

MIS Meeting: January 28, 2026

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Overview of MIS Meeting and Introductions

Samantha Pfeiffer confirmed the recording of the meeting and the posting of minutes afterward. Jack Caltabiano expressed gratitude for attendees' participation and highlighted the collaborative work done by the team to restart the MIS meetings. He encouraged questions and discussions throughout the session, aiming to engage a broader audience beyond just MIS personnel.

New Board Matters Feature Overview

Lydia Sullivan highlighted the "Board Matters" feature, which went live last week and is designed to assist MIS staff and stakeholders in workforce development. This feature utilizes national data sets to provide insights on employment outcomes and allows users to compare their performance with other states. A webinar is scheduled for the following day to further discuss this feature.

* Overview of the new Board Matters feature and its implications for data analysis.

Dashboard Functionality and Data Insights

Lydia Sullivan provided an overview of the dashboard's functionality, allowing users to filter data for Title I participants, including adults and dislocated workers. She highlighted the ability to analyze employment outcomes by industry and participant characteristics, emphasizing the importance of tailoring the dashboard to meet specific needs. Ken Ryan contributed by clarifying the focus on Title I data for New Jersey.

Earnings Analysis and Data Clarifications

Lydia Sullivan discussed the earnings of participants, noting a 58.64% employment rate and an estimated total annual earning of \$88 million from those employed. Seetha Vaidyanathan inquired about the choice of average earnings over median earnings in the outcomes tab, prompting Lydia to explain that average earnings reflect actual wages tracked from the UI database. Ken Ryan supported this by stating that average earnings provide a more accurate economic indicator.

Updates on USDOL Changes and Priority of Service

Mark Van Kampen informed the group that the USDOL has stopped allowing self-attestation for income and date of birth documentation, which affects eligibility

requirements. He also raised concerns about declining priority of service numbers due to co-enrollment issues with WFNJ SNAP, noting that these cases are not populating correctly in the PEARL system.

* Updates on the USDOL's policy changes regarding self-attestation for eligibility documentation.

Next Generation Training Videos Overview

Kamlesh Patel discussed the next generation training videos for AOSS-Next Gen, emphasizing their availability on the My Ninja platform. He instructed attendees to sign in, navigate to the e-learning section, and search for the relevant training modules. Kamlesh also mentioned that the training videos include closed captioning for better accessibility.

* Training resources and next-gen training videos for staff.

AOS Updates and Dashboard Testing

Emmanuel Inyang shared that AOS version 7.4.10 is currently operational, while version 7.4.11 is in testing and anticipated for production release in February. He indicated that this upcoming version includes enhancements and bug fixes. Additionally, he mentioned that version 7.5 is planned for release around mid-year.

Dashboard Preview for AOSOS Data Management

Seetha Vaidyanathan introduced a dashboard in progress for the WFNJ program, showcasing data from AOSOS. The dashboard will include visual representations of SNAP, ABARD, and TANF activities, allowing users to track service delivery metrics. Feedback will be welcomed once the dashboard is finalized for distribution.

* Discussion on the importance of accurate data entry for effective reporting and dashboard functionality.

Discussion on Program Year Dates and Data Reporting

Howard raised concerns about the timeline for receiving draft documents, suggesting that delays could hinder timely feedback. Seetha assured him that the draft is being reviewed and will be shared shortly. They also clarified the program year dates, noting that previous years operated on a July to June schedule, while the current year follows an October to September timeline. Kamlesh added that data from FAMIS is integrated into their reporting system.

* Upcoming software updates for the OSOS system and their expected release timeline.

Dashboard Development and Future Plans

Seetha Vaidyanathan explained that the new dashboard will be updated monthly, allowing users to see changes in status over time. Kamlesh Patel highlighted that the dashboard is based on actual data from the AOSS and will serve as a valuable tool once fully operational. Davidene Alpart inquired about the potential elimination of the existing OTWS dashboard, to which Seetha expressed hope for this transition, emphasizing the need for complete data integration first.

Updates and Feedback on AOSOS

Jack Caltabiano emphasized the value of the survey conducted among MIS personnel to assess the integration of information into AOSOS. Samantha Pfeiffer asked Caltabiano to share the survey link in the chat to increase participation. The discussion also included a question about updating AOS-OS to reflect the Bestest 3.0 test, with Emmanuel Inyang suggesting that inquiries be directed to their email for further clarification. The session wrapped up with expressions of gratitude and a reminder for the next meeting on February 25th.