







TO: Adult Education and Literacy Council Directors

FROM: Dr. Shelia Wilkerson, Professional Development Coordinator

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SUBJECT: Professional Development/Training Opportunities

The Arkansas Adult Learning Resource Center (AALRC) is pleased to announce the following workshop:

LACES 101: Understanding the NRS Accountability Measures and Its Impact on Performance and Funding (AALRC)
Session ID: 546318 ■ February 11, 2025

The workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the AALRC. Attendees may valet park in the building parking deck and the AALRC will validate. For directions to the AALRC and a list of nearby hotels, click the link: https://aalrc.org/contact-us/. Nicole Gray, Eduardo Lemm, and Phyllis Fitzpatrick, state Adult Education Program Advisors, are the presenters.

The National Reporting System for Adult Education (NRS) is the accountability system for the federally funded Adult Education Program, authorized by Section 212 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). This training will provide an overview of the state's data management system, LACES, along with the WIOA primary indicators of performance: measures that describe adult education students and their program participation, methodologies for collecting performance data, and program reporting procedures. This training will focus on the NRS Tables, Arkansas Assessment Policy and Distance Education Guidelines, and the program's responsibility for data collecting and reporting.

Adult education funded participants will be reimbursed according to state travel guidelines (refer to Program Memo ADED 24-05 for full Travel Policy Guidelines). Local programs will be reimbursed mileage for one vehicle per four (4) participants and a second vehicle when more than four (4) attend an approved meeting, without advanced written permission from the Director of Adult Education. For 1-day trainings, participants must live or work (whichever is closer) 150 miles or more from meeting location in order to receive lodging reimbursement for the night before. Total maximum lodging reimbursement per night is \$110 plus tax. Participants must submit an original signed hotel receipt for reimbursement.

Register here: http://www.escweb.net/ar esc.

The Arkansas Adult Learning Resource Center ensures equitable access and participation in federally funded Title II programs and meets the requirements of Section 427 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA). Participants should contact the AALRC at 1-800-832-6242 or info@aalrc.org regarding any special needs required during training, such as accessibility needs, special equipment needs, learning needs and dietary restrictions. In addition, The AALRC will ensure equitable access and participation in Adult Education activities conducted with federal adult education funds.