

August 12, 2009

Session leader: Carol Gillis (guest speaker)

Topic: Weatherization

Session 9 Participants

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NOTES FROM SESSION 9

Carol Gillis from Maryland’s Construction and Energy Technologies Consortium provided a review of the Maryland’s efforts to develop standards relating to weatherization, weatherization training, and quality assurance. Issues addressed by the consortia of community colleges included the following:

1. Identification and development of a standardized curriculum associated with specific job titles and descriptions.
2. Quality assurance standards for weatherization projects.
3. Initial efforts in developing statewide certification standards.
4. Coordination among weatherization training providers.
5. Establishment of HUBS or training resource centers to enhance access to conservation technology.
6. Establishment of a statewide training resource, sharing instructors, and resource materials among training providers.

Carol provided additional information regarding resources available from the New York State Energy Resource and Development Agency (www.nyserda.org)

If you were unable to participate in session 9, you can replay it by dialing (712) 432-1088. Use access code 550105 followed by #. *1 will rewind 30 seconds and *2 will forward 30 seconds.

SPECIAL NOTES

There will be **NO** PLC conference call held on August 19 due to the Green for All conference call (details below); and August 26 due to the Annual Brownfields Job Training Grantee Meeting. The next PLC conference call will be September 2nd at 1:00 p.m. Central time. The topic will be a summary and follow-up issues presented at the Annual Brownfields Job Training Grantee meeting.

To participate in this session, please call (712) 432-0850 from any phone at 1:00 Central time.

1. Please call in before 1:00 pm Central Time – the meeting will start promptly at 1:00 pm.
2. The call will be limited to 30 minutes.
3. Because of the limited meeting time, those who enter late will be briefly introduced to the group and the discussion will continue where it left off.
4. If this is your first meeting please call in 5 minutes early for a brief introduction and orientation.

Use access code 550105 followed by # to be connected to our session.

If you would like to invite a guest you feel would benefit from participation in our Professional Learning Community, feel free to pass this email onto them.

On August 19, **Green For All** will host a how-to call on applying for Pathways Out of Poverty Grants. \$150 million is available through these green job training grants, authorized by the Recovery Act and administered by the Department of Labor.

This call will focus on how local non-profits and Workforce Investment Boards can best craft successful grant applications. Green For All staff and other experts will discuss:

- Eligibility
- Identifying the right partnerships
- Review of the points values associated with each section of the application
- Making an application stand out
- How to minimize overlap of applications serving a given area
- Nuts & bolts of how to submit an application

Due to the large anticipated interest in this call and the limited number of available lines, they ask that only public or non-profit organizations who plan to apply for the Pathways out of Poverty grants attend this call. The call recording will be made available to everyone on their website within 24 hours of the call.

The National Green For All conference call will be held at 11am Pacific / noon Mountain / 1pm Central / 2pm Eastern. If you're interested, sign up as soon as possible at the following website:

http://www.greenforall.org/what-we-do/building-a-movement/community-of-practice/conference-call_august_19