

CHAPTER 14
NEW IOWAN CENTERS

871—14.1(78GA,SF2428) Purpose. The program is designed to establish immigration service centers to provide a broad array of services to deal with the multiple issues related to immigration and employment. The new Iowan centers program offers one-stop service designed to support workers, businesses and communities. Services may include, but are not limited to, information, referral, job placement assistance, translation, language training, resettlement, and technical and legal assistance.

871—14.2(78GA,SF2428) Definitions.

“Department” means the department of workforce development.

“Immigrant” means a person who enters the country with the expectation of legally residing in the United States of America rather than returning to the person’s country of origin.

“Regional workforce investment board” means a regional advisory board as defined in 877—Chapter 6.

“Workforce development region” means a region of the state designated by the state workforce development board as required by Iowa Code section 84B.2.

871—14.3(78GA,SF2428) Allocation of funds. Funds will be made available to a limited number of pilot projects in regions selected by the department, after consultation with other related state agencies. Matching funds shall be sought in the development of the pilot centers and special services needed to support the centers.

871—14.4(78GA,SF2428) Length of project. A proposed project may be designed for up to 18 months in duration, but must have an ending date no later than June 30 of the state fiscal year following the year funding is awarded.

871—14.5(78GA,SF2428) Allowable costs and limitations. A program coordinator shall be identified for each pilot site and shall work within the workforce development center system. Each pilot program shall provide training for local and workforce development center system partners, and supportive services for customers.

14.5(1) Allowable training activities and support services. The allowable training activities and support services under this program shall be jointly determined by the department and the program coordinator, and may include, but not be limited to, English as a second language programs in the workforce development center system, interpreter services, resources for legal services, facilitation of community meetings regarding immigrant issues, and development of specialized services specific to a community’s needs.

14.5(2) Cost categories. Allowable costs must be consistently charged against the three cost categories of staff salary and fringe benefits, supportive services, and administrative support.

871—14.6(78GA,SF2428) Grant reporting and compliance review. Program operators shall be required to submit a monthly financial report detailing fund expenditures. Quarterly progress reports shall be submitted to the department detailing progress in accomplishing the goals and objectives of the project. Financial and quarterly progress report forms shall be in a format approved by the department.

These rules are intended to implement 2000 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2428, section 12, subsection 2.

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