

The IAWP Workforce Professional Development Program (WPDP)

What is it?

A series of study guides and optional tests to increase your knowledge about the workforce development system.

Why do it?

Job excellence in the 21st century requires enhanced professional development and “big picture awareness.” This program provides you with that awareness. It can be used for:

- Staff orientation
- Cross-training
- Staff development

Areas of study include:

- History of Workforce Development
- Unemployment Insurance
- Labor Market Information
- Business & Jobseeker



Read or Test?

Use the guides to simply increase your knowledge about the system in which we work
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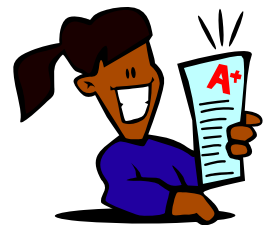
Read, study, and take the optional tests

Why do the testing?

The WPDP is one of the few certification-type programs in the workforce development field. It classifies your knowledge level and can be used as a substitute for experience or education. It has become a respected and recognized measurement of core program knowledge.

The Tests

- 100 multiple-choice questions
- 75 correct answers to pass
- Actual score is not released (pass/fail only)
- Can take two tests in one testing sessions
- Tests are offered in January, April, June/July (at the IAWP International Conference), and October (you must apply to test by the 15th of the month previous to the actual testing month)



Costs of WPDP (prices are for IAWP members; costs for non-members are slightly higher)

- Study Guides: \$15 each
- Tests: \$35 per exam or \$125 for all four
- Retesting: \$15 per exam

If you pass all four tests, you are deemed a **WPDP Master** and are qualified to apply for the IAWP Certified Workforce Specialist (CWS) designation.

For more information, please contact your chapter education chair:
