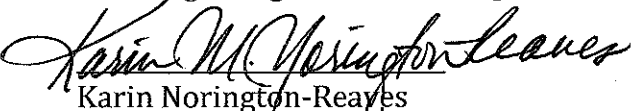




Workforce Investment Act Policy

To: All Delegate Agencies, One-Stops and Sector Centers

From: 
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Subject: Income Eligibility Requirements for WIA Title I Adult (1A)

Date: September 17, 2012

Purpose:

To define the income eligibility (funds) requirements for applicants seeking intensive services under the Title I Adult of the Workforce Investment Act (The Act).

References:

WIA Policy Letter #1.1; Workforce Investment Act Section 101 (24) and (25). Workforce Investment Act, Final Rules, Sections 663.105 - 663.320.

Background:

Under the Act, preference shall be given to low income individuals for accessing WIA Title I intensive and training services.

Policy:

Adult WIA Title I Customers

It is the policy of The Partnership that **75%** of the customers using WIA Title 1A (adult) Intensive level services must be determined low-income. For this purpose, the Act has determined that persons are to be considered low income if they have a family income at or below 70% of the current Lower Level Standard Income Level (LLSIL) or are receiving TANF, Public Aid or are homeless. The remaining 25% do not have to qualify as low-income, but depending on their employment status at time of registration must meet one the following criteria:

- (a) Unemployed – An adult who is unable to obtain employment through core services and is determined to be in need of intensive services to obtain employment.
- (b) Employed – An adult who is determined to be in need of Intensive services in order to obtain or retain employment that leads to self-sufficiency.

Self-sufficiency is defined as employment that pays at least 200% of the Lower Level Standard Income Level (LLSIL).

Dislocated Worker WIA Title I Customers

No income requirements have been set by The Partnership for access to WIA Title I Services for dislocated workers.

Priority of Service

It is the policy of The Partnership that the delivery of services to WIA customers is prioritized to Veterans and residents of Cook County.

Action Required:

This information should be disseminated to all Cook County Workforce Center staff and Delegate Agencies.

Inquiries:

Questions regarding any aspect of this policy should be directed to the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership's Chief Executive Officer.

Effective Date:

Immediately upon approval by Workforce Investment Board.