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(g) To the extent practicable, the modification of any facilities or equipment of the employer involved that are to be used by individuals with disabilities under this program. However, a project may not be required to provide for that modification if the modification is required as a reasonable accommodation under the ADA.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 795)

**§ 379.42 What are the special requirements pertaining to the Client Assistance Program?**

Each grantee under a program covered by this part must advise applicants for or recipients of services under its project, or as appropriate, the parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives of those individuals, of the availability and purposes of the State's Client Assistance Program, including information on seeking assistance from that program.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 718a)

**§ 379.43 What are the special requirements pertaining to the protection, use, and release of personal information?**

(a) All personal information about individuals served by any project under this part, including lists of names, addresses, photographs, and records of evaluation, must be held confidential.

(b) The use of information and records concerning individuals must be limited only to purposes directly connected with the project, including project evaluation activities.

(c) This information may not be disclosed, directly or indirectly, other than in the administration of the project, unless the consent of the agency providing the information and the individual to whom the information applies, or his or her representative, have been obtained in writing.

(d) The Secretary or other Federal or State officials responsible for enforcing legal requirements have access to this information without the written consent of the individual.

(e) The final product of the project may not reveal any personally identifying information without the written

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consent of the individual or his or her representative.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c))

**§ 379.44 What are the requirements for a continuation award?**

(a) A grantee that wants to receive a continuation award must—

(1) Comply with the provisions of 34 CFR 75.253(a), including making substantial progress toward meeting the objectives in its approved application and submitting all performance and financial reports required by 34 CFR 75.118; and

(2) Submit data in accordance with § 379.54 showing that it has met the program compliance indicators established in Subpart F of this part.

(b) In addition to the requirements in paragraph (a) of this section, the following other conditions in 34 CFR 75.253(a) must be met before the Secretary makes a continuation award:

(1) Congress must appropriate sufficient funds under the program.

(2) Continuation of the project must be in the best interest of the Federal Government.

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 795(f)(4))

**§ 379.45 What are the additional reporting requirements?**

Each grantee must submit the data from its annual evaluation of project operations required under § 379.21(a)(5) no later than 60 days after the end of each project year, unless the Secretary authorizes a later submission date.

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 795)

**Subpart F—What Compliance Indicator Requirements Must a Grantee Meet To Receive Continuation Funding?**

SOURCE: 65 FR 18219, Apr. 6, 2000, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 379.50 What are the requirements for continuation funding?**

To receive a continuation award for the third or subsequent year of the PWI grant, a grantee must—

(a) Adhere to the provisions of its approved application; and

(b) Meet the minimum performance levels on—

(1) The two “primary” program compliance indicators identified in § 379.51(b) and described in § 379.53(a); and

(2) Any two of the three “secondary” compliance indicators identified in § 379.51(c) and described in § 379.53(b).

(Authority: Section 611(f)(4) of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 795(f)(4))

**§ 379.51 What are the program compliance indicators?**

(a) *General.* The program compliance indicators implement program evaluation standards, which are contained in an appendix to this part, by establishing minimum performance levels in essential project areas to measure the effectiveness of individual grantees.

(b) *Primary compliance indicators.* “Placement rate” and “Change in earnings” are “primary” compliance indicators.

(c) *Secondary compliance indicators.* “Percent placed who have significant disabilities,” “Percent placed who were previously unemployed,” and “Average cost per placement” are “secondary” compliance indicators.

(Authority: Sections 611(d)(1) and 611(f)(1) of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 795(d)(1) and 795(f)(1))

**§ 379.52 How is grantee performance measured using the compliance indicators?**

(a) Each compliance indicator establishes a minimum performance level.

(b) If a grantee does not achieve the minimum performance level for a compliance indicator, the grantee does not pass the compliance indicator.

(Authority: Section 611(f)(1) of the Act; 26 U.S.C. 795(f)(1))

**§ 379.53 What are the minimum performance levels for each compliance indicator?**

(a) *Primary compliance indicators—(1) Placement rate.* The project places indi-

viduals it serves into competitive employment as follows:

(i) No less than 50 percent during fiscal year (FY) 2001.

(ii) No less than 51 percent during FY 2002.

(iii) No less than 52 percent during FY 2003.

(iv) No less than 54 percent during FY 2004.

(v) No less than 55 percent during FY 2005 and any year thereafter.

(2) *Change in earnings.* (i) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section, the average earnings of all individuals who are placed into competitive employment by the project increase by an average of at least \$125.00 a week over the average earnings of all individuals at the time of project entry.

(ii) For projects in which at least 75 percent of individuals placed into competitive employment are working fewer than 30 hours per week, the average earnings of all individuals placed by the project increase by an average of at least \$100.00 a week over the average earnings of all individuals at the time of project entry.

(b) *Secondary compliance indicators—*

(1) *Percent placed who have significant disabilities.* At least 50 percent of individuals who are placed into competitive employment are individuals with significant disabilities.

(2) *Percent placed who were previously unemployed.* At least 50 percent of individuals who are placed into competitive employment are individuals who were continuously unemployed for at least 6 months at the time of project entry.

(3) *Average cost per placement.* The actual average cost per placement does not exceed 115 percent of the projected average cost per placement in the grantee’s application.

(Authority: Section 611(f)(1) of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 795(f)(1))

**§ 379.54 What are the reporting requirements for the compliance indicators?**

(a) To receive continuation funding for the third or any subsequent year of a PWI grant, each grantee must submit to the Secretary data for the most recent complete budget period no later