

STEVE PERSONETTE, *President*

JOE PATERNO, *Executive Director*

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 31, 2002
TO: Executive Directors
FROM: Joe Paterno
SUBJECT: "Meeting the Challenge" Workshop Report

As a follow-up to the Participation Rate Workshop "Meeting the Challenge" in Orlando held on November 14th & 15th we have compiled many of the materials discussed at the workshop. The attachments include:

- Welfare Reauthorization Proposal -- a summary of remarks by Grant Collins, Chief of Staff of the Office of Family Assistance
- Best Practices – Florida Region 5
- Best Practices – Florida Region 10 (Power Point)
- Best Practices – Texas
- Best Practices – California (Power Point)
- Recommendations – Discussion Groups (Working with Applicants, Developing Alternative Work Activities, and Engaging the Medically Deferred Customer)

It is our hope that these materials will assist you in developing your strategies for increasing the TANF participation rate in your area. Many of you participated in the workshop, however I feel it is important to share these materials with all regions. I encourage you to continue to communicate and share with one another best practices to engage the TANF customers in quality work activities which will promote the client's personal development, while aiding our goal of meeting and exceeding federally mandated performance requirements.

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Attachments