



MULTIPLE EMPLOYER CONTRACT (MEC)

ENTREPRENEURIAL PROJECTS

- A MEC may contract with the Panel to train small business owners. These projects are funded under the Panel's Special Employment Training (SET) Program per CCR 4409 (c) Special Employment Training Projects.
- The business owner must be registered as a CA employer with EDD and be subject to the UI tax on behalf of the business' employees.
- An "owner" is one or more individuals who each have a substantial (at least 20%) financial investment in the business, and direct full-time involvement in the day-to-day operations of the business.
- Participating employers must be entrepreneurs/small business owners who have one (1), and less than ten (10) full-time employees, whose primary duties consist of directly producing or delivering goods or services.
- The business owner must employ at least the same number of full-time employees on the 91st day after training, as were employed at the start of training. ETP may waive or modify this requirement on a case-by-case basis, for good cause.
- Business management and/or other related skills needed to operate a business are allowed as a training delivery type.
- MEC participating employers must justify training needs as outlined in a certification statement.
- MEC Entrepreneurial training is reimbursed under the Small Business reimbursement rate.
- There is no wage requirement for owners as they don't typically receive an hourly wage.
- The standard minimum and maximum training hours of 8-200 apply.

For further information regarding this Pilot program, please contact connect@etp.ca.gov or call (916) 737-4181.