

6A-20.046 Pathways to Career Opportunities Grant Program.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) In order to be eligible for a grant, proposals to create, expand or operate apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs must include the following:

(a) through (d) No change.

(e) All applicants must certify to the Department that the entity will not use grant funds for prohibited expenditures as outlined in subsection (6) of this rule.

(4) through (5) No change.

(6) Prohibitions related to use of grant funds.

(a) In accordance with Section 1011.802(3), F.S., grant recipients may not use grant funds for the administrative, indirect, or other extraneous expenses that are not associated with the creation, expansion, or operation of an apprenticeship program.

(b) Examples of prohibited expenses include advocating for diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), promoting or engaging in political or social activism, and purchasing membership in any organization that discriminates based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or religion. In this rule the terms “DEI” and “political or social activism” have the same meaning as defined in Rule 6A-14.0718, F.A.C.

(c) Grant recipients must have procedures in place designed to ensure that grant funds provided to subcontractors are not used for administrative, indirect, or extraneous expenses as outlined in paragraphs (6)(a)-(b).

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