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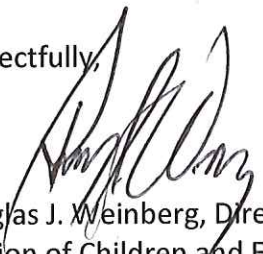
Dear Mr. O'Donnell,

Nebraska Revised Statute 68-1708 requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to report annually to the Legislature, by September 1, information regarding persons participating in an Employment First self-sufficiency contract who are engaged in certain educational activities, and information on persons who obtain or maintain employment after they are no longer eligible for cash assistance.

The report for FFY 2015 is attached.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 402-471-1878.

Respectfully,


Douglas J. Weinberg, Director
Division of Children and Family Services
Department of Health and Human Services

**68-1708: Report on Educational Activities and
Persons Who Obtain or Maintain Employment-SFY 2015**

Educational Activities

The information below reflects the number of persons on a quarterly basis who are participating in one of the following educational activities: associate degree, vocational education program not leading to an associate degree, postsecondary education, adult basic education, English as a second language or a general education development program.

This report shows, by quarter, the number of Employment First participants engaged in one of the listed educational programs

State Fiscal Year 2014

	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4
Post-Secondary Education	21	30	33	39
Associate Degree Program	492	617	537	435
Graduated during quarter	15	15	9	18
Vocational Training not leading to a degree	238	213	176	145
English as a Second Language ¹	681	836	943	909
Adult Basic Education	12	9	18	21
General Education Development Program	140	166	208	163

Persons Who Obtain or Maintain Employment

The information below reflects the number of persons participating in a self-sufficiency contract that obtained or maintained employment for six and 12 months after such persons were no longer eligible for cash assistance due to obtaining employment.

Number of individuals who maintained employment for six months in the month indicated		Number of individuals who maintained employment for 12 months in the month indicated	
July 2014	103	July 2014	176
August 2014	147	August 2014	196
September 2014	91	September 2014	253
October 2014	113	October 2014	230
November 2014	117	November 2014	109
December 2014	63	December 2014	110
January 2015	55	January 2015	77
February 2015	89	February 2015	125
March 2015	70	March 2015	89
April 2015	114	April 2015	119
May 2015	80	May 2015	141
June 2015	77	June 2015	124
