

**National Association of
State Workforce Agencies
(NASWA)
&
Center For Employment
Security Education and
Research (CESER)**



NASWA Mission

- ❖ National organization of state administrators of unemployment insurance laws, employment services, training programs, employment statistics and labor market information programs and other programs and services provided through the publicly-funded state workforce systems. (Article One of Bylaws)

NASWA Guiding Principles

- ❖ Advance state role in the workforce system.
- ❖ Further understanding of core function of system is finding stable employment for workers and meeting employer needs for workers.
- ❖ Invest in training and professional development.
- ❖ Lead in coordinating local, state, and federal roles. (Article One of Bylaws)

Three Main NASWA Functions

- ❖ Advocacy with the U.S. Department of Labor, other federal agencies, and Congress
- ❖ Liaison with the U.S. Department of Labor, other federal agencies, and other organizations
- ❖ Information Exchange among states and with the U.S. Department of Labor, other federal agencies, Congress, and the public

CESER Mission

- ❖ Dedicated to improving state and federal government services to the nation's workers and employers.
(Article One of Bylaws)
- ❖ Receives grants to provide education and research to advance the mission.
- ❖ Most grants have been from the U.S. Department of Labor.

Current CESER Projects

- ❖ The Workforce ATM – The NASWA website (Funded by other CESER Projects)
- ❖ The Wage Record Interchange System (WRIS)
- ❖ High Growth Job Training Initiative (HGJTI) and Workforce3One – A new website to promote a demand-driven workforce system.
- ❖ Projections Managing Partnership
- ❖ O*NET Training and Tools

NASWA Budget

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NASWA Revenues	1,239,000	
CESER Revenue to NASWA	500,000	
NASWA Expenses	(1,894,500)	
Change in Net Assets		(155,000)
NASWA Net Assets December 31, 2004		1,540,000
Projected NASWA Net Assets December 31, 2005		1,385,000
CESER GRANTS		
Total Funds under contract (January 1, 2005)	1,850,000	
New Funds Available (Projected)	2,138,000	
Projected Net Funds available	3,988,000	
NASWA's Portion for Reimbursements of CESER Funds		<i>500,000</i>

NASWA/CESER Professional Staff

- ❖ Executive Director – Rich Hobbie
- ❖ Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs Director – Curt Harris
- ❖ Fiscal and Administrative Director – James Black
- ❖ High Growth Job Training Initiative Project Manager and Liaison – Ingrid Evans
- ❖ Information Technology and Training Director – Pam Gerassimides
- ❖ Labor Market Information and Research Director – Mary Sue Vickers
- ❖ Unemployment Insurance Director – Brian Langley
- ❖ Workforce Development Director – Bob Simoneau

NASWA/CESER Support Staff

- ❖ **Executive Assistant & Special Events Manager – Nina Bustria**
- ❖ **Office & Membership Services Manager – Marti Pass**
- ❖ **Secretary & Bookkeeper – Gloria Fluellen-Simpson**

Communications and Legislative Relations Director – Curt Harris

- ❖ **Communications & Legislative Relations Committee**
- ❖ **Unemployment Insurance Program and Technology Subcommittee**
- ❖ **Budget and Appropriations Issues**
- ❖ **Bulletin**
- ❖ **A liaison with the Information Technology Support Center**
- ❖ **CESER HGJTI Project**

Fiscal and Administrative Director - James Black, CPA

- ❖ **Comptroller of NASWA/CESER**
- ❖ **Administration and Finance Committee**
- ❖ **NASWA State Supplemental Funding Survey**
- ❖ **CESER Contracting and Fiscal Management**
- ❖ **Management of Financial and Subscription Processes with NASWA user groups, such as America's Job Link Alliance**



High Growth Job Training Initiative (HGJTI) Project Manager and Liaison – Ingrid Evans

- ❖ Ingrid is managing a competing workshop now.
- ❖ Works full time on the HGJTI funded by USDOL/ETA
- ❖ Workforce3One is the new web site intended to promote a demand-driven workforce system.
- ❖ Visit the Cybercafe to see Workforce3One

Information Technology and Training Director – Pam Gerassimides

- ❖ **Information Technology Committee**
- ❖ **CESER/ITSC IT Portfolio Project**
- ❖ **CESER TAA/NEG capacity-building training project**
- ❖ **CESER training for front-line staff**
- ❖ **CESER HGJTI project**
- ❖ **Associate Editor of Bulletin**
- ❖ **A liaison with the Information Technology Support Center**

Labor Market Information and Research Director – Mary Sue Vickers

- ❖ Labor Market Information Committee
- ❖ Equal Opportunity Committee
- ❖ CESER Projections Managing Partnership
- ❖ CESER project on skills projection system training for state staff
- ❖ CESER project on a webinar explaining capabilities of LMI divisions in states to provide projections and serve local customers
- ❖ CESER HGJTI project

Unemployment Insurance Director – Brian Langley

- ❖ **Unemployment Insurance Committee**
- ❖ **Interstate Benefits Committee**
- ❖ **CESER Wage Record Interchange System (WRIS) project and State WRIS Advisory Group**
- ❖ **A liaison with the Information Technology Support Center (ITSC)**

Workforce Development Director – Bob Simoneau

- ❖ **Employment and Training Committee**
- ❖ **Veterans' Affairs Committee**
- ❖ **Associate Editor of Bulletin**
- ❖ **CESER HGJTI project**
- ❖ **WIA Attorneys Workgroup**

Questions and Answers

❖ Thank you!