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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 6, 2015

**TO:** Local Workforce Development Area - Executive Directors

**FROM:** Lois A. Scott, Chief, Bureau of One-Stop and Program Support 

**SUBJECT:** Transition from REA to RESEA

On March 27, 2015, the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) issued [Unemployment Insurance Program Letter \(UIPL\) No. 13-15](#) announcing that the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment (REA) program is being replaced by the Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) program. The transition from REA to RESEA must be completed by January 1, 2016. In the REA Grant Solicitation email sent April 14, 2015, DEO enumerated the major differences between REA and RESEA, including the fact that regions that elect to participate in RESEA will no longer be required to do PREP.

The changes in the RESEA program design will impact the LWDAs' delivery of program services to customers. Currently, the REA program targets Reemployment Assistance (RA) claimants profiled as likely to exhaust their RA benefits before finding new employment, and allows a maximum of two (2) hours of staff time spent with each claimant. The RESEA program shifts the target population to RA claimants profiled as most likely to exhaust their RA benefits before finding new employment, and adds all transitioning veterans receiving Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) to the target population. Furthermore, RESEA allows a maximum of five (5) hours of staff time spent with each claimant. For additional information about the RESEA program, please refer to [UIPL 13-15](#).

Due to the change in the program design, LWDAs must choose to be *either* a PREP region or an RESEA region. LWDAs cannot be both. Therefore, we are requesting that each region decide if it is going to participate in the RESEA program or the PREP program by the close of business on Friday, November 13, 2015. For those regions that choose to participate in the RESEA program, DEO will be requesting your budgets as soon as USDOL issues the UIPL for PY 2016. Please email your decision and related questions to Marcie Mullins at [Marcia.Mullins@deo.myflorida.com](mailto:Marcia.Mullins@deo.myflorida.com).

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