

Memorandum

To: **Employment Ontario Network**

From: **David McIntosh, Director**
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Subject: **Updates to Guide for Employment Status Questionnaire**

What is Happening?

The Employment Status Questionnaire (ESQ) Guide has been updated to reflect changes in the administration of the questionnaire across the following programs:

- Canada-Ontario Job Grant (COJG)
- Ontario Bridge Training Program (OBTP)
- Ontario Job Creation Partnerships (OJCP)
- SkillsAdvance Ontario (SAO)
- Integrated Employment Services (IES)

Additionally, greater specification and definitions of key terms have been added to increase clarity of the ESQ's features.

Where Can I Find More Information

The updated ESQ Guide is reposted on the COJG, OBTP, OJCP and SAO pages on the Employment Ontario Partners' Gateway (EOPG).

Who Is Affected?

Service providers for the programs listed above, including service system managers and staff in their service provider networks who are responsible for the administration of IES.

What Will Be Done Later?

The Ministry will be monitoring and tracking the tool's effectiveness and whether other changes are needed to support future implementation.

Contact Information

Please contact your regional contract manager if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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