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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 21, 2006
TO: Regional Workforce Board Executive Directors*
FROM: Lois A. Scott, Program Manager, One-Stop and Program Support
SUBJECT: Military Family Employment Advocacy Program

The Military Family Employment Advocacy Program delivers a broad spectrum of workforce services through Military Family Employment Specialists co-located within selected One-Stop Career Centers around the State. Persons eligible for assistance through this program include spouses and dependents of active-duty military personnel, Florida National Guard members, and military reservists.

Military Spouse Employment Specialist positions are currently assigned to Regional Workforce Boards (RWB) 2, 4, 8, 15, and 23. General Revenue (GR) Pass-Through funding for these positions is primarily intended for salaries and benefits. However, the legislation that created this program does not preclude the utilization of lapsed Military Family Employment Advocacy Program funds for support services, short-term training, certification, licensing, etc., on behalf of military spouses/family members in order to enhance their opportunities for quality employment. Therefore, RWBs with Military Family Employment Advocacy Program positions can proceed to use the associated available funding for the above services.

In addition, it is important for state-level query and tracking purposes that all Military Spouse/Family member clients are identified in OSMIS by indicating the MS code in the Local Office Use category.

Continued General Revenue funding of the current Military Family Advocate Specialist positions and possible expansion of these positions to additional RWBs is potentially contingent upon the achievement of successful performance outcomes and productivity, i.e. total military spouses/family members registered, services provided, and entered employment rates, etc.

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