Step # 1 Alabama STARRS System Registration

- 1. Grantees must be set up in the **Alabama STAARS System** to receive reimbursement.
- 2. A **VC or VI** number is required to be listed on an invoice to receive reimbursement.
- 3. Instructions for STAARS Registration can be found at: <u>https://procurement.staars.alabama.gov/PRDVSS1X1/AltSelfService</u>

Step # 2 When can I Invoice?

- 1. Invoicing is requested to be done **Monthly** but you are required to bill at least **Quarterly** for all expenses incurred in each Quarter.
- Final expenses must be reported within thirty (30) days after each training activity is completed or within 15 days following the fiscal year-end (September 30), whichever is the earliest; if a training program ends between September 15 and September 30, invoices must be submitted by October 15. No invoices will be accepted after October 15.
- 3. All line items on an invoice must correlate to the period requested for reimbursement.

Step # 3 What expenses are eligible for Reimbursement?

- 1. Only expenses outlined in the approved grant budget are eligible for reimbursement.
- 2. Review Grant Guidelines for additional info on eligible and non-eligible items for reimbursement.

Step # 4 What invoicing forms or backup must I use/provide when I bill?

- 1. All invoicing must be submitted with the invoicing template, followed by accurate and detailed receipts, quotes, etc.
- 2. All invoicing backup must be clearly labeled to identify associated billing items.

Step # 5 Where and how do I send my invoices?

1. All invoices must be emailed to Hayes Vinson (hayes@alcict.com).

Step # 6 Who do I contact if I have questions about the billing process?

 If you have any questions about this process, please contact Program Manager Hayes Vinson at <u>hayes@alcict.com</u> or 334-221-1598.

Step # 7 Dos and Don'ts of Invoicing.

- 1. **Do** bill at least Quarterly if you incur expenses in each Quarter.
- 2. **Do** keep track of your invoice categories so you do not overspend in a given category
- 3. **Do** ensure that your entity's information is listed on invoices exactly as it is in STAARS, information that does not align will result in invoice rejection.
- 4. **Don't** submit multiple Billings for the same pay period.
- 5. **Don't** submit information unrelated to your invoice.