§ 641.700 What performance measures/indicators apply to SCSEP grantees?

(a) Indicators of performance. There are currently eight performance measures, of which six are core indicators and two are additional indicators. Core indicators (defined in § 641.710) are subject to goal-setting and corrective action (described in § 641.720); that is, performance level goals for each core indicator must be agreed upon between the Department and each grantee before the start of each program year, and if a grantee fails to meet the performance level goals for the core indicators, that grantee is subject to corrective action. Additional indicators (defined in § 641.710) are not subject to goal-setting and are, therefore, also not subject to corrective action.

(b) Core indicators. Section 513(b)(1) as amended by Pub. L. 109–365 establishes the following core indicators of performance:

1. Hours (in the aggregate) of community service employment;
2. Entry into unsubsidized employment;
3. Retention in unsubsidized employment for six months;
4. Earnings;
5. The number of eligible individuals served; and
6. The number of most-in-need individuals served (the number of participating individuals described in subsection (a)(3)(B)(i) or (b)(2) of section 518).

(c) Additional indicators. Section 513(b)(2) as amended by Pub. L. 109–365 establishes the following additional indicators of performance:

1. Retention in unsubsidized employment for one year; and
2. Satisfactions of the participants, employers, and their host agencies with their experiences and the services provided.
3. Any other indicators of performance that the Secretary determines to be appropriate to evaluate services and performance.
4. Affected entities. The core indicators of performance and additional indicators of performance are applicable to each grantee without regard to whether such grantee operates the program directly or through subcontract, sub-grants, or agreements with other entities. Grantees must assure that their sub-grantees and lower-tier sub-grantees are collecting and reporting program data.

(e) Required evaluation and reporting. An agreement to be evaluated on the core indicators of performance and to report information on the additional indicators of performance is a requirement for application for, and is a condition of, all SCSEP grants.

§ 641.710 How are the performance indicators defined?

(a) The core indicators are defined as follows:

1. “Hours of community service employment” is defined as the total number of hours of community service provided by SCSEP participants divided by the number of hours of community service funded by the grantee’s grant, after adjusting for differences in minimum wage among the States and areas. Paid training hours are excluded from this measure.
2. “Entry into unsubsidized employment” is defined by the formula: Of those who are not employed at the date of participation: The number of participants who are employed in the first quarter after the exit quarter divided by the number of adult participants who exit during the quarter.
3. “Retention in unsubsidized employment for six months” is defined by the formula: Of those who are employed in the first, second, and third quarters after the exit quarter: Total earnings in the second quarter plus total earnings in the third quarter after the exit quarter divided by the number of participants who exit during the quarter.
4. “Earnings” is defined by the formula: Of those participants who are employed in the first, second, and third quarters after the exit quarter: Total earnings in the second quarter plus total earnings in the third quarter after the exit quarter divided by the number of participants who exit during the quarter.
5. “The number of eligible individuals served” is defined as the total number of participants served divided by a grantee’s authorized number of...