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Workforce Investment Act

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Policy Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
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Workforce Investment Board Directors
Title I Administrators
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DCS Field Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Susan V. Lawler, Commissioner
Division of Career Services

Jonathan Raymond, President
Commonwealth Corporation

Date: July 19, 2005

Subject: Title I WIA Youth Forums

Purpose: To transmit information to Local Workforce Investment Boards, Career Center Operators and WIA Title I Local Youth Program partnerships regarding the schedule for FY 2006 WIA Youth Forums.

Background: Title I WIA Youth Forum is one way through which Massachusetts disseminates what is new, happening, and developing in WIA Title I youth program. The forums focus on WIA policy, performance and effective/promising practices in the field of youth development. The audience for these activities includes policymakers, managers and practitioners working with Title I eligible youth, including those workforce partners listed above and local youth program vendors. The fiscal year 2006 schedule is as follows:

September 16, 2005	9:00 – 12noon
February 10, 2006	9:00 – 12noon
June 8, 2006	9:00 – 12noon.

The meetings are schedule to be held at the College of the Holy Cross (Hogan Center) Worcester, MA (directions attached).

The WIA Youth Forum agendas and more detailed summary of planned activities will be included in future communications. In case of poor weather conditions attendees are asked to call the Commonwealth Corporation hotline after 6 a.m. on the day of the event at 1-800-307-0760 Extension 2314, a voice message will provide information on meeting cancellations (no voice message indicates the meeting remains scheduled).

Action

Required: Review the information and share with all appropriate staff. Kindly put these dates in your schedule book. Those interested in attending should RSVP to Prudence Tegha at Ptegha@commcorp.org 617-727-8158, by no later than two weeks before the scheduled date (reminder notice will be sent in advance of meetings).

Inquiries: Please direct all questions or suggestions for forum content to Samuel Martin at smartin@commcorp.org or 617-727-8158.

Filing: Please file this in your notebook of previously issued WIA Communication Series Issuances as #05-51.