

877—14.11(84A,PL105-33) Eligible activities. Activities conducted with grant funds must be designed with the idea of moving welfare recipients into work first, then providing employment-based activities to allow them to secure and retain unsubsidized employment. The following activities are allowable services using welfare-to-work grant funds.

14.11(1) Job readiness activities may be provided by the program operator or financed through job vouchers or through contracts with public or private providers, including training for individuals starting their own businesses.

14.11(2) Employment activities include community service programs, work experience programs, job creation through public or private sector employment wage subsidies, on-the-job training, and job placement services. Contracts or vouchers for job placement must include a provision that at least one-half of the payment occurs after the individual has been placed in the workforce for six months.

14.11(3) Postemployment services may be provided by the program operator or financed through job vouchers or contracts with subrecipients. Postemployment services include, but are not limited to, basic educational skills training, occupational skills training, English as a second language, and mentoring. These services are only designed for persons who are placed in employment activities, working in subsidized or unsubsidized jobs, self-employed, or participating in a registered apprenticeship program.

14.11(4) Job retention services and support services can be provided to all participants engaged in job readiness and employment activities or in any subsidized or unsubsidized job. Allowable services include, but are not limited to, transportation, substance abuse treatment (not medical treatment), child care assistance, and emergency or short-term housing. These services may be provided by welfare-to-work funds only if the services are not otherwise available through other funding sources, such as PROMISE JOBS, state child care assistance, substance abuse prevention and treatment block grants, or other state or local funds.

14.11(5) Each participant will receive an orientation, assessment, and service agreement after enrollment in the program.