

## **New Hampshire Adult Education Standards Model Lessons—Background Information**

The NH standards and related Model Lessons are the result of five years of work by New Hampshire adult education practitioners. The standards were developed by a committee of adult educators from a variety of instructional programs around the state. The standards are structured to measure learner performance in the three adult roles of worker, family member, and community member, the same roles developed by the Equipped for the Future Project of the National Institute for Literacy.

Once the committee established the standards, a second group of four working groups set about designing sample learning activities for teachers to use in integrating the standards into their daily work. Each committee collected materials, designed activities, created sample lesson plans, and submitted them to the Bureau of Adult Education for inclusion in the binders that have been prepared for each program in the state.

### **Foreword to the Model Lessons**

*The materials of the Standards Working Groups represent a major milestone in the effort to continue the focus of Adult Education in New Hampshire on the everyday issues confronting our students. These materials represent the very best work of Adult Education practitioners from around the state. It is my hope that this collection of model lesson plans will become a dynamic document, one that grows and changes as we become better and better at aligning our teaching efforts to the needs of our students.*

*I would like to thank all of the people that have been involved in this project over the past five years. Your willingness to participate in this project will benefit thousands of adult students in New Hampshire on into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.*

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