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Danbury American Job Center Offers January Employment and Training Workshops

WETHERSFIELD, December 18, 2015 – The Connecticut Department of Labor and the Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board are offering a variety of training and employment workshops in January to assist residents. Events are held at the Danbury *American Job Center*, 171 Main Street, and the Danbury Public Library, 170 Main Street. Please contact the Waterbury *American Job Center* at (203) 437-3380 to register. Advance registration is encouraged due to space limitations. The following workshops are now being offered:

Workforce Innovations and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Information Session: Participants will review the process and eligibility requirements to receive funding for training through this federal employment initiative.

January 4 (1 – 4 p.m.)

CAMI (Connecticut Advanced Manufacturing Initiative) Orientation: This is a one-hour review of the Naugatuck Valley Community College Advanced Manufacturing Facility and Program.

January 11 (9 – 10 a.m.)

H1B Technical Skills Training Information Session: Review the eligibility requirements and potential opportunities for mid-level skills training in Information Technology, Health Care and Advanced Manufacturing. This session may be of particular interest to long-term unemployed jobseekers with some college credits.

January 14 (1 – 2 p.m.)

Health and Life Science Career Orientation: Explore potential training opportunities in the Health and Life Sciences fields offered through the Community College system.

January 28 (1 – 2:30 p.m.)

Veterans' Representative appointments: Connecticut Department of Labor Veterans' Representative Ron Agard is available, by appointment, to meet with customers. For a pre-scheduled appointment, please email: Ron.agard@ct.gov or call (203) 437-3294. Appointments are available **January 6, 13, 20, 27.**

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Northwest Region Veterans' Employment Services: Eligible veterans can receive veteran-specific re-employment services. Contact Yuriy Matviyenka at 203-437-3295 (yuriy.matviyenka@ct.gov), Ron Agard at (203) 437-3294 (ron.agard@ct.gov) or Heather Suddaby at (203) 437-3297 (heather.suddaby@ct.gov).

Disability Resource Coordinator – A staff person is available to inform customers about accessing the various programs that offer services and supports needed to obtain and maintain employment. The emphasis is on abilities, not *disabilities*. Contact Jim Amis at (203) 574-6971 X 441 or Jamis.ctwbs@ct.gov.

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