BULLETIN 2006-18

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U.S. Department of Labor	Distribution:	Subject: Additional RAIS Code
Employment and Training	A-541 Headquarters	and Occupational Title for
Administration	A-544 All Field Tech	Health Support Specialist
Office of Apprenticeship (OA)	A-547 SD+RD+SAC+;	Occupation
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<u>PURPOSE</u>: To inform the Office of Apprenticeship (OA), staff of an addition to the Registered Apprenticeship Information System (RAIS) for the coding and recording of a new occupational title for an existing occupation:

Health Support Specialist Existing Title: Home Health Aide O*NET-SOC Code: 31-1011.00 RAIS Code: 1086AA Training Term: 2,500 – 5,000 hrs. Type of Training: Hybrid

The letters "AA" have been added as an extension of the RAIS Code 1086 to identify applications utilizing the new occupational title. The O*NET-SOC Code will remain the same.

BACKGROUND: Apprenticeship Program Consultant Michele Boschetto from the Kansas State Apprenticeship Council submitted this occupation. The Health Support Specialist has been recognized to meet Health Care Industry demands for highly-skilled and highly-trained workers.

Since the two occupations are similar except for application within the Health Care Industry, O*NET determined it did not qualify for its own separate O*NET-SOC Code. Therefore, OA is awarding a separate RAIS Code extension that would allow for distinction and application by industry.

<u>ACTION</u>: Effective immediately, all OA/BAT staff should implement data entry for the "Health Support Specialist" classification into RAIS under Code 1086AA. New program standards and revisions to existing program standards may include incorporation of either occupational title and should utilize the appropriate RAIS Code.

The RAIS Code change will be reflected in the next bulletin announcement of the List of Apprenticeable Occupations. A suggested Work Processes Schedule and Related Instruction Outline are attached.

Questions relating to this bulletin should be forwarded to Felecia Hart at (202) 693-3813.

NOTE: This bulletin is being sent via electronic mail.

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