Section 242 National Leadership Activities: Technical Assistance Opportunities for States

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Congressional Mandate

The Secretary shall establish and carry out a program of national leadership activities to enhance the quality and outcomes of adult education and literacy activities and programs nationwide (Section 242(a)).

Required Activities (Section 242(b))

1. Assistance to help States meet the requirements of section 116;
2. Upon request by a State, assistance provided to eligible providers in using performance accountability measures based on indicators described in section 116, and data systems for improvement of adult education and literacy activities;

Required Activities (Cont'd)

3. Carrying out rigorous research and evaluation on effective adult education and literacy activities, as well as estimating the number of adults functioning at the lowest levels of literacy proficiency, which shall be coordinated across relevant Federal agencies, including the Institute for Education Sciences; and

Required Activities (Cont'd)

4. Carrying out an independent evaluation at least once every 4 years of the programs and activities under this title, taking into consideration the evaluation subjects referred to in section 169(a)(2).

Allowable Activities

Literacy Information and Communication System (LINCS)
https://lincs.ed.gov/

- Online Repository of Vetted Resources
- Practitioner-Oriented Virtual Communities of Practice
- State-Focused Professional Development Center
- Adult Learner Portal

Allowable Activities (Cont'd)

Student Achievement in Reading (STAR)
https://startoolkit.org/

- Intensive Professional Development and Training
- A Network of Experts for Ongoing Support
- A New Hybrid Training Model Available Soon

Allowable Activities (Cont'd)

Building Opportunities through Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education https://lincs.ed.gov/program/building-opportunities-ielce

- Technical Assistance Training and Tools
- A Peer Learning Collaborative
- Dissemination of Lessons Learned

Allowable Activities (Cont'd)

For more information on these and other National Leadership Activities, visit the Federal Initiatives section of LINCS at:

https://lincs.ed.gov/state-resources/federal-initiatives

Questions?

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