

**§2023. Department duties**

Notwithstanding subchapters I and II, the department shall encourage pursuit of nontraditional occupations by: [PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW).]

**1. Support services.** Providing necessary support services to participants, including but not limited to:

A. Payment for dependent care costs, as long as those costs do not exceed the prevailing regional rate for that care; [PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW).]

B. Training materials such as books, tools and uniforms; and [PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW).]

C. Travel payments according to the policies established by the service providers under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; [PL 2017, c. 110, §21 (AMD).]

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**2. Orientation program.** Ensuring that the applicable orientation program includes nontraditional occupations and a means of assessing interest in nontraditional occupations;

[PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW).]

**3. Ongoing support systems.** Working with community organizations to develop ongoing support systems for participants who receive training in nontraditional occupations;

[PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW).]

**4. Staff training.** Training staff on nontraditional occupations issues including differences in the economic status of men and women; the social, personal and economic barriers encountered in training and job placement and on the job by individuals pursuing nontraditional occupations; methods for recruiting individuals for nontraditional occupations; and the need for continuing support for individuals in nontraditional occupations; and

[PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW).]

**5. Rulemaking.** Making rules in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act as necessary to establish procedures implementing this subchapter.

[PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1991, c. 807, §2 (NEW). PL 2003, c. 114, §15 (AMD). PL 2017, c. 110, §21 (AMD).

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