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# Shop Talk Adult Basic and Literacy Education

January 21, 2010

# WIA Conversations

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- OVAE looking at perceived issues and real issues
- Question: What do we need in statute, and what should be in regulation and guidance?
- Can Montana relate?
  - Transcripts and summaries are available soon [wiki.literacytent.org/index.php/Assessment\\_and\\_WIA\\_Reauthorization](http://wiki.literacytent.org/index.php/Assessment_and_WIA_Reauthorization)

# NRS

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- Board Update

- Secretary Brenda Dan Messier

- Gathering information to make a good system better
    - Highlights
      - Fast Track GED limited role in ABLE
      - Contact hours are of significance
      - Pathways, goal setting, post secondary prep (by passing remediation), dual enrollment

# Assessment Policy For 2010

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- Approval pending on:
  - Primary Area of Instruction based on lowest area and student request
  - GED is completion of ASE
  - Post testing within 30 days of the end of the students' instructional term
  - 60 hour exception rule

# *PEP Talk* Training

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- All local programs must participate
  - Get PEP Talk Team organized
  - Trainings will be February-May
- Facilitator: Cindy Lewis
- Reimbursements

# Site Monitoring

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- Data Monitoring
  - State completing mid-year monitoring
  - Site Monitoring
    - Review form and send feedback
    - Focus:
      - Testing Irregularities
      - Accommodations
      - Serving High School Age Students
      - Pep Talk

# State Level Activities

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- Lumina Grant
- Standards-In-Action
- Performance-Based Funding
- MUSWA-Contact Carolyn Flynn if participating-reimbursements and sharing of information
  - <http://mus.edu/writingproficiency/index.asp>.
  - **March 8-9 Kalispell**
  - **March 10-11 Missoula**
  - **March 15-16 Billings**
  - **March 16-17 Miles City**
  - **March 18-19 Glasgow**
  - **March 22-23 Great Falls**
  - **March 24-25 Helena**
  - **March 29-30 Bozeman**

# What Is Due?

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- Goal Setting Spreadsheets
- Professional Development Survey-Strategic Planning

# Dates To Remember

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- **-Directors' Meeting (February 17th-18th)**  
**SIA Regions Webinar at 12:30.**
- **-ESOL Conference (May 20th-21st)** *Tentative*
- **-TABE/BEST Plus Annual Training (May 19th)** *Tentative*
- **Data Quality Conference**  
**(September/October?)** *Tentative*