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OF INTEREST TO

County Agencies

- Directors
- Economic Assistance Supervisors and Staff
- Employment Services Directors and Providers
- Child Care Assistance Supervisors and Staff
- Social Services Supervisors and Staff
- Child Support Supervisors and Staff

Other Interested Parties

- Tribal Representatives
- Child Care Resource

ACTION/DUE DATE

Please notify agency staff and organizations that may be interested in these reports.

EXPIRATION DATE

December 29, 2008

DHS Issues Employability Measure Pilot Study Final Report

TOPIC

This report, entitled *Employability Measure Pilot Study Final Report*, is the final report on a project which piloted an assessment tool called the Employability Measure with MFIP participants.

PURPOSE

Describes the development of the Employability Measure and the pilot study, analyzes the data, summarizes discussions with supervisors and job counselors at the pilot sites, and makes conclusions and recommendations based on the data, the discussions, and feedback from the Employability Measure advisory committee.

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BACKGROUND

The Minnesota Departments of Human Services and Employment and Economic Development developed the Employability Measure to gauge status and progress in eleven areas of life functioning (child behavior, dependent care, education, financial, health, housing, legal, personal skills, safe living environment, social support, and transportation). The purpose of the pilot was to determine whether these measures were related to a person's ability to obtain and retain employment and to study the quality and feasibility of the Employability Measure in practice. From January 2005 through June 2006, DHS piloted the Employability Measure with staff and participants at seven different Employment Services providers in the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP).

RESOURCES ON THE INTERNET

The report is posted at the DHS Website listed below. Once there, you will need to scroll down to the topic **Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) Reports** and then to the heading **Reports on Special Projects**.

http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id_004113#MFIP

FUTURE REPORTS

This is the first and final report on the Employability Measure Pilot Project.

SPECIAL NEEDS

This information is available in other forms to people with disabilities by contacting us at (651) 296-4410, toll free at 1-888-234-1138 or through the Minnesota Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529 (TDD), 7-1-1 or 1-877-627-3848 (speech to speech relay service).