

Maine Department of Labor
Bureau of Rehabilitation Services
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)
Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired (DVBI)
And
Maine Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Aging and Disability Services (OADS)

**Funding of Work Incentives Planning and Assistance Services
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – SFY 2015**

PURPOSE: These funds are designated to expand the capacity of the Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) program at Maine Medical Center's Department of Vocational Services (MMC DVS) to reach Social Security Administration (SSA) beneficiaries throughout the state as part of a comprehensive benefits counseling system.

MMC DVS delivers these services funded by multiple sources under a single contract, (CT #20140502*3584), executed by the Maine Department of Labor. Specifically, funds are allocated to support the employment of Community Work Incentives Coordinators (CWIC), also known as Benefits Specialists, and to provide a coordinated service delivery system that offers accessible, timely and accurate benefits information to individuals with disabilities in Maine who wish to explore work options.

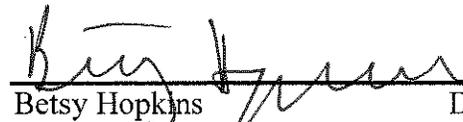
FUNDING AGREEMENT AND PROCESS:

The Office of Aging and Disability Services (OADS) has allocated \$10,000 in General Funds for this contract.

The Bureau of Rehabilitation Services (BRS) will create an RE (internal receivable) for OADS for each MMC DVS quarterly invoice submitted for payment through the State's accounting system, Advantage, in the amount of \$2,500. The DHHS Service Center will then pay the RE with an IET (internal exchange transaction).

 6/30/14

James Martin Date
Director OADS

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Betsy Hopkins Date
Director BRS DVR

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Brenda Drummond Date
Acting Director BRS DBVI