RESEA is a federal program that provides intensive reemployment assistance to individuals who are receiving unemployment benefits and are determined likely to exhaust their benefits before becoming reemployed. Each year, the Office of Workforce Development (OWD) must apply and be awarded funding from the U.S. Department of Labor for the RESEA program.

Currently, OWD has remaining funding available for program year (PY) that will be made available to participating WIOA areas. Beginning in PY 2021, OWD will begin withholding 15% of the total grant award for the state’s administrative costs and 3% of the total grant award for emergency funding. As part of the transition to local partner service delivery, the remaining 82% of the annual award will be divided among the WIOA designated areas if all areas agree to participate. To fairly and equitably distribute RESEA program funding to each of the 20 WIOA designated areas, OWD reviewed the data from program years 2018 and 2019. Future funding levels will be reviewed on a 2 to 3-year basis.

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| **Potential Participate Data** | |
| Statewide Participant Total/Year (Based on 2-Year Avg) | 41,435 |
| WIOA Area Participant Total/Year (Based on 2-Year Avg) | 555 |
| Percentage of Total | 1.34% |
| Weekly Average Number of Potential Participants (Based on 2-Year Avg) | 11 |
| Potential Funding - PY 2020 (Based on Remaining Balance of Funds) | $40,691.36 |
| Potential Funding - PY 2021(Based on Estimated Funds to be Awarded) | $58,165.89 |

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| Number of Initial RESEA Appointments (1 to 1 ½ hours/appointment) | 12 |
| Number of Initial RESEA Reschedule Appointments Available (1 to 1 ½ hours/appointment) | 3 |
| Number of Subsequent RESEA Appointments (15 to 60 minutes/appointment) | 9 |

Other important information:

* WIOA areas may assign delivery of the program to any of their staff, including staff to the WDB. State policy is that OMJ center staff and staff providing WIOA adult, DW, and youth services cannot be staff to the board or WDB directors. This policy is based upon the fact that the local WDB is responsible for procuring these services (mainly with the operator and youth services). It is a conflict of interest for the board to be selecting/procuring themselves or staff to conduct these services. However, RESEA is a partner service and is not a service that WDBs must, by WIOA law, regulations, and policy, competitively procure or select.
* RESEA participant information may be shared with WIOA staff when claimant is referred to WIOA for employment and/or supportive services. Claimant may directly contact WIOA staff or if claimant agrees, his/her contact information may for shared with WIOA staff who will be providing the services/training.
* RESEA delivery staff are not required to be housed in the OMJ center and use the OMJ center as needed for RESEA sessions/appointments. WIOA areas may have full or part-time staff or a combination of both and/or duties may be assigned on a part-time basis.
* RESEA funds may be used in conducting RESEA appointments, as well as when providing reemployment services such as resume writing workshops when there is an RESEA participant in attendance.
* Funding will be based on the potential number of program participants and allocated in CFIS. Funding allocation amounts cannot be determined until we know whether all WIOA areas will deliver the program. If the RESEA program is transitioned to a WIOA area, OWD has no plans to later remove funding/allocation from areas who have agreed to local delivery.