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Reemployment Services Help Unemployed Job Seekers

JUNEAU, Alaska—The Alaska Job Center Network offers reemployment services to all Alaskans who are receiving unemployment insurance benefits.

"Our mission is to help place UI claimants in good jobs, with the right fit, to meet career goals," Labor Commissioner Click Bishop said. "Alaska's reemployment services can help develop skills to expand job opportunities and help overcome obstacles – at no cost to the worker."

Through ALEXsys, the state's online job bank for job seekers and employers, users can access employment and training resources that can help identify transferable skills and explore career tracks.

"Users must register through ALEXsys to access the online orientation about reemployment and training services that are available online and through the state's 23 job centers," said Sandra Burgess, an employment security analyst. "Since March 10, when we updated ALEXsys with the new orientation, we've had more than 5,000 customers view the orientation and career tracks."

Highlights of the orientation include information on workshops like resume writing and interviewing, career and interest assessments like Career Ready 101 and WorkKeys®, and ALEXsys that offers users the ability to search for jobs locally and statewide.

The site now offers five connected "career tracks" that provide a description of some basic career options a job seeker may want to pursue.

- New Job for job seekers who are ready for the job market.
- Training includes information on high-growth industries, likelihood of finding a job and funding sources.
- GED/ABE career services and information for users who need high school equivalency.
- Apprenticeship earn while you learn.
- Self Employment explores the options, risks and rewards of opening a small business.

ALEXsys is available online at http://Jobs.Alaska.Gov/.