

ALABAMA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SYSTEM

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GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE INNOVATION DIRECTIVE NO. PY2014-12

SUBJECT: *State Reporting/Technical Assistance Guide for WIOA*

1. Purpose. This Directive transmits the revised page Attachment A (Appendix A (A-1)) of the *State Reporting/Technical Assistance Guide*, which contains the income chart to be used in determining whether individuals meet the low income criteria of Title I of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and Title I Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

2. Discussion. This information was previously issued via a WIA Directive (GWDD No. PY2013-09, Change 2, March 27, 2015) as it pertains to the WIA program through June 30, 2015. As of July 1, 2015, it pertains to the WIOA program; thus, it is also being issued as a WIOA Directive.

Under Title I of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-220), and Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-128), the Secretary of Labor annually determines the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for uses described in the WIA and WIOA Law (including determining eligibility for youth). WIA and WIOA define the term "Low Income Individual" as one who qualifies under various criteria, including an individual who received income for a six-month period that does not exceed the higher of the poverty line or 70 percent of the lower living standard income level. This issuance (Federal Register/Vol. 80, No. 59, March 27, 2015) provides the Secretary's annual Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for 2015 and references the current 2015 Health and Human Services "Poverty Guidelines" (Federal Register/Vol. 80, No. 40, January 22, 2015). **This income chart is to be used to determine low-income only. It is not to be confused with the issuance of the self-sufficiency income chart.**

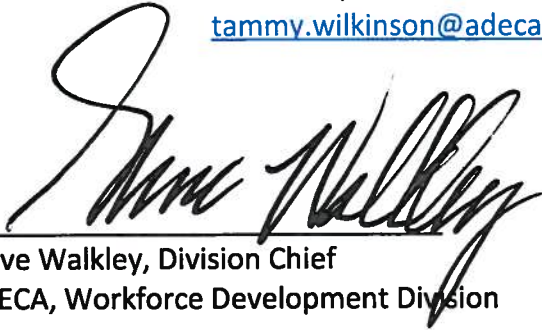
These provisions in WIOA pertaining to LLSIL reflect no change from the prior language under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, as amended.

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3. Action. Please replace the previously transmitted page Attachment A (A-1) in the *State Reporting/Technical Assistance Guide* (when updated for the WIOA) with the revised Page A-1 attached to this Directive. Subrecipients and staff should ensure that their respective eligibility certification staff uses the revised income chart in determining whether individuals meet the low income criteria.

These guidelines go into effect on the day they were published, March 27, 2015. Any participant evaluated based on the prior Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) amounts on or after March 27, 2015, whose level of service was affected, may be re-evaluated.

4. Contact. Any questions regarding this Directive should be referred to Tammy Wilkinson, Workforce Development Division at 334-242-5154 or tammy.wilkinson@adeca.alabama.gov.



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Date

Attachment:

- Revised Page Attachment A (Appendix (A-1))

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**70% Lower Living Standard Income Level
Combined with Federal Poverty Level**

Metropolitan Areas

Family Size	Income
1	\$11,770*
2	\$15,930*
3	\$21,821
4	\$26,939
5	\$31,795
6	\$37,186

For each additional family member above 6
add \$5,391

Metropolitan Areas (updated 01/01/15) Include:

Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Calhoun,
Chilton, Colbert, Elmore, Etowah, Geneva,
Hale, Henry, Houston, Jefferson, Lauderdale,
Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes,
Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, Morgan,
Pickens, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Tuscaloosa,
and Walker

Non-Metropolitan Areas

Family Size	Income
1	\$11,770*
2	\$15,930*
3	\$20,149
4	\$24,873
5	\$29,353
6	\$34,327

For each additional family member above 6
add \$4,974

Non-Metropolitan Areas Include:

The other 38 Alabama counties.

Revision effective 03/27/15 per Federal Register / Vol. 80, No. 59 (LLSIL) and Federal Register /
Vol. 80, No. 14 (HHS Poverty Guidelines dated 01/22/15).

*HHS Federal Poverty Level Guideline used per Instructions.