Annual Outreach & Review Service

AGREEMENT

This interagency agreement (Agreement) is effective as of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with one (1), 1-year option for renewal ending June 30, 2023 (see Attachment A), by and between the Department of Workforce Development (DWD), on behalf of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), whose principal business address is 201 E. Washington Avenue, Room G 100, Madison, WI 53703, and the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System on behalf of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater whose principal business address is 800 West Main Street, Whitewater, WI 53190, hereinafter referred to as UW-Whitewater (collectively, the parties).

The DWD employee responsible for the administration of this Agreement is Kathleen Enders, DVR Program Development Section Chief, whose principal business address is 201 E. Washington Avenue, Room G 107, Madison, WI 53703. In the event that the Section Chief is unable to administer this Agreement, DWD will notify UW-Whitewater and designate a new Agreement designee.

WHEREAS, DWD wishes to purchase services from UW-Whitewater as it is authorized to do so by Wisconsin law; and

WHEREAS, UW-Whitewater is engaged in furnishing the desired services;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual undertaking and agreements hereinafter set forth, DWD and UW-Whitewater agree as follows:

1) SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

The Annual Outreach and Review Service began in 2016 as part of a requirement under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and provides individuals working under sub-minimum wage certificates, career counseling, and information and referrals to federal and state programs and other resources in the individual’s geographic area that offer employment-related services and supports designed to enable the individual to explore, discover, experience, and attain competitive integrated employment. This service must be completed for the employee to continue earning a sub-minimum wage and for the sub-minimum wage employer to maintain the required certification, which allows wages to be paid at a rate lower than the minimum wage from the Department of Labor.

a) UW-Whitewater shall provide (1) Project Manager and Personnel that meet the qualifications described in this Agreement.

b) The Project Manager must meet the following qualifications:

   i) Masters or Bachelors degree in Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling, Special Education, Psychology, Human Services, or other related degrees and two or more years of relevant experience.

   ii) A Wisconsin Professional Counseling License, or equivalent, approved by the DVR Contract Specialist.

   iii) Four (4) or more years of experience working with individuals with disabilities, including supervisory and program management experience.

   iv) Knowledge of federal and state policies and laws related to individuals with disabilities.
v) Experience working with motivational interviewing, trauma informed care, career counseling, assessment of subminimum wage employee needs, and referrals.

vi) Knowledge of state agencies serving individuals with disabilities.

vii) Experience and ability to manage projects, meet deadlines, supervise staff, and manage budget.

viii) Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work with subminimum wage employees and stakeholders effectively.

ix) Ability to manage multiple aspects of a project and meet deadlines.

x) Ability to manage and work with survey development tools, including database management.

xi) Ability to manage multiple priorities and deadlines effectively.

xii) Ability to create, write, and submit reports.

xiii) Strong interpersonal and communication skills with a wide range of stakeholders.

xiv) Ability to work with a team and independently.

xv) Ability to comply with all state and/or federal regulations and confidentiality requirements.

xvi) Ability to develop and implement a comprehensive training plan for staff.

xvii) Proficient with technology software such as survey development software, databases, word-processing, and calendaring.

xviii) Has a valid Wisconsin driver’s license or has independent transportation.

c) Career Interviewer Personnel must meet the following qualifications:

i) Masters or Bachelor’s degree in Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling, Special Education, Psychology, Human Services, or other related degrees and two or more years relevant experience.

ii) Experience working with people with disabilities.

iii) A background specifically in employment services.

iv) Experience in career and disability counseling and direct service delivery with people with disabilities and their families.

v) Ability to manage and work with survey development tools, database management.

vi) Ability to manage multiple priorities and deadlines effectively.

vii) Ability to create, write, and submit reports.

viii) Strong interpersonal and communication skills and ability to work with a wide range of stakeholders.

ix) Experience or training with motivational interviewing and trauma informed care.

x) Ability to work within a team and independently.

xi) Ability to comply with all state and/or federal regulations and confidentiality requirements.

xii) Proficient with technology and software such as Outlook, Word, Excel and other business standard software.

xiii) Has a valid Wisconsin driver’s license or has independent transportation.

d) If UW-Whitewater does not provide a Project Manager and/or Personnel that meet the qualifications outlined in Subsection 1(b) and 1(c), DWD reserves the right to request a replacement of the Project Manager and/or personnel. Should no suitable Project Manager and/or Personnel be provided, DWD reserves the right to cancel the Agreement.
e) The Project Manager and Personnel are to be supervised by UW-Whitewater. The DVR Program Section Chief, or designee, will provide direction to the Project Manager in matters related to DVR policies and service provision.

f) The Project Manager and Personnel must travel in-state on an as needed basis. Travel expenses will be billed monthly and reimbursed to UW-Whitewater per UW System policy reimbursement rate.

g) No services are to be provided until an official State of Wisconsin Purchase Order is issued by DWD to UW-Whitewater.

2) PROJECT MANAGER AND PERSONNEL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Project Manager and Personnel provided by UW-Whitewater pursuant to Section 1 of this Agreement, shall provide services as described in Attachment B Scope of Services.

3) PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

a) DVR will determine if the Agreement will be extended or if DVR will enter into similar agreements in the future, based on the services provided by UW-Whitewater under Section 2.

b) UW-Whitewater will adhere to the reporting requirements described in Attachment B Scope of Services-Reporting Plan.

c) UW-Whitewater will meet with DVR on a monthly basis or as otherwise determined by DVR.

4) General Oversight

a) DVR will monitor UW-Whitewater 's compliance with the terms of this Agreement. DVR may monitor services on a periodic basis or as otherwise determined by DVR.

b) DVR reserves the right to monitor all aspects of this Agreement, including individual complaints regarding the operation of the program by UW-Whitewater.

c) If DVR receives a complaint regarding the operation of the program by UW-Whitewater, UW-Whitewater must conduct an administrative review of the complaint. UW-Whitewater must provide the results of UW-Whitewater 's administrative reviews of complaints to DVR within 15 days of the date of the notice under this section unless DVR approves an extension.

d) As a result of monitoring, DVR may make recommendations concerning compliance with program requirements, achievement of program performance standards, or the administrative efficiency of the program, and DVR may require that UW-Whitewater take corrective action to remedy any identified deficiencies.

e) In cases where UW-Whitewater does not meet work effort/outcome measures, the DVR Contract Administrator will notify UW-Whitewater of items that require corrective action and require UW-Whitewater to develop and submit a Corrective Action Plan. UW-Whitewater 's response must be submitted within ten (10) days of the date of the notice under this section, unless DVR approves an extension. DVR will determine if UW-Whitewater 's Corrective Action Plan is likely to resolve performance issues DVR identified, and if so, DVR will approve the Corrective Action Plan. If UW-
Whitewater fails to submit a satisfactory Corrective Action Plan or fails to follow an approved Corrective Action Plan, DVR, at its discretion, may revise or terminate this Agreement accordingly. Failure to comply with any part of this Agreement may result in revision or termination of the Agreement.
5) **COST AND PAYMENT OF SERVICES**

   a) Payment for services provided in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement must not exceed the approved pricing amount detailed in Attachment C: UW-WHITEWATER PRICING DETAILS.

   b) UW-Whitewater shall invoice monthly based on the actual completed interviews at the per interview rate for services rendered during the previous month no later than thirty (30) days after the month's end. Invoices must reference the PO number.

   c) **Invoice Instructions:**

      Address the invoice as follows:

      DWD – DIV OF VOC REHAB
      ATTN: DVR BUDGET ANALYST
      PO BOX 7852
      MADISON WI 53707-7852

      but then either:

      1. FAX the invoice to (608) 327-6012 (preferred); OR
      2. E-mail the invoice to: Einvoice@dwd.wisconsin.gov.

      There is no need to mail in a hard copy of the invoice, if the above steps are followed.

   d) Travel expenses are invoiced based on incurred travel expenses and are separate from interview completion. Travel expenses will be billed monthly and reimbursed according to the UW System policy. UW-Whitewater will invoice DVR within one month after the travel was reimbursed by UW-Whitewater to the traveler. Interviewers may request travel reimbursements from UW-Whitewater up to 90 days after the travel occurs, however travel reimbursements are generally requested on a weekly or monthly basis and cover a number of interview events in any single reimbursement.

   Supporting documentation will be an exported Excel spreadsheet from “WISER” (the updated UW System Data Mart for PeopleSoft Financials), that lists the travel reimbursement amount ($), journal posted date payment to WISER (MM/DD/YYYY), and account description (ex: “mileage – in state,” “Day Trip Meals,” “Vehicle Rental,” “Overnight Lodging,” or similar descriptions used in WISER).”

   e) UW-Whitewater will provide the appropriate workspace, technology, information security, and technical support necessary for the Project Manager and Personnel to perform the services required under this Agreement. Supplies and cellphone line charges are included in Attachment C Pricing Details.

   f) UW-Whitewater may provide the appropriate support to allow for remote work arrangements, as deemed necessary or appropriate for the health and safety of the community, for the Project Manager and Personnel to perform the services required under this Agreement.

   g) Any expenses outside of the services identified and travel identified must be pre-approved by DVR prior to expense being incurred.
g) Any additional activities requested by DVR outside of the scope of work may require an addendum to
cover additional expenses being incurred.

6) **DWD SYSTEM SECURITY**

a) All DWD/DVR systems must be protected from theft, abuse and/or misuse.

b) To the extent authorized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, UW-Whitewater is accountable and
responsible for all activities associated with the system access accounts and equipment assigned to it by
DWD/DVR.

7) **SECURITY AWARENESS & ETHICS TRAINING REQUIREMENT**

a) The Project Manager and Personnel must complete the Department of Workforce Development Online
Information Technology (IT) Security Awareness Training module ([https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/service-
providers/training/#info-sec](https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/service-providers/training/#info-sec)), as well as the UW-Whitewater Security Awareness Training ([https://uwm.edu/news/annual-security-training-for-faculty-and-staff](https://uwm.edu/news/annual-security-training-for-faculty-and-staff)), and related DWD/DVR ethics training as directed for licensed employees, and,
in the timeframe as directed.

b) DVR must notify UW-Whitewater when future Department of Workforce Development Online
Information Technology (IT) Security Awareness Training modules are available and of completion
requirements.

c) UW-Whitewater staff to complete an annual training on Equity and Inclusion that includes Unconscious
Bias provided by the University of Wisconsin System.

d) Training certificates must be retained by UW-Whitewater for 3 years for audit purposes.

8) **CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK**

a) UW–Whitewater must comply with the Board of Regents/System policy that UW institutions conduct
a criminal background check on applicants for employment, certain current employees, and certain
volunteers. Official UW System policy delineating criminal background check processes and use of the
information can be found at: [https://www.wisconsin.edu/regents/policies/university-of-wisconsin-system-criminal-background-check-policy/](https://www.wisconsin.edu/regents/policies/university-of-wisconsin-system-criminal-background-check-policy/)

9) **CONFIDENTIALITY**

a) UW-Whitewater must not release Personally Identifiable Information or records regarding any
individual authorized for services by the DVR without the prior written consent of the individual. In
addition, the UW-Whitewater must safeguard all individual personal information and records to prevent
the inadvertent or unintentional disclosures. The applicable statutory references for confidential
information at the time of this Agreement are 34 CFR § 361.38 and Wis. Admin. Code Ch. DWD 68.

b) UW-Whitewater must advise, in good faith, UW-Whitewater’s agents, employees, successors, assigns,
and subcontracted entities of the restrictions. To the extent authorized under the laws of the State of
Wisconsin, UW-Whitewater must hold DWD harmless from costs, if any, for actions, which arise as a
result of noncompliance by UW-Whitewater, agents, employees, and officers regarding the restrictions
herein.
10) INSURANCE RESPONSIBILITY

a) Each agency agrees that, as related to this interagency Agreement and to the extent authorized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, any loss or expenses by reason of liability imposed by law must be charged to the agency responsible for the officer, employee or agent whose activity or inactivity caused the loss of expense while acting within the scope of their employment or agency.

b) The University of Wisconsin is self-insured and certifies it has sufficient funds to cover its liability, including but not limited to for bodily injury, property damage, automobile liability.

11) STATE AND FEDERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

a) This Agreement shall be governed under the laws of the State of Wisconsin. UW-Whitewater shall at all times comply with and observe all federal and state laws, local laws, ordinances, and regulations which are in effect during the period of this Agreement and which in any manner affect the work or its conduct.

b) UW-Whitewater may subcontract part of this Agreement only with the prior written approval of DWD. UW-Whitewater retains responsibility for fulfillment of all terms and conditions of this Agreement when it enters into contractual agreements. If UW-Whitewater uses a subcontractor to fulfill any part of this Agreement, it shall require its subcontractor(s) to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement.

c) DWD reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, all material resulting from this Agreement.

d) Any discovery or invention arising out of or developed in the course of work aided by this Agreement, shall be promptly and fully reported to the DWD.

12) RECORDS

a) UW-Whitewater must maintain such records as required by State and Federal law.

b) UW-Whitewater must allow inspection of records and programs, insofar as is permitted by State and Federal law, by representatives of DWD and its authorized agents, and Federal agencies, in order to confirm UW-Whitewater’s compliance with the specifications of this Agreement.

c) UW-Whitewater agrees to retain and make available to DWD all program and related fiscal records for six (6) years or in accordance with its applicable Records Disposition Authorization after the end of the Agreement period, or until an audit initiated prior to the expiration date where records shall be retained until subsequent audit resolution processes involving the records have been completed.

13) AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE

a) An Affirmative Action Plan is required from UW-Whitewater.

b) “Affirmative Action Plan” is a written document that details an affirmative action program. Key parts of an affirmative action plan are: (1) a policy statement pledging nondiscrimination and affirmative action employment, (2) internal and external dissemination of the policy, (3) assignment of a key employee as the equal opportunity officer, (4) a workforce analysis that identifies job classifications where there is an under representation of women, minorities, and persons with disabilities, (5) goals must be directed to
achieving a balance work force, specific and measurable, having an implementation target date between six months and 2 years, have a plan of action or description of procedures to implement the goals, (6) revision of employment practices to ensure that they do not have discriminatory effects, and (7) establishment of internal monitoring and reporting systems to measure progress regularly.
c) In addition, UW-Whitewater shall conduct, keep on file, and update annually, a separate and additional accessibility self-evaluation of all programs and facilities, including employment practices for compliance with ADA regulations, unless an updated self-evaluation under Section 504 of the Rehabilitative Act of 1973 exists which meets the ADA requirements. UW-Whitewater is to contact the Affirmative Action/Civil Rights Compliance Office, for technical assistance on Equal Opportunity.

14) NONDISCRIMINATION

a) Pursuant to 2019 Wisconsin Executive Order 1, Grantee agrees it must hire only on the basis of merit and will not discriminate against any persons performing a contract, subcontract or grant because of military or veteran status, gender identity or expression, marital or family status, genetic information or political affiliation.

b) In connection with the performance of work under this Agreement, the UW-Whitewater agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, religion, color, disability, sex, physical condition, developmental disability as defined in s. 51.01(5), Wis. Stats., sexual orientation as defined in s. 111.32(13m), Wis. Stats., or national origin. This provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Except with respect to sexual orientation, UW-Whitewater further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunities.

15) ASSIGNMENT

a) Neither party may assign any rights or duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.

16) CONTRACT REVISIONS AND/OR TERMINATION

a) Failure to comply with any part of this Agreement may be considered cause for revision, suspension or termination of this Agreement.

b) This Agreement or any part thereof may be renegotiated in such circumstances as: 1) increased or decreased volume of services; 2) changes required by State or Federal law or regulations, or court action; 3) monies, to include appropriations, available affecting the substance of this contract; 4) a change in the Project Manager and/or Personnel or performance issues with the Project Manager and/or Personnel.

c) Revision of this Agreement may be made by mutual agreement. The revision will be effective only when DWD and UW-Whitewater attach an addendum of amendment to this Agreement which is signed by the authorized representative of both parties, except in circumstances of award amount, where such increase in funds is for the same purpose as originally agreed upon, the Agreement may be amended by a unilateral amendment made by DWD.
d) This contractual Agreement can be terminated by a 90-day written notice by either party to the other party. Upon termination, UW-Whitewater must be reimbursed for all allowable costs and non-cancelable commitments incurred in the performance of this Agreement but not yet paid.

e) UW-Whitewater must notify DWD whenever it is unable to provide the required quality or quantity of services specified, including a change in the Project Manager and/or Personnel or position description. Upon such notification, DWD must determine whether such inability will require revision or cancellation of this Agreement.

17) CONDITIONS OF THE PARTIES OBLIGATIONS

a) This Agreement is contingent upon authorization of Wisconsin and United States law, and any material amendment or repeal of the same affecting relevant funding or authority of DWD must serve to revise or terminate this Agreement, except as further agreed to by the parties hereto.

b) DWD and UW-Whitewater understand and agree that no clause, term or condition of this Agreement shall be construed to supersede the lawful powers or duties of either party.

c) It is understood and agreed that the entire Agreement between the parties is contained herein, except for those matters incorporated herein by reference, and that this Agreement supersedes all oral agreements and negotiations between the parties relating to the subject matter thereof.

d) This Agreement becomes null and void if the time between the earlier dated signature and the later dated signature on this Agreement (or addendum) exceeds sixty (60) days inclusive of the two signature dates.

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6/28/2021  
Date

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Attachment A

The initial term of this Agreement will be from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with one option for renewal

**Option #1:** July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

**Note:** Renewal Option #1 may be extended based on mutual agreement of the parties involved
Attachment B
Scope of Services

1) Outreach Plan

a) At the start of each contract year, UW-Whitewater will contact each 14(c) employer to outline the process and timeline for reaching out to 14(c) employees.
b) DVR will collaborate with UW-Whitewater on developing communication used with each 14(c) employee and their family or guardian explaining the purpose and process DVR has been directed to complete per the WIOA federal regulations.
c) UW-Whitewater will share communications with the 14(c) employer to share with 14(c) employees.
d) UW-Whitewater staff will be available by phone or email to explain the purpose, the process and timeline of services to 14(c) employees, guardians and 14(c) employers.
e) UW-Whitewater will collaborate with the 14(c) employer, DVR, the 14(c) employee and their respective family/guardian, and the long-term care funder if requested to make good-faith efforts to schedule interviews.

2) Service Area Plan

a) UW-Whitewater will serve all 14(c) employers in Wisconsin. UW-Whitewater will identify a point of contact who will work within one or more Workforce Development Area (WDA) regions to reach all the areas of the state and use the technology infrastructure available to UW-Whitewater.

3) Scheduling Plan

a) Beginning at the date designated as their date of hire by the 14(c) employer, interviews for individuals in their first year of subminimum wage employment will include both career counseling and information about training opportunities once during the first six months of employment beginning with the designated date of hire, once during the second six months of employment beginning with the designated date of hire, and annually thereafter, for the duration of subminimum wage employment. The deadline for these 14(c) employees to receive services is based on the anniversary of the date of their employment at subminimum wage.
b) A 14(c) employee with a break greater than one year in subminimum wage employment is considered a new employee and will revert to the first-year schedule noted in section (a) above.
c) UW-Whitewater will prioritize offering and scheduling in-person interviews for all 14(c) employees in their first year of subminimum wage employment whenever they can be conducted in that manner safely, with the agreement of the 14(c) employee or their guardian and the 14(c) employer.
d) After the completion of the initial year of employment beginning with the designated date of hire, UW-Whitewater will conduct outreach to schedule annual interviews thereafter, with the annual interview windows calculated from the anniversary of the designated date of hire to the day prior to the next anniversary of the designated date of hire. For 14(c) employees whose designated date of hire falls prior to 7/22/2016, that date shall be used to calculate their annual interview windows. In cases where a 14(c) employee, guardian, or 14(c) employer requests an additional interview outside of this normal schedule, UW-Whitewater shall provide a list of the calculated interview windows and completed interviews as documentation of current interview completion. In cases where a 14(c) employee, guardian, or 14(c) employer continues to request an additional interview outside of this normal schedule after the provision of this current interview completion documentation, UW-Whitewater shall complete that interview as
requested. Meetings shall be invoiced at the Cost Per Individual rate.

e) In cases where in-person meetings are not an option due to COVID-19 related restrictions, interviews may be conducted through remote options such as telephone or video conference as agreed upon by the 14(c) employer, 14(c) employee, and UW-Whitewater. UW-Whitewater should provide interviews remotely for the sake of efficiency in those circumstances where the 14(c) employee can participate in a meaningful way that still meets the requirements of Annual Outreach and Review Service requirements under WIOA. Meetings shall be invoiced at the Cost Per Individual rate.

f) UW-Whitewater will make three (3) good-faith attempts to work with the 14(c) employer to schedule interviews for each of their reported 14(c) employees. UW-Whitewater will offer an additional remote option in cooperation with the 14(c) employee/guardian and 14(c) employer, but after documenting a total of four (4) good-faith attempts with an individual 14(c) employee, DVR will consider UW-Whitewater to have met the outreach terms of this contract for that individual 14(c) employee. For the remainder of the active interview cycle, UW-Whitewater will complete a remote interview, only if the 14(c) employer and 14(c) employee initiate a “drop in” or “last call” interview session.

g) DVR will monitor UW-Whitewater's interview schedule and progress in completing interviews statewide based on bi-weekly reporting (see Section 9 Reporting Plan).

4) Meeting Plan

a) Interviews will be conducted according to the criteria described in Section 3 Scheduling Plan and occur at the 14(c) employer site or via remote options as agreed upon by the 14(c) employer, 14(c) employee, and UW-Whitewater. Confidentiality will be protected, and accessibility will be a consideration for scheduled meetings.

b) In cases where face to face interviews are not an option due COVID-19 related restrictions and interviews are conducted by telephone or video conference, UW-Whitewater shall continue to meet all requirements stated in the following sections:

1) Section 5 Informational Components
2) Section 6 Individual Meeting Components
3) Section 8 Documentation Provided to the 14(c) Employee

c) 14(c) employees will be asked to use their own resources to attend the required meetings. Guardians will in many cases be invited to attend and can voluntarily provide transportation.

d) If transportation assistance is needed (i) UW-Whitewater will identify 14(c) employees who require arranged transportation, (ii) provide a list of approved transportation vendors, (iii) upon request, assist with arranging the transportation. The information will be gathered by UW-Whitewater during outreach attempts to 14(c) employees/employers and sent to DVR via email. The information must include name and contact information of transportation vendor, name of 14(c) employee, pick up and drop off location and times, date of service and cost. Transportation vendors will invoice DVR directly.

e) DVR will pay UW-Whitewater $25.00 per person service fee for those 14(c) employees that require transportation coordination to cover the added cost of coordination.

5) Informational Components

a) UW-Whitewater will prepare informational emails and overview documents to send to 14(c) employers for the launch of the interview cycle. DVR will receive materials a minimum of 10 days in advance for review. If DVR has not provided feedback within 10 business days following receipt, UW-Whitewater may proceed on the presumption of passive approval of communications.

b) UW-Whitewater will prepare one-page summary documents to outline the service and federal requirements for the 14(c) employees. The documents will be easy to read and understand and translated
by UW-Whitewater into languages as needed by the 14(c) employee and/or family/guardian.
c) UW-Whitewater may use and share publicly available materials and resources related to DVR services, supported and customized employment, benefits, counseling, regional employment resources, and information about long term care. DVR will provide translated DVR documents for UW-Whitewater to use in the delivery of service.
d) DVR will review and approve any printed materials prior to release with a minimum of 10 days in advance for review.
e) As required by WIOA, the following applies to 14(c) employees employed at a 14(c) work site with less than 15 employees:

i) In addition to the services described above, UW-Whitewater shall provide resources and materials about local opportunities, training and activities to participate and learn about self-advocacy, self-determination and peer-mentoring with the 14(c) employee and or guardian related to self-determination and resources on upcoming opportunities to participate in self-determination trainings.

f) DWD/DVR will provide UW-Whitewater branded logo information to include on documents approved by DWD/DVR for outreach to 14(c) employees and 14(c) employers.
g) Conference Attendance/External Events: Any communication mentioning or promoting DVR-funded programs or services must be shared with DVR for review at least 10 days prior to publishing or use.

6) Individual Meeting Components

a) UW-Whitewater shall provide career counseling discussion focused on prevocational skills gained to lead to integrated employment, opportunities for post-secondary education, supported, and customized employment experiences and their outcomes.
b) UW-Whitewater will use a questionnaire for information gathering purposes.
c) UW-Whitewater will provide the 14(c) employee with a review of resources available in the geographic area of the local, state and federal programs available for the 14(c) employee to access in order to be fully employed in competitive integrated employment, including such things as local supported employment/placement agencies, Job Centers, Benefits Counseling, DVR services and providers, training programs, eligible grants, self-directed employment services such as “Partners in Business” and other options offering a full array of services. The information can include examples of supported and customized employment that reflects people with similar disabilities working in integrated jobs. These can include testimonials from people with disabilities, family members and employers on the benefits of having a job in the community. Explanation and examples of people working in customized jobs will help provide a vision of the types of jobs people may find in the community that matches their skills and interests.
d) UW-Whitewater will ask, within the counseling session, about self-advocacy, self-determination and peer mentoring training that the 14(c) employee has been involved in. The discussion will be inclusive of the 14(c) employee to assist in independent decision-making.
e) Information will be presented in a manner that is understandable to the 14(c) employee.

7) Conditions for the Individual Meeting:

a) Language/Translation Service: UW-Whitewater will ensure that the meeting information is translated as necessary based on the 14(c) employee's need for foreign language translation or sign language.
b) In cases where a 14(c) employee requires ASL services in order to participate meaningfully in the interview (as requested by the 14(c) employee or their guardian), UW-Whitewater will schedule and pay for the ASL service(s). UW-Whitewater shall invoice DVR for actual costs of ASL service(s) and receive reimbursement upon properly submitted invoices and certificates of completion for the individual 14(c)
employee(s).

c) Any costs due to cancellation by UW-Whitewater will be borne by UW-Whitewater and DVR will reduce
the next payment to UW-Whitewater accordingly.

d) If the 14(c) employee requires accommodations other than an ASL interpreter (as requested by the
employee or their guardian) in order to participate meaningfully in the interview, UW-Whitewater will
notify DVR of the accommodation request, DVR will then coordinate the accommodation service, and the
vendor providing the accommodation service will invoice DVR directly.

e) UW-Whitewater will inform 14(c) employers during initial outreach efforts of the expectation that 14(c)
employers will communicate with any family members or guardians about the intent and timing of the
interviews and allow them the option to participate in the interview. In the case where a guardian does
attend an interview, they may also choose to sign the certificate of interview completion.

8) Provision for Partial Delivery of Service:

a) DVR acknowledges that there may be circumstances where UW-Whitewater cannot complete the service
as described in this Agreement for reasons outside the control of UW-Whitewater. Upon missed meeting
due to a no show on the part of the 14(c) employee, if UW-Whitewater has completed and documented
two additional outreach attempts to reschedule the meeting without success with at least one of the
additional attempts being in another form of communication, UW-Whitewater may invoice for the full
amount as a separate line item. Supporting documentation provided to DVR to include 14(c) employer
name, 14(c) employee name, dates and types of outreach. In cases involving travel, UW-Whitewater will
invoice separately for incurred travel costs.

b) Upon refusal to attend the meeting by a 14(c) employee or guardian, if UW-Whitewater has completed
and documented two additional outreach attempts following the refusal with at least one of the additional
attempts being in another form of communication and has collected the signature of the 14(c) employee or
the guardian on the refusal document, UW-Whitewater may invoice for the full amount as a separate line
item. Supporting documentation provided to DVR to include 14(c) employer name, 14(c) employee name,
dates and types of outreach. In cases involving travel, UW-Whitewater will invoice separately for incurred
travel costs.

9) Reporting Plan:

a) Progress Reports: UW-Whitewater will provide DVR with bi-weekly progress reports which will include,
but not limited to: the total number of interviews completed to date, 14(c) employer location of completed
interviews, estimate of number of remaining interviews, schedule for upcoming interviews i.e. month,
14(c) employer site, approximate number of interviews, etc. as well as other project related updates.

b) Quarterly Reports: UW-Whitewater shall collect self-reported data from each individual meeting and
report summary data quarterly via Excel Spreadsheet. Quarterly reports will be submitted to DVR within
45 days of the end of the quarter and report on the following areas:

i) Demographic data on the 14(c) employee

ii) Interviews completed and names of employees (included in Excel report).

iii) Number in group and number in individual (included in narrative/graphic report)

iv) DVR history provided by self-report as: past, current, none, or don’t know.

v) Current prevocational skill development and goals

vi) Current and past community work experiences, paid jobs, on-the-job trainings (OJT’s), job shadows,
supported and/or customized employment, Individual Placement and Support (IPS) experiences, etc.

vii) Participation in self-advocacy, self-determination and peer mentoring classes, trainings

viii) Post-secondary education certificates, credentials, classes
ix) Career interests and aptitudes provided by self-report

c) Annual Report due to DVR by October 31, 2022. Report to include:
   i) Demographic data on the 14(c) employee
   ii) Dates of meetings and who attended
   iii) DVR history provided by self-report as: past, current, none, or don’t know
   iv) Current prevocational skill development and goals
   v) Current and past community work experiences, paid jobs, OTJs, job shadows, supported and/or customized employment, Individual Placement and Support (IPS) experiences, etc.
   vi) Participation in self-advocacy, self-determination and peer mentoring classes, trainings
   vii) Post-secondary education certificates, credentials, classes
   viii) Career interests and aptitudes provided by self-report
   ix) Comparison of data between the previous and subsequent year identifying trends from one year to the next
   x) The number of 14(c) employees that left 14(c) employment and where they went (if known) based on the number of 14(c) employees who were not interviewed during FY21, who were in FY20 and/or those reported by a 14(c) employer as inactive.
   xi) The number of 14(c) employees that moved from one 14(c) employer to another (if known).

d) Documentation Provided to the 14(c) employee:
   i) UW-Whitewater shall provide the 14(c) employee and DVR a summary document within 45 business days following completion of the individual meeting to retain as proof of participation and provision of the service. The documentation will include:
      1) Name of 14(c) employee (Interviewee)
      2) Description of service or activity
      3) Information and referral details provided to the 14(c) employee
      4) Name of 14(c) employer
      5) Date of Service or Activity completion
      6) Signature of 14(c) employee acknowledging completion and guardian (if present).
      7) Date of signature(s)
      8) Name of UW-Whitewater Career Interviewer
      9) Signature of UW-Whitewater Career Interviewer
      10) Date of signature of UW-Whitewater Career Interviewer
      11) Optional signature of 14(c) employer and date
      12) Method of transmittal: hand delivered, faxed, emailed, US mail, etc.

   ii) If a 14(c) employee (or their representative) after provision of informed choice refuses to participate, UW-Whitewater shall provide the 14(c) employee and DVR a summary document including the following documentation within 10 business days of the refusal:
      1) Name of 14(c) employee
      2) Name of 14(c) employer
      3) Description of refusal and reason provided
      4) Signature of 14(c) employee acknowledging refusal and guardian (if present)
      5) Date of signature of 14(c) employee
      6) If the 14(c) employee refuses to sign, UW-Whitewater will work with the 14(c) employer to gain signature or document attempts
      7) Name of UW-Whitewater Career Interviewer
      8) Signature of UW-Whitewater Career Interviewer
      9) Date of signature of UW-Whitewater Career Interviewer
     10) Optional signature of 14(c) employer and date
(11) Method of transmittal: hand-delivered, faxed, emailed, US mail, etc.

iii) 14(c) employees may request a copy of their certificate for the previous fiscal year after initial sharing
of documentation. UW-Whitewater will provide a response and copy of the certificate within 5
business days of the request.
iv) 14(c) employers may request a copy of the certificate for any employee who was interviewed at their
site for the previous fiscal year after the initial sharing of the documentation. UW-Whitewater will
provide a response and copy of the certificate within 5 business days of the request.

10) Security and Training Plan

a) UW-Whitewater shall use secure email, filesharing, data collection, and database systems. All UW-
Whitewater staff performing services under this Agreement will be trained on confidentiality and records
keeping protecting the privacy and confidentiality of the 14(c) employees. Most documentation will be
completed electronically with paper used only when necessary and to accommodate the 14(c) employee
and/or their family/guardian. UW-Whitewater shall meet the following standards:
i) Encryption is required when name in combination with address, phone number, DOB, and/or SSN.
ii) UW-Whitewater staff shall follow strong encryption protection rules including use of password,
locking laptops and cellphones and also password change every 60 days or more often as required and
comply with all state mandated security protocols effecting 14(c) employee records and
communications.
iii) All laptops shall have up-to-date virus protection software supported by the University IT Department.
iv) All UW-Whitewater staff providing services under this Agreement shall use a University issued laptop
and remote protection.
v) The information shall be stored on UW-Whitewater 's secure database.
vi) Information shall be loaded into a database and reports shall be sent via encrypted email or other
approved method to DVR.
vii) UW-Whitewater will provide prompt acknowledgement, typically within 1 business day, to requests by
DVR for information about individual 14(c) employer and 14(c) employee data. Data will be provided
as quickly as is feasible, typically in less than 5 business days.
viii) 14(c) employee related information cannot be sold or shared with a third party or used for a
secondary purpose.