

FY 15 Perkins Monitoring Visits

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities and the Minnesota Department of Education are required to monitor local Perkins consortia to assure compliance with fiscal and management requirements of the Perkins IV Act of 2006 and Minnesota state requirements. The monitoring review provides an opportunity to not only meet compliance requirements, but also provide technical assistance, foster continuous improvement, and develop a better understanding of local performance, operations and issues facing Career and Technical Education (CTE), schools and colleges.

In 2015 Minnesota will monitor six Local Perkins Consortia. The monitoring visit schedule is as follows:

Consortium	Date	MDE Reviewers	MnSCU Reviewers
Lakes Country	January 13-14	Michelle Kamenov John Rapheal	JoAnn Simser Debra Hsu Yingfah Thao
Riverland	February 12-13	Jean Kyle Mike Mitchell	JoAnn Simser Debra Hsu Yingfah Thao
East Range, Hibbing-Chisholm, Itasca	February 25-26	Michelle Kamenov Kari-Ann Ediger	JoAnn Simser Debra Hsu Ginny Karbowski Eva Scates-Winston
Minneapolis	March 17-18	Michelle Kamenov	JoAnn Simser Debra Hsu Eva Scates-Winston

While in past years Perkins Consortia were evaluated across 23 monitoring criteria, this year Consortia are being asked to compile documentation for only the following **five*** monitoring criteria:

Criterion 1 – Consortium Membership

Criterion 2 – Fiscal

Criterion 4 – Occupational Skill Development

Criterion 5 – Collaboration and Partnerships

Criterion 8 – Programs of Study

Consortia will find detailed descriptions of each of the five FY15 monitoring criteria and descriptions of possible sources of evidence to be provided at their monitoring visit here (<http://www.cte.mnscu.edu/directories/documents/Minnesota-Monitoring-Criteria-2015.pdf>). When providing the evidence for each of the five criteria, Consortia are asked to focus especially on the following areas:

Required and Permissive Activities

Fiscal Issues

Collaborative Leadership

Rigorous Programs of Study

Data Driven Decision Making

***Each Consortium will also be asked to address those Criteria that were identified as having findings in their most recent Perkins Monitoring Visit report. To review the 23 criteria used for previous monitoring visits go to**

http://cte.mnscu.edu/directories/documents/MinnesotaMonitoring_Criteria2011.pdf

Monitoring Site Visit

The 2015 monitoring visits will be 1 ½ days long, which is a shorter duration than those in previous years because we are reviewing five criteria rather than 23, and we will not be touring programs unless Consortia request that we do so.

(<http://www.cte.mnscu.edu/directories/documents/2015-Monitoring-Visit-Sample-Agenda.pdf>).

Please contact Debra Hsu, Associate Director for CTE, debra.hsu@so.mnscu.edu or 651-201-1686 to discuss the agenda and questions concerning the visit.