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DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



Jim Pillen, Governor

October 1, 2024

Mr. Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature
P.O. Box 94604
Lincoln, NE 68509

Subject: Annual Report on Employment First/Educational Activities

Dear Mr. Metzler:

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 68-1735.02 requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to report annually to the Legislature regarding persons participating in an Employment First Self-Sufficiency Contract engaged in certain educational activities. In addition, DHHS must report information on persons who obtain or maintain employment after no longer being eligible for Aid to the Dependent Children (ADC) cash assistance.

The report for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024 is attached.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shannon Grotrian".

Shannon Grotrian
Director, Office of Economic Assistance

Division of Children and Family Services: Office of Economic Assistance

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Educational Activities

The information below reflects the quarterly number of Employment First participants engaged in one of the following educational activities: associate degree program, vocational education program not leading to an associate degree, post-secondary education, adult basic education, English as a second language, or a general education development program.

State Fiscal Year 2024

	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4
Associate Degree Program	75	80	76	74
Vocational Education Program (not leading to an Associate Degree)	26	52	32	29
Post-Secondary Education (other than the two Programs above)	0	0	0	0
Adult Basic Education	0	0	0	2
English as a Second Language	1014	1005	1040	1063
General Education Development Program	20	32	19	20

The participants may have been engaged in more than one educational program throughout the quarter.

Persons Who Obtain or Maintain Employment

The information below reflects the number of persons participating in an Employment First Self-Sufficiency Contract that obtained or maintained employment for 6, 12, 18, and 24 months after such persons were no longer eligible for cash assistance due to securing employment. Please note if an individual is no longer receiving assistance, they cannot be tracked in the eligibility system.

Number of Individuals who Maintained Employment				
Month	6 months	12 months	18 months	24 months
July 2023	32	21	0	5
August 2023	34	36	4	2
September 2023	48	34	6	2
October 2023	56	60	8	4
November 2023	33	29	11	2
December 2023	33	33	8	4
January 2024	36	28	6	1
February 2024	48	31	6	4
March 2024	50	35	3	6
April 2024	63	32	10	8
May 2024	34	33	4	11
June 2024	40	26	2	8

Individuals are duplicated and may carry over through multiple months.