

Date: December 20, 2023

To: Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE), Department of Education (ED)

From: The National Association of State Directors of Adult Education (NASDAE)

Re: Responses to Public Comments Received During the 60-Day Notice: Measures and Methods for

the National Reporting System for Adult Education, Docket No.: ED-2023-SCC-0141

The NASDAE Board of Directors has reviewed the proposed changes to the NRS information collection referenced above and the Department's response to comments received. We appreciate the thoughtful consideration of all the comments received and the justifications provided.

We look forward to partnering with the Department to convene state directors and staff in stakeholder engagement sessions on proposed changes and on the implementation timeline. NASDAE represents 47 states and territories and would be happy to serve as a convener for all state and territory directors and relevant state staff. We value the reputation of accountability held by the WIOA Title II Adult Education and Family Literacy program and will work with the Department to ensure full comprehension of the required changes.

We also recognize the need and appreciate the opportunity to innovate in adult education services and data collection. We look forward to learning what states and territories can learn from pilot projects and experimental sites so that NASDAE and the Department can share and promote promising practices.

Respectfully yours,

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