LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (LEP)TRAINING

- Connecticut Department of Transportation
- Office of Contract Compliance

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Improving Access for Persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

- ➤ Signed by President William Clinton on August 11, 2000.
- LEP applies to individuals who speak English less than very well.

FOUR FACTOR ANALYSIS

Factor One: Number of LEP Persons

Factor Two: Frequency of Contact

Factor Three: Nature/Importance of the Program

Factor Four: Available Resources

LEP VS. SAFE HARBOR

LEP

>5% of the population

SAFE HARBOR

- >5% of the population, or 1000 persons, whichever is less.
- Examples of Vital Documents:
 - Notice to Beneficiaries
 - Complaint Forms
 - Notices of Public Meetings/Hearings
 - Applications
 - Notices of denials, losses, or decreases in benefits or services.

ELEMENTS OF A LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE PLAN

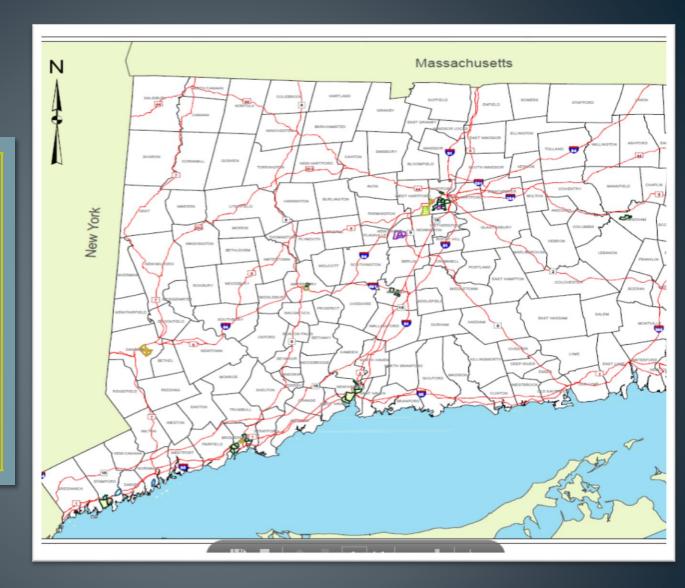
- ✓ Results of your four factor analysis.
- ✓ How do you provide language assistance?
- ✓ How do you inform LEP individuals that language assistance is available?
- ✓ Monitoring strategies and frequency.
- ✓ Staff Training.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE EXAMPLES...

- > I Speak Cards
- Over the Phone Interpretation Services
- Community/Faith Based Organizations
- Translating Documents
- Hiring Interpreters
- Utilize Ethnic Media
- Ticket Vending Machines with multilingual features
- Bilingual Staff

CTDOT MAPS

LEP Maps (Statewide and Rail/Bus Service Area) Available on CTDOT Website.



RESOURCES

- Executive Order 13166, "Improving Access for Persons with Limited English Proficiency"
- FTA Title VI Circular, FTA C 4702.1B
- FTA Handbook, "Implementing the Department of Transportation's Policy Guidance Concerning Recipients' Responsibilities to Limited English Proficient (LEP) Persons.
- CTDOT Title VI Maps <u>http://www.ct.gov/dot/cwp/view.asp?a=3529&q=305564</u>
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