

America's Career Kit Training Summary

The purpose of the America's Career Kit (ACK) Training Workshops is to familiarize One-Stop professionals and partner agency staff with the wealth of information that can be found in America's Career Kit and to demonstrate how they can enhance the services they provide to their clients by using it. One-Stop clients include dislocated workers, incumbent workers, underemployed, unemployed, youth, and employers.

America's Career Kit (ACK) is a suite of Internet resources designed to provide job seekers and employers with access to job, resume, labor market and training information. The Career Kit includes the following Internet sites:

- America's Job Bank (AJB) www.ajb.org
- America's Career Infonet (ACINet) www.acinet.org
- America's Learning eXchange (ALX) www.alx.org
- America's Service Locator (ASL) www.servicelocator.org

For information on these sites, see the ACK fact sheet in the US WORKFORCE web site (<http://usworkforce.org/factsheets/>). The training will also include a module on O*NET, which replaces the DOT. O*NET (www.doleta.gov) is used in some components of ACK.

The tools of America's Career Kit are widely used by the service delivery organizations and their customers within America's Workforce Network (AWN). AWN is the comprehensive, nationwide system of employment and training assistance developed in partnership with Federal, State and Local governments.

Network Consortium of Fairfax, Virginia will deliver the training workshops in each State illustrating how One-Stop staff can use America's Career Kit to improve customer service. The training team will conduct the workshops in a train-the-trainer mode. The training will be delivered to a minimum of one staff member from each comprehensive WIA One-Stop Center that has been certified by the Local Workforce Investment Board. Individuals completing training will be responsible for training other One-Stop staff at their respective locations on the use of America's Career Kit products. Training will be made available to all States in 2001, beginning in April.

Several national organizations are participating in this project. The Center for Employment Security Education and Research (CESER) is the developer of the Career Kit training curriculum. CESER is an affiliate of the National Association of State Workforce Agencies. The National Association of Workforce Boards and the National Veterans Training Institute will use the training curriculum to help meet the information needs of their members and customers.

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