRCs or other staff engage the school systems and incorporate their learning plans into the VR services they provide youth with disabilities?	
18816	Which services do you think are most effective for CWDs? SUBQUESTION: Why?	
1SS17	How have you used the DEI TA Center? SUBQUESTIONS: What has been helpful about the DEI TA Center? What do you think could be improved?	

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	ABOUT WHAT YOU DO	
PA1	What are the challenges that you encounter with serving CWDs? How are these challenges handled?	Could be a good opening question so OK if it is a little generic
PA2	What are the unique challenges of serving youth with disabilities? PROBE: Those in the foster system? Juvenile Justice system?	
PA3	What type of services and or supports does your organization provide to assist customers with disabilities in obtaining and retaining employment (e.g. on-the-job training, apprenticeship, self-employment, customized employment etc.)?	
PA4	Has DEI changed the services you provide or the way you work with people with disabilities?	Changed for relevance
	ABOUT PARTNERSHIPS	
PA5	How would you define "being a partner" with the DEI site/LWIB(s)?	
PA6	Describe how you came to be a collaborative partner in the DEI project? PROBE: How was the partnership developed and formalized/not formalized?	
PA7	What is the nature of the relationship between your agency and the LWIB/One Stop? PROBES: What is the extent to which your agency is integrated into the LWIB/One-Stop centers? Describe how co-enrollment is handled.	
PA8	How are changes in strategies and service processes being communicated to the One-Stop Career Center staff, mandated partners, other systems, and job seekers?	
PA9	How are services for CWDs coordinated between your agency and the One-Stop(s)? PROBES: What does the process typically look like? Are customers referred to you? Co-enrolled?	
PA10	What are the challenges that you and your agency staff have encountered with the partnership? SUBQUESTION: How has your agency and the One-Stop staff tried to resolve these challenges?	
PA11	How does being in partnership with the One- Stop(s) change your agency's order of business? PROBE: In what ways have your agency's procedures changed as a result of working with the One-Stop(s)?	

PA12	Are there any policies in your agency or the One Stop that have hindered the partnership? SUBQUESTION: Have there been any efforts to resolve this?	
PA13	How are disability-related service needs identified? By whom? SUBQUESTION: Is there anything you do to encourage someone to disclose their disability?	
PA14	How do you think the relationship between your agency and the LWIB/One-Stop has impacted amount or quality of services for your CWDs?	
PA15	Which DEI services do you think are most effective for CWDs? SUBQUESTION: Why?	
PA16	Describe any structural changes (i.e., organizational structure, policies, and procedures) that are being made or should be made to improve service delivery and integration under DEI.	
PA17	How has your partnership with the LWIB(s) changed over time? What were the reasons for the changes?	Not in year 1.
PA18	How have the developed or preexisting partnerships been coordinated so as to ensure sustainability now that the funding will be ending? PROBE: on sharing, leveraging, and exploitation of expertise and funds.	Later site visit
PA19	What elements of this collaboration will extend beyond the life of the grant? What have you done to ensure that these elements are sustained?	Later site visit

DEI Question Matrix - State Employer Questions

#	REVISED QUESTION	NOTES
E1	What services or interaction did you have with your local WIB or one-stops prior to DEI?	Changed for relevance.
E2	What are the challenges your company has encountered working with people with disabilities?	
E3	What are the unique challenges of serving youth with disabilities? PROBE: those in the foster system? Juvenile Justice system?	
E4	What is the nature of the relationship between your company and the One-Stop(s)? SUBQUESTIONS: How has this collaboration affected your business? What has been its impact/results thus far?	
E 5	What services or approaches did your local one-stop, DRC, or WIB provide to help match your company needs with potential workers with disabilities?	Changed for relevance
E6	Did the Local one-stop, DRC or WIB provide any supports or services to facilitate your hiring of, or subsequent employment of an individual with disabilities? SUBQUESTION: If so how? Please describe	Changed for relevance
E7	Describe any structural changes (i.e., organizational structure, policies, and procedures) that are being made or should be made to improve service delivery and integration under DEI.	
E8	How has your partnership with the LWIB/One-Stop enhanced your ability to employ individuals with disabilities?	
E9	What challenges has your company encountered in collaborating with the One-Stop(s)? SUBQUESTION: How have these challenges been addressed?	
E10	Which DEI services do you think are most effective for CWDs? SUBQUESTION: Why?	

DEI Question Matrix - Adult Customer Questions

#	REVISED QUESTION	NOTES
AC1	How did you hear about the DEI program? Can you describe your initial experiences coming to your local onestop?	
AC2	How do One-Stop staff help you or people you know find employment? PROBES: Exploring vocational options, assessing existing occupational skills, identifying training needs, teaching job seeking skills	
AC3	What kind of workshops and activities do they have? PROBES: Financial literacy, asset development, employment related training, skill-development, job seeking, benefits eligibility	
AC4	Please walk us through your experience when you first came to this Center. If you can, try to tell us what happened in the order of when it happened. PROBES: Describe the intake process. How did you go about getting assistance from the One-Stop Career Center?	Combined with CE question
AC5	How do One-Stop staff help determine your disability- related service needs?	WE NEED A PROMPT/EXAMPLE FOR THIS ONE.
AC6	What has been the result of your experience with this Center?	CE question
AC7	In general, are you satisfied with the help you receive from the Center?	CE question
AC8	Do you feel like you have a say in the help you received?	CE question
AC9	Which DEI services do you think are most effective for CWDs? SUBQUESTION: Why?	

DEI Question Matrix - Youth Customer Questions

#	REVISED QUESTION	NOTES
YC1	How did you hear about the DEI program? Can you describe your initial experiences coming to your local onestop?	
YC2	Please walk us through your experience when you first came to this Center. If you can, try to tell us what happened in the order of when it happened. PROBES: Describe the intake process. How did you go about getting assistance from the One-Stop Career Center?	Combined with CE question
YC3	How do One-Stop staff help you or people you know find employment? PROBES: Exploring vocational options, assessing existing occupational skills, identifying training needs, teaching job seeking skills	
YC4	What kind of workshops and activities do they have? PROBES: Financial literacy, asset development, employment related training, skill-development, job seeking, benefits eligibility, Youth Council	
YC5	Can you describe how staff addressed you and your needs upon your interest in their services? PROBES: How did they explore your career goals? Did you feel your options were evaluated adequately?	
YC6	Did you work with your one-stop to identify social and professional networks that would help you with your education or career goals?	Changed for appropriateness
YC7	How was your family involved in the services you were provided?	
YC8	What has been the result of your experience with this Center?	CE question
YC9	In general, are you satisfied with the help you receive from the Center?	CE question
YC10	Do you feel like you have a say in the help you received?	CE question
YC11	Which DEI services do you think are most effective for CWDs? SUBQUESTION: Why?	

Career Pathways Questions

A. What collaborative relationships were needed to be in place to design an

- It what ways is the existing career pathways system accessible in terr
- It what ways is it inclusive?
- In what ways does it accommodate people with disabilities?

B. Accommodations

How does the career pathways program accommodate the following grou

- At the secondary level (such as local education agencies, high school
- At the postsecondary level (such as occupational certificate programs
- With workforce agencies, business and other community stakeholder
 - O Workforce Investment Board(s) and local job centers
 - o Secondary Education staff;
 - o Adult Basic Education providers
 - O Transitional Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)providers and
 - o Economic Development agencies
 - O Business/Employer representative(s)
 - o Vocational Rehabilitation specialists
 - o Other community-based organizations
 - o State agencies:
- State Departments of Labor
- Adult Basic and Postsecondary Education
- Economic Development
- Human Services
- Rehabilitation
- Corrections/Juvenile Justice
- Mental Health
- Intellectual/Development Disabilities

o Other Stakeholders/Services

- Medicaid
- Social Security/Ticket to Work Employment Networks
- Transportation
- Housing
- Registered apprenticeship programs
- Asset development entities
- Carl D. Perkins Act providers
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) providers
- Are there written agreements that clearly define the agreed upon roles and 1
- Has a leadership or steering committee for the DEI collaborative partnershi

PROBE: Please describe the structure of this committee, or alternative governa

PROBE: Who are the specific sector/industry partners for your DEI career pa

C. Service Delivery

What role does the Disability Resource Coordinator(s) play in the context of the What role does the DEI State Lead play in the context of the career pathway str. What steps or supports are in place to follow the individual through the various How are the stakeholders, including the American Job Centers, involved in assi **PROBE:** In what ways do they provide comprehensive support that leads to enter there specific strategies or supports being used, such as the following:

- Integrated Resource Team (IRT)
- Integrated Resources (blended and braided funds), and leveraging res
- Participating in the Social Security Administration's (SSA) Ticket to Program to access training and employment resources;
- Fostering partnerships and collaborations at the state and local levels
- Implementing the "Guideposts for Success";
- Implementing customized employment;
- Hiring a dedicated staff person, at the local level, with workplace and
- Using Universal Design Principles;
- Aligning adult and youth career pathways programs with the use of I

D. Employer Engagement -

- Are there state industry organizations, business associations, or local employers invol the design of curriculum and/or work-based learning opportunities (such as on-the-job trai summer youth employment, registered apprenticeships, internships, and other paid and un work experiences)?
 - O Describe the role they have in any of these activities:
 - Determining which occupations within targeted industries and se
 - Vetting the set of foundational academic, work readiness, and ter
 - Vetting the certificates and credentials that are required for key occupations.
- Collaborating with training institutions to design education and training
- Participating as instructors or training sites in the skill training programs.
- Providing training funds for individuals through tuition reimbursement or
- Participating in the skill certification/credentialing process.
- Serving as mentors.
- Serving as a job shadowing site.
- Providing paid or unpaid internship positions for students.

• Hiring individuals who have obtained the required certificates and credentials.

E. Professional development -

Are there professional development opportunities that support the design, implementation, and maintenance of CP, foster innovative teaching and learning strategies, and are available for administrators, teachers, faculty, and other education professionals?

eer pathways service delivery to youth inclusive, integrated, and based upon and consistent

- How is the Guidepost for Success, School-Based Preparatory Experiences integral
- How is the Guidepost for Success, Career Preparation & Work-Based Learning E:
- · Describe how the Guidepost for Success, Youth Development & Leadership, is ir
- How is the Guidepost for Success, Connecting Activities integrated into your car
- How is the Guidepost for Success, Family Involvement & Supports integrated int

F. Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and teaching and learning

Is UDL used in the design of career pathways program? What kinds of innovati

Secondary and post-secondary curriculum -

- Is the secondary and post-secondary curriculum sequenced so studen
- Are formal agreements in place between secondary and postsecondar
- Guidance counseling and advising Is there guidance support and aca
- **PROBE:** Is there a "disability coordinator" or office at the various po

G. Wraparound services -

Does the program provide wraparound and support services (such as child care, tran

Services may also include such supportive services as:

- job coaching;
- social support;
- financial literacy training;
- drop-out prevention services;
- life skills;
- financial capability counseling;
- Using the Integrated Resource Team (IRT) approach to integrate
- Participating in the Social Security Administration's (SSA) Ticket
 Program to access training and employment resource
- Fostering partnerships and collaborations at the state and local le
- Implementing the "Guideposts for Success";
- Implementing customized employment;
 - workplace and disability experience and expertise (
- Using Universal Design Principles; and

- Aligning adult and youth career pathways programs with the use
- PROBE: Please describe each component of the wraparound service
- **PROBE:** What role, if any, do the DRCs and integrated resource tear
- PROBE: Is active resource coordination being used in conjunction v

H. Academic/technical skills, standards, and assessment –

Are content standards clearly defined and are assessments used to ensure students i

- Have accommodation procedures been incorporated into the assessm
- "screen out" individuals with disabilities?

I. Competency model –

Are there competency models that define successful performance in a defined w

• *A competency model is a clear description of what a person need* **PROBE:** Have the education, training, and skill needs of employers in the state/region

PROBE: Has pre-apprenticeship or apprenticeship been considered for the career pat

PROBE: Has work experience, on-the-job training, and internships been incorporated

Are these used to assist individuals in identifying preferable career paths?

PROBE: Do any of the career paths incorporate paid employment into the academic ϵ

PROBE: Has a plan been put in place to support working with business associations

J. Develop career ladders (vertical movement between jobs) and lat

Are there career ladders and lattices that students can pursue after completing an in

PROBE: Are programs stackable and articulate to progressively higher-l

PROBE: Do the programs have multiple entry points and exit points (on-

PROBE: Are curricula "chunked" or organized in progressive modules,

PROBE: Please describe how contextualized learning and, accelerated in These strategies may include

- compressed training
- awarding credit for prior learning

- dual enrollment
- hybrid learning approaches
- Are individuals provided opportunities for self and career exploration
- Describe how individualized career plans or ILPs are used to support
- Who is responsible for developing them and supporting the individual
- PROBE: Describe the assessment tools used to determine placement
- Are accommodations available when using these assessments?

K. Employer validation –

Have your career pathways programs been reviewed by employer and industry pers

L. Flexible scheduling –

Does your career pathways programs provide flexible scheduling or attendance via

- Are alternate methods of demonstrating proficiency in course/training materials ava
 - Describe how course/syllabus modifications techniques such as unive

Career Pathways Participant Focus Group Questions

M. Enrollment and Onboarding

- Is there guidance and support available for you from your school or t
- Is there help available for course work (e.g., tutoring, mentoring, etc.
- Did you get any kind of academic counseling on planning your caree
- When you first registered for the career pathways program, did you t
- Does your program include any instruction related to developing soft
- Does your program include any instruction related to developing self
- **PROBE:** Did you have an opportunity to explore work environments
- **PROBE:** Describe how you feel about getting school or training site
- Were you offered or did you request an accommodation and was it pl
- When you enrolled in your program, did you use an individualized ca
- Did you get services at your local American Job Center or through a

PROBE: Did the American Job Center staff or vocational rehabilitation 5

- Are there other programs or services you are involved with in the cor
- **PROBE:** Did somebody help you with this process? What help have
- Why did you select this career pathway? What do you think about th
- How hard are the courses you are enrolled in? Are you working hard
 - What types of services and supports being provided are most hel
 - Are there other types of services and supports that you need that

N. Class Experience

- Is the information you receive in class presented in a way that you ur
- Do you have access to a person at the college who can work with you
- How did you meet this person? Is this person a staff at the school, fr
- Are the standards or expectations for your program clearly defined by
- Are the expectations reasonable? Why or why not?
- Do you believe the experiences you are having in your program are a
- Are there additional experiences that you believe would enhance you
- **PROBE:** Does your program provide flexible scheduling, or means (
- **PROBE:** Do you have difficulty getting transportation to your school
- Is the course material you receive provided in an accessible way? Ca
- **PROBE:** Once you receive your certificate, does the program provid
- **PROBE:** About how much reading and writing are you asked to do (
- What do you think about the amount of school work you are asked to
- Do you ever contact your instructor to ask questions about the course
- **PROBE:** Do you feel that you get the information you need from yo
- **PROBE:** Do you use email to communicate with your instructor?

- Is the instructor responsive?
- Has the American Job Center or educational institution assisted you
- PROBE: Have you been linked with any employers for mentoring, v

O. Outside of Class

- Do you ever work with your classmates outside of class on course as
- **PROBE:** What's it like working with your classmates on course mat
- Do you discuss ideas from readings or class discussions with other st
- **PROBE:** How do you feel about these discussions? Do you learn an
- Has it been difficult to juggle school and others things in your life?
- What things have been difficult to juggle?
- How long does it take you to get to campus?

- How, if at all, does your disability impact your participation and succ
- If so, what types of supports and strategies work best for you in these
- Are you able to access them as part of your training program?
- Do you feel you are benefiting from your training program?
- Are there additional supports that you believe would help you to obtain more
 - **PROBE:** Did you request an accommodation? How did the education

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ns of needed accommodations, including assistive technology, flexible scheduling, and universal		
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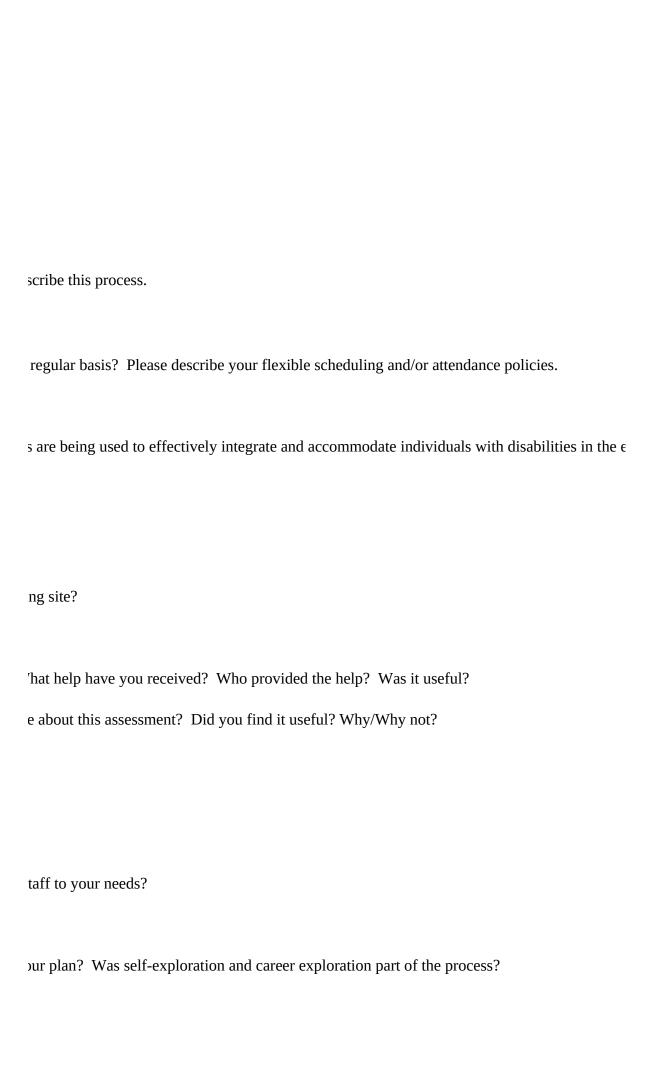
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