Did You Know? Newly Revised Employment Eligibility Verification Form I-9

The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has released the newly revised Employment Eligibility Verification form, Form I-9. Employers are required to use the Form I-9 to verify the identity and employment authorization eligibility of their employees.

The revisions to Form I-9 contain formatting changes and the inclusion of additional data fields.

The key dates for use and discontinuation of use:
- Employment Eligibility Verification form (Form I-9) with a revision date of "(Rev. 03/08/13) N" is available for use beginning March 8, 2013.
- Prior versions of Form I-9 (Rev. 08/07/09) Y and (Rev. 02/02/09) N can no longer be used by the public effective May 7, 2013.

The Federal Register, which provided notification and information regarding the new Form I-9, can be found at http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-03-08/pdf/2013-05327.pdf

The public can download the new Form I-9 at www.uscis.gov.

Workforce Links

Unemployment Compensation
UC Information for Employers: 1-866-223-4718
UC Information for Claimants: 1-888-313-7284
Website: www.dli.state.pa.us

The Center for Workforce Information and Analysis (CWIA)
Pennsylvania's Workforce Statistics
Website: http://www.paworkstats.state.pa.us

O*Net Online
Occupation Handbook/Titles; Industry Statistics, etc.
Website: http://online.onetcenter.org

Services and Information for Employers
Link on left margin for "Employers"
Website: www.dli.state.pa.us

On the cover:
Crocuses in Bradford County—a sure sign that spring has finally arrived!

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Employment Specialists from Trehab offices in Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties have been working with the Susquehanna County Correctional Facility for the past 4 months delivering employment services to inmates.

Soon to be released inmates are provided with a series of workshops including resume writing, interviewing and job search. Inmates are enrolled on the PA CareerLink® system enabling them to search for jobs, assisted with resume creation and given specific interview skills including how to address a criminal background in an interview. Additionally, information regarding employer hiring incentives, such as the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) is provided.

Upon release, participants are encouraged to follow-up with Trehab to receive additional services to assist in their transition back into the workforce.

Patti Brown
Employability Specialist
The 4th Northern Tier Marcellus Shale Business to Business Expo

The 4th Northern Tier Marcellus Shale Business to Business Expo is being held on Friday June 21st at Alparon Park in Troy (see advertisement on page 7).

This event continues to provide businesses and entrepreneurs with the opportunity to network among some of the natural gas industry's most important contacts and supporting industries. Introduce your business and technology to the people who are making decisions.

Mark your calendars now and plan on joining us June 21st at the Northern Tier Marcellus Shale Business to Business Expo in Troy, Pennsylvania!

Get more information, register, and explore sponsorship opportunities on the expo's website at www.ntmarcellusexpo.com.

See you there!

If you are interested in having your business in the Northern Tier Business Services Team Quarterly’s “Business Spotlight On…” section, please contact one of the Business Services Team members.

All PA CareerLink® Commonwealth Workforce Development System (CWDS) and Partnering Agency services are provided to our customers at absolutely no cost!

Please visit us at www.pacareerlink.state.pa.us to connect to online services whether you are an applicant seeking good employment, or employer, in search of good applicants.

![Employer Services Chart](chart.png)
Don Kelsey was hired in March 2013, as the Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Specialist (DVOP). While Don will be housed in the Tioga County office located in Wellsboro, he will serve veterans throughout our 5 counties in the Northern Tier Region.

Don served in the US Air Force from 1972-1973 and the US Army Reserve Infantry from 1987-1994 when he was Honorably Discharged. He received a Bachelor’s of Arts degree from Bloomsburg University.

Don met his wife Elizabeth just prior to entering the Air Force and has been married for 40 years. After his military life, Don spent most of his civilian career in manufacturing and customer service. Don states, “My hobbies are being a licensed pilot and avid fisherman. With these favorite hobbies of mine, now comes my dream job!”

As a DVOP Specialist, Don’s goals are to serve veterans with priority given to Special Disabled Veterans (veterans with a 30 percent rated disability by the Veterans Administration), veterans that are economically or educationally disadvantaged, homeless or have barriers to employment.

If you are interested in learning more about veterans services offered at the PA CareerLink®, please contact Don at 570-724-1939 ext. 226 or by emailing dokelsey@pa.gov.

Patrick Hoagland
Local Veterans Employment Representative
Recognizing a need for lodging in the Dushore area, Amiee and Jerry Plastow decided to utilize their large home as a small hotel. The Harrington House Bed and Breakfast opened in 2009. Located on Route 220, this property proved to be in the perfect location for the hospitality business. Both leisure and business travelers took advantage of its convenient location and upscale amenities. Before long the Marcellus Shale Industry brought even more business travelers to the area. Expansion plans to the original structure, built by the M.J. Harrington family and used as a dairy plant until the 1970’s, began in 2011.

By the fall of 2012, construction was completed and the bed and breakfast became Hotel Harrington. The expansion included a 10-room annex with a laundry and exercise room as well as a new front entrance, lobby, and breakfast area. Other traditional hotel features were included. Today the Harrington Hotel boasts 16 units in two wings and a Gathering Room for meetings. Both wings are connected by common lobbies, the front desk, and dining areas. High quality and customer satisfaction are the hotel’s highest priorities.

The hotel currently employs seven county residents. For information on Hotel Harrington call 570.928.8939 or e-mail hotelharringtonpa@gmail.com. Their website address is www.harringtonbb.com.

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