

## Utah Adult Education 2019-2020 AEFLA/WIOA Competition

Questions and Answers

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**1. Will we need to have electronic signatures on the grant?**

Yes, *only* digital signatures will be accepted.

**2. Is the timeline for this grant accelerated?**

The timeline for this grant competition is very similar to previous competitions and complies with requirements.

**3. Is it possible for the Bidder's Conference to be broadcast?**

Yes, we will plan on broadcasting the meeting. Details for the broadcast of the meeting will be posted [here](#). We will also record the meeting and post a link to the recording on the same site. In the case of unforeseen technical difficulties, some or all of the Bidder's Conference may be inaccessible via broadcast or recording.

**4. Is the Bidder's Conference required?**

No, the Bidder's Conference isn't required. All materials shared at the Bidder's Conference will be made available [here](#).

**5. Will 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 program year reports still be available in the old UTopia?**

Yes, these reports will still be available in the [old UTopia](#) to help programs obtain needed data for the competition. Contact USBE [Adult Education staff](#) for assistance in obtaining access.

**6. Reports in UTopia aren't broken down by reading, writing, and mathematics performance data. How can I obtain that data?**

Previously funded programs can request this data from [Adam Little](#).

**7. The measures asked for in Question #2 have been obtained from data matching at the state level and programs haven't had access to the data. How do we gain access to that data?**

USBE will provide previously funded programs with this data per request to USBE Adult Education staff ([Adam Little](#)).

**8. Is the score for Demonstrated Effectiveness going to influence the competition of the final grant and monies awarded to the program?**

No, the score for Demonstrated Effectiveness will be used only to determine if applicants are eligible providers. Only those who score 25 points or higher on Demonstrated Effectiveness are able to participate in the next stage of the competition.

**9. The statewide data point “Employment fourth quarter after exit” is 32.72%, but the “Attained a secondary school diploma/recognized equivalent and employed within one year of exit” is 48.72%. Is this correct?**

Yes. All the data points listed in Question #2 are based on NRS requirements of a minimum of 12 contact hours. Employment fourth quarter after exit is a measure of the employment of all students who exited the program during the program year. Attained a secondary school diploma/recognized equivalent and employed within one year of exit is a subset of the larger group measuring only those who have attained a diploma before exiting. This specific subset would normally have a higher employment rate than those who just left the program without completing their diploma.

**10. This is a brief application compared to previous applications. Am I missing something?**

No, the Demonstrated Effectiveness application consists of only three questions. However, once an applicant has been identified as an eligible provider by scoring 25 points or higher, the applicant will be required to complete a full application in order to be considered for funding.