

# Coastal Operators Group (COG) Meeting

## Agenda

**April 24, 2024**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**

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**Mission Statement:** *The Coastal Operators Group (COG) is a committee of the four WIOA-required entities that are in a position to ensure that the initial triage of job-seekers and service provision to employers are consistently conducted by knowledgeable staff. The goal of the COG is to strengthen integration efforts and communication channels between regional WIOA partner staff by increasing opportunities to share best practices and relevant challenges, and to improve the systems in which we work.*

### Goals

1. Track testing referrals to Adult Ed.
2. Streamline the referral system between the One-Stop Center and system partners.
3. Support cross-training between agencies for knowledgeable referrals.
4. Coordinate business services and share via multiple outlets.

Desired Results: *By the end of the meeting, participants will:*

1. *Have knowledge of the Rise Up retail career pathways training program*
2. *Hear updates from partners*
3. *Be prepared to begin center certification process*

Agenda Item	Presenter	Time
Welcome and Review 3/27 Meeting Minutes	Amy Geren	3:00 – 3:05 PM
1. Retail Association of Maine: Rise Up program overview	Amy Geren	3:05 – 3:15 PM
2. Updates from the group <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Programmatic updates/initiatives</li><li>• Biggest challenge of the month</li></ul>	All	3:15 – 3:40 PM
3. One-Stop Center Certification Update 4. Career Center / Affiliate Site Certification Process Review	Amy Geren / All	3:40 – 4:00 PM
Adjourn		~4:00 PM

**Next Meeting: May 22 @ 2:00PM**