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WIOA Title I Eligibility Technical Assistance Guide

Introduction

The goal of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I Eligibility Technical Assistance Guide (TAG) is to assist work2future (the Local Workforce Development Area) and workforce development partners in determining participant eligibility for the WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs.

Inquiries

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WIOA Title I Eligibility Technical Assistance Guide Chapter 1 – Local Flexibility

Chapter 1 – Local Flexibility

The WIOA provides authority to the state and work2future (the Local Workforce Development Board) to establish their own eligibility policies, procedures, and definitions to meet the needs of their Local Areas as long as they are consistent with the WIOA. The TAG outlines these areas of flexibility and includes form fields for work2future to enter the specific eligibility guidance. All state-imposed requirements are indicated in **bold, italic** font.

Local Areas are required to develop local policies, procedures, and definitions as indicated in the TAG and ensure this guidance is available to all frontline staff responsible for determining eligibility. Local Areas must ensure their local guidance complies with the requirements of the TAG as well as all federal and state laws and policies. work2future is not required to use the form fields within this TAG and may utilize other methods for releasing local eligibility guidance.

Federal and state auditors will verify that local eligibility policies, procedures, and definitions have been appropriately communicated and implemented within the Local Area. Local guidance that does not accurately reflect federal and state requirements may result in disallowed costs.

(References: WIOA Sections 107(d)(8) and 185(c); Title 20 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Section 675.100; Training and Employment Guidance Letter [TEGL] 14-18)

Chapter 2 – Enrollment Process

2.1 Overview

To receive WIOA-funded services from work2future, other than basic career self-services or information-only activities, individuals must be registered in CalJOBS and determined eligible.

The following diagram illustrates the enrollment process:

Program
Application

• work2future collects information for an eligibility determination.

Eligibility Determination

- work2future determines the individual's eligiblity for career services or training:
 - Meets general eligibility.
 - Meets program-specific eligibility.

Participation

- Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs: Individual receives at least one service other than self-service or information-only activities.
- Youth Program: Youth receives at least one of the 14 WIOA youth program elements, an objective assessment, and an individual service strategy.
- Individual counted as a participant and toward DOL performance metrics.

Exit

- The exit date is the last date the participant receives a qualifying program service.
- The exit date is determined once 90 days have elapsed since the participant last received a qualifying program service.

(References: Title 20 CFR Sections 678.430, 680.110 and 681.320; TEGL 19-16 and TEGL 21-16; WSD18-03, WSD19-06, and WSD22-15)

2.2 WIOA Program Application

During program intake, work2future collects information, including identifying information, to determine an individual's eligibility for services. work2future may collect information through several methods including CalJOBS, a personal interview, or the individual's WIOA application. The WIOA application is the general tool work2future uses to collect information and determine an individual's eligibility for services.

For an individual to be enrolled into a WIOA program, all of the following must occur:

- 1. An eligibility determination.
 - Information must be collected from the individual to support an eligibility determination. This information is collected through the individual's WIOA program application. work2future shall make every effort to ensure that applications are completed in entirety and all demographic and barrier information is collected for the individual. The application may be a paper application that is physically signed, an electronic application that is electronically signed, or a combination of both.
- 2. The individual must be asked for Equal Opportunity (EO) data (work2future must request EO data, which may be included on the WIOA Application, but an individual is not required to disclose).
- 3. Receive any staff-assisted basic career service, individualized career service, or training service.
 - For the Youth program, an individual must receive all four required components to be enrolled as a participant: an eligibility determination, an objective assessment, the development of an individual service strategy, and receipt of any of the 14 WIOA Youth program elements.

(References: Title 20 CFR Sections 675.300, 680.110, 681.320; Title 29 CFR Part 38; TEGL 10-16, Change 3; WSD18-03 and WSD22-15)

Note – For the WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs, neither applicants nor their family members are required to disclose their Social Security Numbers (SSN). While work2future must request an individual's SSN for performance reporting purposes, work2future cannot deny basic services if an individual chooses not to provide their SSN. Refer to WSD20-11 for more information on the usage of pseudo-SSNs in CalJOBS.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 677.175[a][2]; TEGL 10-23, TEGL 26-16; WSD20-11)

2.3 Application Process

There is no federal limitation on the amount of time allowed between the application date and when staff must document and verify eligibility. *Nevertheless, so much time should not elapse before eligibility determination that it becomes unreasonable to assume the information about the individual is still true; otherwise, there may be disallowed costs associated with the individual's eligibility.* work2future shall use 90 days as a general rule. CalJOBS automatically closes applications after 90 days and marks them as "closed - never enrolled" if no further action is taken.

work2future has established policies and procedures for time limits covering the application process. The policies and procedures should address the following:

- 1. Amount of time individuals and staff have to obtain documentation.
- 2. Amount of time allowed to review an applicant's information and confirm eligibility.
- 3. Amount of time that can elapse between the application date and the enrollment date.
- 4. Any other applicable guidance.

(References: WSD18-02 and WSD18-03)

work2future policy and procedures for time limits covering the application process:

For work2future, applicants and work2future staff have 30 days from the date of WIOA application initiation to complete the application process which includes providing the necessary documentation. Then, work2future staff shall have up to 60 days to review application, to ask for additional source documentation, and to verify program eligibility. After a total of 90 days without an enrollment date or any service, the WIOA application will automatically have a status of Closed Never Enrolled, and applicants will need to redo the application for consideration of WIOA program services.

2.4 Eligibility Determination

The WIOA distinguishes between general program eligibility and eligibility for services for participants. The WIOA is not an entitlement program and although an individual may meet program eligibility criteria it does not mean that they are guaranteed services. This is because funding for WIOA programs is not unlimited. work2future must offer services to all eligible applicants when funding is available. To participate in work2future program services, WIOA applicants and frontline staff shall refer to the WIOA Title I Source Documentation Tables in the Appendix for acceptable forms of supporting documentation in determining general and program-specific eligibility.

General program eligibility applies to all WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs and includes:

- Age.
- Selective Service System Registration (as applicable).
- Authorization to work in the United States (as required).

Eligibility for services is related to local determinations regarding the individual's need, the participant's ability to benefit, and program-specific requirements.

Eligibility is determined at the time of enrollment. If an individual's situation changes while receiving services, the individual remains eligible until program exit. For example, an Out-of-School (OS) youth who is 24 years of age (the cut off age for OS youth) at the time of enrollment and subsequently turns 25 years of age, is still considered an OS youth until exited

from the program.

(References: WIOA Sections 188[a][5], 189[h] and 194[12]; Title 20 CFR Section 681.210; TEGL 10-23 and TEGL 21-16; WSD18-03)

2.5 Participation

Below are the criteria for participation in the WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs.

Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs

An individual becomes a participant in the Adult or Dislocated Worker programs after completing the eligibility determination, satisfying all programmatic requirements, and receiving a staff-assisted basic career service, individualized career service, or training service. An individual who uses self-services, or is assisted with information-only activities, is not considered a participant and therefore does not need to meet eligibility requirements.

Youth Program

An individual becomes a participant in the Youth program after eligibility determination and completion of all four required components (eligibility determination, objective assessment, individual service strategy development, and receipt of one of the 14 WIOA Youth program elements).

Note – For the Adult and Dislocated Worker programs, individuals who use self-service and/or receive information-only services or activities are considered reportable individuals. For the Youth program, if an individual fails to meet one or more of the items needed to be a participant, the individual will be reported as a reportable individual and will not be included in performance calculations. Certain information about reportable individuals is required to be reported in quarterly and annual WIOA reports. Collecting and reporting information in CalJOBS allows for accurate representation of the number of individuals engaged with the workforce system.

(References: Title 20 CFR Sections 677.150 and 681.320; TEGL 14-18 and TEGL 10-16, Change 3, Attachment VII; WSD22-15)

2.6 Concurrent Participation

Individuals may be determined eligible for multiple WIOA programs and may participate concurrently in WIOA and AJCC partner programs if they meet the eligibility requirements of each program. work2future shall determine the appropriate level and balance of services for individuals participating in Youth and Adult programs concurrently.

Examples of concurrent participation include:

- An eligible youth is served simultaneously in the WIOA Title I Youth program and the WIOA Title II Adult Education program to meet the individual's unique needs. The WIOA Title I resources can provide career guidance, work experience, and leadership development, while the WIOA Title II resources can provide adult education and literacy activities.
- A youth participant who is 18 to 24 years of age participates in both the WIOA Title I
 Youth and Adult programs based on their assessed needs and readiness for adult
 services.

When an individual is enrolled in multiple WIOA programs, the use of work2future funds must meet the following criteria:

- 1. The cost must benefit two or more programs in proportions that can be determined without undue effort or cost.
- 2. The cost to each funding stream must be tracked, documented, and allocated based on the proportional benefit to ensure there is no duplication of services.
- 3. Each funding stream must maintain its statutory requirements, including eligibility criteria and scope of authorized activities. The individual must meet the eligibility requirements for each program providing services.

(References: 20 CFR Section 681.430; TEGL 21-16; WSD19-09)

2.7 Exited Participants

An exit occurs when the participant has not received program services for 90 consecutive calendar days and no additional future services are scheduled. The program exit date is applied retroactively after 90 days to the last service's actual end date. Follow-up services, self-services, information-only services or activities, and supportive services do not delay, postpone, or affect the date of exit.

Once a participant exited a WIOA program, the application, documentation, and verification process must be repeated before the individual can re-enroll into the WIOA program.

Refer to WSD22-15 for more detailed information on the types of exits and determining a participant's date of exit.

(References: TEGL 14-18; WSD19-06 and WSD22-15)

Chapter 3 – General Eligibility Criteria

To receive services under the WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker, or Youth programs, an individual must meet general eligibility criteria, which includes age, Selective Service registration (if applicable), and authorization to work in the United States (as required).

The three general eligibility criteria are discussed in detail in this chapter.

3.1 Selective Service System Registration

The WIOA Section 189(h) mandates that males to comply with registration requirements of the federal Selective Service System prior to participation in a WIOA Title I-funded program. work2future must ensure that each applicable male who participates in any local WIOA program or activity, or receives any WIOA assistance or benefit, has not knowingly and willfully violated Section 3 of the *Military Selective Service Act* (MSSA) by failing to register as required.

To be eligible to receive WIOA-funded services, males born on or after January 1, 1960, who are at least 18 years of age, but not yet 26 years of age, and who are not on active duty in the armed services, must present documentation showing compliance with Selective Service registration requirements. A male youth who reaches 18 years of age while participating in a WIOA program must register, as required, within 30 days of his 18th birthday to continue receiving WIOA-funded services.

The Selective Service System registration requirement for transsexual, transgendered, intersex, and non-binary individuals is based upon the gender assigned at birth. U.S. citizens or immigrants who are born male and changed their gender are required to register. Individuals who are born female and changed their gender are not required to register.

Males required to register include, but are not limited to:

- US citizens.
- Non-US citizens, including undocumented immigrants, legal permanent residents, asylum seekers, and refugees.
- Veterans discharged before their 26th birthday.
- Members of the Reserve and National Guard not on full-time active duty.
- Dual nationals of the US and another country.

Males who are not required to register include, but are not limited to:

- Males serving in the military on full-time active duty.
- Males attending one of the five military academies or certain military colleges.
- Male veterans discharged after their 26th birthday.
- Males who are hospitalized, institutionalized, or incarcerated are not required to register during their confinement. However, they must register within 30 days after being released if they have not yet reached their 26th birthday.

- Disabled males who meet specific criteria
- Non-US males on a valid non-immigrant visa (e.g., student, agricultural, and tourist visas) until they turn age 26.
- Non-US males who entered the US after their 26th birthday.

The above Selective Service registration requirements are not exhaustive. Refer to the Selective Service System website for a comprehensive list of who must register.

Refer to the WIOA Title I Acceptable Source Documentation Tables in the Appendix for acceptable forms of supporting documentation to show compliance with Selective Service requirements.

Occasionally, males who were subject to registration, but did not register and are now beyond their 26th birth date, will apply for assistance from a WIOA program. If it is determined that a male who is 26 years of age or older knowingly and willfully failed to register, the MSSA requires that services must be denied to that individual. However, when it can be determined that the applicant's failure to register was not willful or knowingly, he can be considered for participation.

work2future has policy and procedures for potential male participants who are 26 years of age or older and failed to register. work2future may request potential male participants to present a Status Information Letter (which can be obtained from the Selective Service System) before a determination is made as to whether the individual knowingly and willfully failed to register. Alternatively, work2future has a process to determine whether the individual knowingly and willfully failed to register, and it may be initiated without first requesting a Status Information Letter.

For detailed guidance regarding Selective Service registration requirements, refer to WSD16-18.

(References: 50 USC Chapter 49, Sections 3802 and 3811[g], WSD16-18)

work2future policy and procedures for determining whether an individual knowingly and willfully failed to register:

WIOA requires males to comply with Selective Service registration requirements prior to participation in WIOA funded programs. work2future ensures that each applicable male that participates in any employment program or activity established under WIOA, or receives any assistance or benefit under WIOA, has not knowingly and willfully failed to register. Occasionally, males who were subject to Selective Service registration, but did not register and are now beyond their 26th birth date, apply for assistance from the WIOA program. WIOA program services will be denied to a male applicant 26 years or older, if it is determined that he knowingly and willfully failed to register. However, when it can be determined that the applicant did not knowingly or willfully fail to register, he can be considered for participation, and he must complete the Selective Service Failure to Register Self-Attestation Statement.

3.2 Age

An individual's age must be verified to ensure they receive appropriate services. The following chart displays the age eligibility criteria for participation in work2future's WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs.

| WIOA PROGRAM | AGE | REFERENCE |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Adult | 18 years or older | WIOA Section 3(2) |
| Dislocated Worker | 18 years or older | Title 20 CFR Section 680.120 |
| In-School Youth | 16-21 years old | WIOA Section 129(a)(1)(C)(ii) |
| Out-of-School Youth | 18-24 years old | WIOA Section 129(a)(1)(B)(ii) |

Refer to the WIOA Title I Acceptable Source Documentation Tables in the Appendix for a list of identification documents that can be used to satisfy this criterion.

3.3 Authorization to Work

Verifying Work Authorization

Many services provided through the WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs may be delivered without proof of the participant's work authorization. Staff does not need to verify work authorization until the participant is moving into services that require such authorization. work2future shall explain what services they can and cannot provide to individuals who may not yet have work authorization documents, as well as clearly explain that employers will need work authorization documentation.

Services that do <u>not</u> Require Work Authorization

To ensure efficient delivery of services, work2future may deliver certain basic, individualized, and follow-up services without verifying an individual's work authorization. These services can include, but are not limited to:

- Labor exchange services such as labor market information, career exploration, career guidance, resume writing assistance, and job search assistance.
- Information on worker rights and where to find legal assistance.
- Referrals to community resources such as transportation, childcare support, food assistance, housing assistance, medical assistance, and other similar resources.
- Individualized services such as career assessments, development of an individual employment plan, group counseling, one-on-one case management, career planning, information on foreign credential evaluation services and on obtaining credit for prior learning.
- Basic skills education, including English language instruction, and high school equivalency.
- Assistance in completing paperwork to finalize work authorization.

- Assistance in applying for an occupational license including the cost of such applications.
- Outreach to workers regarding the Employment-Related Law Complaint System and processing such complaints.

Services that do Require Work Authorization

Certain services, such as those directly linked to employment, employment outcomes, or services that provide a direct financial benefit, require verification of work authorization documentation. These services include, but are not limited to:

- Job placement.
- Occupational post-secondary training.
- Work experience.
- Supportive services that represent a direct financial benefit such as a voucher or reimbursement, relocation expenses, or needs-related payments.

The lists above provide examples of work authorization verification requirements for common services, however, these lists are not exhaustive. For more detailed information on services that can be provided with and without verification of work authorization documents, refer to TEGL 10-23.

Proof of Work Authorization

A copy of the work authorization documentation is required for the participant's file, and staff should note in the case file that they have seen proof of the participant's employment authorization document. This confirmation ensures compliance with federal regulations and better serves employer customers who must verify authorization to work.

Refer to the WIOA Title I Acceptable Source Documentation Tables in the Appendix for a list of documentation that can be used for proof of work authorization.

Nondiscrimination Compliance

When verifying work authorization, work2future shall comply with the non-discrimination regulations in accordance with WIOA Section 188[a][5] and must not discriminate on the basis of citizenship status when determining eligibility or access to services provided under a WIOA Title I-financially assisted program or activity. Discrimination includes, treating an individual differently from others in determining whether the individual satisfies any admission, enrollment, eligibility, membership, or other requirement or condition for any aid, benefit, service, or training provided under a WIOA Title I financially assisted program or activity.

work2future has procedures in place for verifying an individual's authorization to work. Refer to TEGL 10-23 and WSD18-03 for more detailed information on policy for verifying authorization to work.

(References: WIOA Section 188[a][5]; Title 29 CFR Sections 38.11 and 38.6[b][5]; Title 20 CFR Section 683.285[5]; TEGL 10-23; and WSD18-03)

work2future policy for verifying authorization to work:

Any public or private organization contracting with work2future that provides employment services, including, but not limited to, job training, retraining, or placement, shall verify an individual's authorization to work prior to providing services to that individual in accordance with procedures established under federal law. The documentation of an individual's employability (right-to-work) must be conducted in compliance with Title 8 CFR Section 274a.2 which states the federal requirements and procedures persons or entities must comply with when hiring, or when recruiting or referring for a fee, or when continuing to employ individuals in the United States. These requirements and procedures are published as the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Form I-9 and take precedence over any State statute and regulation governing alien status determination.

Chapter 4 – Priority of Service

4.1 Priority of Service Overview

Section 2(a) of the Jobs for Veteran's Act (JVA) mandates priority of service for veterans and eligible spouses, including widows and widowers, who otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for participation in DOL-funded programs, including the WIOA.

Priority of service status is established at the time of eligibility determination and does not change during the period of participation. Priority of service means that individuals who meet established priority requirements (covered persons) must be given priority over other individuals (non-covered persons) for the receipt of employment, training, and placement services. In the context of providing priority of service in a qualified job training program, such as the WIOA, priority of service means the right of a covered person to take precedence over a non-covered person. Depending on the type of service, taking precedence may mean that covered persons receive access to the service or resource sooner than non-covered persons, or if the service or resource is limited, the covered person receives access to the service or resource instead of, or before non-covered persons.

The WIOA is not an entitlement program and funding for WIOA programs is not unlimited. Individuals who do not meet priority of service criteria may still receive services under the WIOA when funding is available.

Detailed information about applying priority of service for participants is provided within this chapter.

(References: WIOA Sections 134(c)(3)(E) and 194(12); Title 38 USC Section 4215; Title 20 CFR Section 1010.200; TEGL 10-09 and TEGL 19-16; WSD19-04)

4.2 Veterans

work2future provides priority of service to veterans and eligible spouses for all WIOA-funded activities. While veterans and eligible spouses continue to receive priority of service among all eligible individuals, they must also meet eligibility criteria under the respective employment or training program. Verification of status for veterans and eligible spouses is not required until the veteran or eligible spouse undergoes an eligibility determination and is enrolled in a WIOA Title I program. Until the point of enrollment, a participant who states they meet the veterans' priority eligibility criteria must be afforded veterans' priority of service on the basis of self-attestation.

In implementing priority of service, work2future ensures that veterans and eligible spouse receive the following:

Basic career services and individualized career services before other non-covered

individuals.

- First priority on waiting lists for training slots.
- Are enrolled in training prior to non-covered persons.

Note – Once a non-covered participant is enrolled in a workshop or training class, priority of service is not intended to allow a veteran or eligible spouse to bump the non-covered participant from that class or service.

(References: WIOA Sections 134(c)(3)(E) and 194(12); Title 38 USC Section 4215; Title 20 CFR Section 1010.200; TEGL 10-09 and TEGL 19-16; WSD19-04)

Related Definitions

The following definitions are only for the purposes of implementing priority of service. Additionally, the definitions of "veteran" and "eligible spouse" used in this chapter are applicable to the priority of service requirement and are different from, and broader than, the definitions of "veteran" and "other eligible persons" applicable to services provided by the Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program Specialist and Local Veterans' Employment Representative staff.

Armed Forces – Includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Space Force, and Coast Guard.

Covered Persons – means any of the following individuals:

- 1. A veteran, including National Guard or Reserve personnel.
- 2. An eligible spouse.

Eligible Spouse - the spouse (including the same-sex spouse) of any of the following:

- 1. Any veteran who died of a service-connected disability.
- 2. Any member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty who, at the time of application for the priority, is listed in one or more of the following categories and has been so listed for a total of more than 90 days:
 - a. Missing in action.
 - b. Captured in the line of duty by a hostile force.
 - c. Forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign power.
- 3. Any veteran who has a total disability resulting from a service-connected disability, as evaluated by the US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).
- 4. Any veteran who died while a disability (as indicated in category 3) was in existence.

A spouse whose eligibility is derived from a living veteran or service member would lose their eligibility if the veteran or service member were to lose the status that is the basis for the eligibility (e.g., if a veteran with a total service-connected disability were to receive a

revised disability rating at a lower level). Similarly, for a spouse whose eligibility is derived from a living veteran or service member, that eligibility would be lost upon divorce from the veteran or service member.

Non-Covered Person – Persons who are not a veteran or a veteran's spouse as relating to priority of service application.

Qualified Job Training Program -- Any program or service for workforce preparation, development, or delivery that is funded in whole or in part by the DOL.

Veteran – A person who served at least one day in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

work2future Policy and Procedures for Veteran's Priority of Service

work2future has established policies and procedures for implementing the priority of service requirement for veterans and eligible spouses. work2future ensures that veterans and eligible spouses are able to identify themselves at the point of entry and are given an opportunity to take full advantage of the priority. These policies also ensure that veterans and eligible spouses are aware of the following:

- Entitlement to priority of service.
- The full array of employment, training, and placement services available under priority of service.
- Any applicable eligibility requirements for those programs and/or services.

For detailed information on veteran's priority of service, refer to WSD19-04.

work2future policy and procedures for implementing the priority of service requirement for veterans and eligible spouses:

For work2future, individuals who are veterans and eligible spouses shall have WIOA application evaluated and enrolled for services as participants prior to other priority groups. The order of priority of service shall be given, Priority 1 as noted at the end of this chapter, to veterans and eligible spouses who are also recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient.

(References: Title 10 USC Section 101[4]; Title 38 USC Sections 101[2] and 4215[B]; WIOA Sections 134(c)(3)(E); 20 CFR Sections 1010.100, 1010.200 and 680.650; TEGL 10-09, 22-04, 22-04, Change 1 and 19-16; WSD19-04)

4.3 Adult Program

In addition to priority of service for veterans and eligible spouses, work2future has established

a priority of service process for a majority of individuals served in the Adult program to be recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals, and skills deficient individuals. This does not mean that only veterans, recipients of public assistance, low-income, and skills deficient individuals can receive WIOA-funded adult services. Individuals do not have to be a part of a priority population to be eligible for the Adult program, however priority of service must be applied as prescribed in this chapter. Determination of an individual's low-income status is discussed in Chapter 8 of this TAG.

In alignment with California's Unified Strategic Workforce Development Plan (State Plan), work2future has additional priority groups for the Local Area (e.g., residents of the Local Area, individuals with disabilities, formerly incarcerated and justice-involved, etc.) provided the work2future policy is consistent with priority of service for veterans and the priority provisions WIOA Section 134(c)(3)(E) and Title 20 CFR Section 680.600, and any additional populations identified for priority are not to be interpreted as additional eligibility criteria. Any additional priority populations identified by work2future shall be reflected in the work2future policy.

(References: WIOA Section 134(c)(3)(E); Title 20 CFR Sections 680.650, 680.120, and 680.600[b]-[c], and 1010.200; TEGL 19-16; State Plan; WSD15-14 and WSD19-04)

work2future criteria for applying and monitoring priority for service for recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals, and skills deficient individuals within the Adult program:

For work2future, the next order of priority of service shall be given, Priority 2 as noted at the end of this chapter, to individuals who are, not part of the Priority 1 group, the recipient of public assistance, other low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient. Information about basic skills deficient is available in Chapter 9 Definitions. Note that most Adult program participants shall be individuals who are, veterans and eligible spouses included, recipient of public assistance, other low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient. work2future has a monitoring procedure in place to ensure the priority of service policy is applied for adult program participants.

work2future policy adding other priority group(s):

For work2future, any individual who does not belong to one of the Priority Groups 1-3 as noted at the end of this chapter but part of one or more of the following groups shall be given priority of service before other individuals:

• An individual with a Barrier to Employment (detailed list in the definition section of this document).

Written copies of work2future priority of service policies shall be accessible and, to the extent practicable, posted in a way that makes it possible for members of the general public to easily obtain the information.

4.4 Applying Priority of Service

The application of priority of service varies depending on the eligibility requirements of the particular program. The following describes how priority of service applies within certain types of DOL-funded programs:

Universal Access Programs

Basic career services are universally accessible and must be made available to all individuals seeking employment and training services in at least one comprehensive AJCC per Local Area. While veterans and eligible spouses must receive priority of service over all other program participants, priority for low-income and basic skills deficient populations does not apply to basic career services in either the adult or dislocated worker programs.

• Programs with Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility criteria identify basic conditions a participant in a specific program must meet. For example, for the WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs, every participant is required to meet the general program eligibility requirements listed in Chapter 3 of this TAG. A veteran or eligible spouse must first meet all of these eligibility criteria in order to be considered eligible for participation in the program. Once determined eligible for participation, the veteran or eligible spouse receives priority for participation in the program and receipt of services.

• Programs with Statutory Priorities

Some programs are required by law to provide a priority preference for a particular group of individuals or require the program to spend a certain portion of program funds on a particular group. One example is the Adult program priority for recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals, and individuals who are basic skills deficient. Veterans and eligible spouses must first meet both the program's eligibility criteria and statutory priority criteria to receive priority for participation in the program and receipt of services.

Note – For income-based eligibility and for priority of service determinations, many types of military service-related income are exempt, including any amounts received as military pay or allowances paid while on active duty, or paid by the VA for vocational rehabilitation disability payments, or related VA-funded programs. For detailed information on which types of military pay that are exempt, refer to TEGL 10-09, Attachment A.

Priority of Service Levels

Priority must be provided in the following order for programs that require it:

| Levels of Priority of Service | | |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Priority 1 | Veterans and eligible spouses who are also recipients of public assistance, other | |
| | low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient. | |
| Priority 2 | Individuals who are the recipient of public assistance, other low-income | |
| | individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient. | |
| Priority 3 | Veterans and eligible spouses who are not recipients of public assistance, other | |
| | low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient. | |
| Priority 4 | Any individual who does not belong to one of the above groups but belongs to a | |
| | priority population established by the Governor or by work2future. | |
| Priority 5 | All other individuals who do not meet the above priorities. | |

(References: TEGL 10-09 and TEGL 19-16; WSD15-14 and WSD19-04)

Chapter 5 - Eligibility Criteria for Career and Training Services

The WIOA authorizes the following services:

- Basic Career Services
- Individualized Career Services
- Training Services

While there are distinctions made between the types of services available (basic career services, individualized career services, and training services), individuals are not required to follow a sequence of services. work2future has the flexibility to provide services that best meet an individual's needs for the employment and career goals.

(References: WIOA Section 134(c)(2)(A); Title 20 CFR Section 678.430; TEGL 19-16)

5.1 Eligibility for Career Services

For staff-assisted basic career services and individualized career services, work2future shall identify the assessments to be used to determine eligibility and ensure eligibility determination procedures are consistent with state policies. work2future staff may use recent interviews, evaluations, or assessments by partner programs to determine if individualized career services would be appropriate. Included below, work2future policy and procedures to be used for assessments.

(References: WIOA Section 134(c)(2); Title 20 CFR Section 678.430; TEGL 19-16)

work2future policy and procedures to be used for assessments for services:

For work2future, the initial basic assessment for career services can include activities such as basic skill proficiency evaluation for employment; career aptitudes, abilities, and skill assessments through interviews and use of specialized tools; and supportive service need assessments identified through interviews and conversations. Afterwards, individualized career services such as development of individualized service plans and objective assessment can include but not limited to the following:

- Assessing job-readiness skills.
- Identifying any barriers to employment.
- Establishing appropriate employment goals and/or exploring career pathways.
- Creating an individualized career and/or training service plans.

5.2 Eligibility for Training Services

Training services include WIOA-funded and non-WIOA-funded partner training services. There is no sequence of service requirement for training. This means that work2future staff may determine training is appropriate regardless of whether the individual has received any basic or individualized career services.

Before providing training services to adults and dislocated workers, work2future staff must conduct an interview, evaluation, or assessment to determine if the individual meets any of the following criteria:

- 1. Unlikely or unable to obtain or retain employment that leads to economic selfsufficiency or wages comparable to or higher than wages from previous employment through career services alone.
- 2. In need of training services to obtain or retain employment that leads to economic self-sufficiency or wages comparable to or higher than wages from previous employment.
- 3. Has the skills and qualifications to successfully participate in the selected program of training services.
- 4. Unable to obtain grant assistance from other sources to pay the costs of such training, including such sources as state-funded training funds or Federal Pell Grants established under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, or requires WIOA assistance in addition to other sources of grant assistance.
- 5. Selected a program of training services that is directly linked to the employment opportunities in the Local Area or region, or in another area to which the individual is willing to commute or relocate.
- Determined eligible in accordance with the state and work2future priority system in effect for adults, if training services are provided through the Adult program funding stream.

Where appropriate, work2future shall use previous assessments when making training determinations to reduce duplicate assessments and develop enhanced alignment across partner programs. This could include common intake forms across partner programs to encourage system alignment, reduce individual burden, and ensure customers greater access to programs based on the need.

The case file must contain a determination of need for training services as determined through the interview, evaluation, or assessment; career planning informed by work2future local board priority sectors and/or labor market information; or through any other career service received. There is no requirement that career services be provided as a condition to receipt of training services; however, if career services are not provided before training, work2future staff shall document the circumstances that justified its determination to provide training without first providing such services. There is no required minimum time period for an individual to participate in career services before receiving training service.

(References: WIOA Section 134(c)(3); Title 20 CFR Sections 680.210 and 680.220; TEGL 19-16)

5.3 Self-Sufficiency

In addition to providing career and training services to individuals who are unemployed, a significant number of job seekers are underemployed. Examples of underemployed individuals may include individuals who are any of the following:

- Employed less than full-time who are seeking full-time employment.
- Employed in a position that is inadequate with respect to their skills and training.
- Employed who meet the definition of a low-income individual in WIOA Section 3(36).
- Employed, but whose current job's earnings are not sufficient compared to their previous job's earnings.

To receive career or training services, employed adults and dislocated workers must be determined to be in need of those services to obtain or retain employment that allows for self-sufficiency. work2future sets criteria for determining whether employment leads to self-sufficiency. At a minimum, such criteria must provide that self-sufficiency means employment that pays at least 100 percent of the lower living standard income level (LLSIL) established for a Local Area.

When setting criteria to determine self-sufficiency, work2future shall consider different local conditions such as family size, an area's cost of living, and other local economic conditions. It may often occur that dislocated workers require a wage higher than the lower living standard income level to maintain self-sufficiency.

work2future also consider the special needs of individuals with disabilities or other barriers to employment when setting criteria to determine self-sufficiency. This provision helps ensure that career and training services are provided to those employed individuals who are the most in need of services. These may include individuals employed in low skill/low wage jobs.

work2future developed two sets of criteria for self-sufficiency: one for adults and another for dislocated workers. Self-sufficiency for dislocated workers may be defined in relation to a percentage of the layoff wage.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 680.210; TEGL 19-16; WSD23-02)

work2future criteria for self-sufficiency below:

work2future criteria for self-sufficiency:

For work2future, the local policy for self-sufficiency shall be defined as the family (gross) wages before deductions, that is 100 percent of the Lower Living Standard of Income Level (LLSIL) figure, used to determine self-sufficiency as published by the State Employment Development Department. For dislocated workers, including employment in a stop-gap temporary job, it is a wage that is equal to or greater than 80 percent of the wage at the time of dislocation.

Using WIOA Assistance in Addition to Other Sources of Grant Assistance

WIOA funding for training is limited to participants who are unable to obtain grant assistance from other sources to pay the cost of their training or who require assistance beyond that which is available under grant assistance from other sources to pay the cost of such training. Programs and training providers must coordinate funds available to pay for training. In making

the determination of need for WIOA assistance, work2future may take into account the full cost of participating in training, including support services and any other appropriate costs.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 680.230; TEGL 19-16)

5.4 Local Procedures and Eligibility Criteria

In contrast to Work First programs, which hold the philosophy that any job is a good job and that the best way to succeed is to enter the labor market, the WIOA encourages Local Boards to offer higher-quality education and training options that go beyond job search.

The State Plan describes the state's commitment to a High Road workforce development approach. The High Road system centers on meaningful industry engagement and placement of Californians in quality jobs that provide economic security. A key principle of the High Road approach is job quality by building the skills of the existing workforce and bringing new workers to the associated industry sector(s). Orienting the workforce development system toward job quality serves job seekers and workers by placing them in employment that allows them to sustain a high quality of life for themselves, their families, and broader community that depends on their earnings.

Local Boards may not adopt a "work first" approach in developing local procedures and eligibility criteria for individualized and training services. work2future has developed procedures and criteria designed to provide employment and training opportunities to those who can benefit from, and who are most in need of, such opportunities. The appropriate mix and duration of services shall be based on each participant's unique needs.

In developing local procedures and eligibility criteria for individualized and training services, WIOA-funded Adult and Dislocated Worker services may not duplicate or supplant services traditionally funded by the Wagner-Peyser Act (this does not preclude cooperative efforts among AJCC partners to provide seamless and comprehensive services to customers.)

When reviewing a participant's eligibility for basic career staff-assisted, individualized career, and training services, federal and state auditors and monitors will review a participant's eligibility for services against work2future's eligibility policy, procedures, and definitions. work2future eligibility policies and procedures shall comply with federal and state requirements.

(Reference: WIOA Section 194)

Included below, work2future policy and procedures for determining eligibility for services:

work2future policy and procedures for determining eligibility for training services:

For work2future, an individual can proceed to eligibility determination for training services after receiving an interview, evaluation, or assessment, participating in career planning, and meeting the need for training services. An individual is determined to be eligible for training services based on one or more of the following reasons:

- Unlikely or unable, and in need of training services, to obtain or retain employment leading to economic self-sufficiency or wages comparable to or higher than wages from previous employment through career services alone.
- Possesses the skills and qualifications to successfully participate in the selected program of training services.
- Training program is based on the work2future local plan, labor market research, and/or indemand industry and occupation that provide employment opportunities in the local area or the planning region, or in another area to which the individual is willing to commute or relocate.
- The Individual Employment Plan (IEP) has training as part of the action plan.

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To be eligible to receive dislocated worker services, an individual must meet the general WIOA eligibility criteria listed in Chapter 3 of this TAG and the criteria included in at least one of the dislocated worker categories outlined in this chapter. work2future may have policy, procedures and definitions established wherever there is flexibility authorized by the WIOA and regulations.

Once an individual is enrolled as a dislocated worker, the individual retains their eligibility as a dislocated worker until exited from the program regardless of employment status or earnings (e.g., an anticipated lay off or termination does not take place). If a participant becomes employed in a full-time, permanent job that pays a wage defined by work2future as self-sufficient or leading to self-sufficiency, the participant may continue to be served, as needed, until formally exited from the program. However, if it is expected that the participant will not receive any future services, follow-up services may begin immediately following placement into unsubsidized employment.

(Reference: TEGL 10-16, Change 3)

6.1 Determining Dislocated Worker Status

In order to receive services as a dislocated worker, an individual must meet one of the following five criteria:

- 1. **General Dislocation**. An individual must meet all of the following criteria:
 - a. An individual who was terminated or laid off, or who received a notice of termination or layoff, from employment. This includes a separation notice, under other than dishonorable conditions, from active military service.
 - b. Meets either of the following conditions:
 - (i) Is eligible for or has exhausted entitlement to unemployment compensation.
 - (ii) Has been employed for a duration sufficient to demonstrate attachment to the workforce but is not eligible for unemployment compensation due to insufficient earnings or because they performed services for an employer not covered under a state unemployment compensation law.
 - c. Is unlikely to return to a previous industry or occupation.
- 2. **Dislocation from Facility Closure/Substantial Layoff**. An individual must meet criteria a **or** b **or** c.
 - a. An individual who was terminated or laid off, or who received a notice of termination or layoff, from employment as a result of any permanent closure of, or substantial layoff at, a plant, facility, or enterprise.
 - b. An individual employed at a facility at which the employer made a general announcement that such facility will close within 180 days.

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- c. For purposes of eligibility for services other than training services included in WIOA Section 134(c)(3), career services included in WIOA Section 134(c)(2)(A)(xii), or supportive services, an individual must be employed at a facility at which the employer made a general announcement that such facility will close.
- 3. **Self-employed Dislocation**. An individual who was self-employed (including farmers, ranchers, fishermen, independent contractors, and consultants) but is unemployed as a result of general economic conditions declining in the community in which the individual resides or because of a natural disaster.
- 4. **Displaced Homemaker**. An individual who has been providing unpaid services to family members in the home and meets criteria a **and** b:
 - a. Meets either of the following conditions:
 - (i) Has been dependent on the income of another family member, but is no longer supported by that income (e.g., because the other family member was laid off, or because of death or divorce); or
 - (ii) Is the dependent spouse of a member of the US Armed Forces on active duty and whose family income has been significantly reduced because of the service member's deployment, call or order to active duty, permanent change of station, or service-connected death or disability.
 - b. Is unemployed or underemployed and having trouble obtaining or upgrading employment.
- 5. **Spouse of Military Service Member**. A spouse of a member of the Armed Forces on active duty who meets either criteria a **or** b:
 - a. Has experienced a loss of employment as a direct result of relocation to accommodate a permanent change in the service member's duty station.
 - b. Is unemployed or underemployed and having trouble obtaining or upgrading employment.

(References: WIOA Sections 3(15)-(16); Title 20 CFR Sections 680.130, 680.660, and 682.305; TEGL 19-16)

Refer to Section 6.2 for local definitions and standards for the eligibility criteria.

6.2 Definitions and Standards for Eligibility Criteria

The DOL defers to states and work2future to define certain eligibility terms. This chapter provides recommendations for defining these terms. work2future has established definitions to use in determining an individual's eligibility as a dislocated worker, so the definitions are consistent with the dislocated worker definition in WIOA Section 3(15).

(Reference: Title 20 CFR Section 680.130)

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Attachment to the Workforce – "Attachment to the workforce" is not defined in the WIOA or DOL regulations. work2future defines this term to assist staff in identifying dislocated workers who are not eligible for unemployment compensation but who have been employed for a duration sufficient to demonstrate an attachment to the workforce (e.g., someone who has worked at least three consecutive months during the last 12 months). Verification of attachment to the workforce is only necessary when an applicant was employed by an employer who is not covered under UI or has not worked a sufficient amount of time to qualify for UI.

Additionally, a separating service member who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable, has demonstrated attachment to the workforce.

(References: WIOA Section 3(15)(A)(ii); Title 20 CFR Section 680.660)

work2future definition of attachment to the workforce:

For work2future, an individual, at the time of WIOA application, was attached to the workforce if the individual was employed full- or part-time within the last two years.

Difficulty in Obtaining or Upgrading Employment – The "difficulty in obtaining or upgrading employment" criterion is used as part of the displaced homemaker criteria but is not defined in the WIOA or regulations. work2future defined this term in order to assist staff in identifying displaced homemakers.

work2future definition for difficulty in obtaining or upgrading employment:

For work2future, difficulty in obtaining or upgrading employment for an unemployed or underemployed displaced homemaker shall be defined as one or more of the following:

- Working part-time, which may not allow for self-sufficiency, but desires full-time employment.
- Working a job that does not commensurate with the individual's demonstrated level of educational attainment and/or prior work experience.
- Working only short-term (less than 4 months) jobs during the previous 15 month.
- Seeking job assistance with one or more substantial barriers to employment.

General Announcement – "General announcement" of intended layoff is not defined in the WIOA or DOL regulations. work2future has established criteria for this term and requires a credible source of information, or a documented confirmation from the employer (e.g., a newspaper article, a memorandum from the employer to all employees, a notice posted in the affected facility, notification to applicable labor unions, or any other forms of public notice).

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work2future criteria for general announcement:

For work2future, a general announcement shall be defined as an announcement by an employer, a recognized media, or a public notice documenting an employer's intent to do one or more of the following:

- Close operation.
- Have a substantial layoff of 50 or more employees at one location.

General Economic Conditions – "General economic conditions" is not defined in the WIOA or DOL regulations. work2future has established criteria for this term, and the criteria include, among other conditions, self-employment which locally has little demand or has been declining, or the local economy is declining.

work2future criteria for general economic conditions:

For work2future, general economic conditions declining for the self-employed individual shall be defined as one or more of the following:

- The local metro area has an unemployment rate above 6 percent.
- The local industry or occupation, the self-employed person was previously worked in, is no longer in demand.

Substantial Layoff – "Substantial layoff" is not defined in the WIOA or DOL regulations. The Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) protects employees and communities by requiring that employers give a 60-day notice to the affected employees and both state and local representatives prior to a plant closing or mass layoff. In California, the threshold for WARN notification, which can be interpreted as a substantial layoff, is any plant closure affecting any number of employees, or a layoff of 50 or more employees within a 30-day period regardless of the percentage of the workforce, or relocation of at least 100 miles affecting any number of employees.

Unlikely to Return – "Unlikely to return" is not defined in the WIOA or DOL regulations. work2future defines "unlikely to return" to assist staff in identifying dislocated workers. Any of the following considerations may be helpful in defining "unlikely to return":

 Worked in a declining industry/occupation, as documented on state or locally developed lists of such industries/occupations. State lists are available from the EDD's Labor Market Information Division. Local lists must be developed by an appropriate entity, such as the Chamber of Commerce, Local Board, economic development agency, a qualified consultant/educational entity, or other valid public use quality source of labor market information.

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- Has had a lack of job offers as documented by local EDD Workforce Services or UI staff, rejection letters from employers in the area, or other documentation of unsuccessful efforts to obtain employment in the prior industry/occupation.
- Worked in an industry/occupation with limited job orders in the CalJOBS system at the time of eligibility determination, as certified by staff.
- Is insufficiently educated and/or does not have the necessary skills for reentry into the former industry/occupation, as documented through the assessment of the individual's educational achievement, testing, or other suitable means.
- Has physical or other challenges which would preclude reentry into the former industry/occupation, as documented by a physician or other professional (e.g., psychiatrist, psychiatric social worker, chiropractor, etc.).

"Unlikely to return" may be defined in terms of family, personal, or financial circumstances that may affect the likelihood of the individual returning to their previous occupation or industry for employment. work2future definition shall not be based solely on economic conditions and job availability.

If an individual is likely to return to their previous industry or occupation, they should not be served as a dislocated worker during the period leading up to the date of their return to work but may be served in the Adult program.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 680.130; TEGL 19-16)

Farmworkers, Ranchers, and Fishermen – Individuals that may have worked seasonally can be considered "unlikely to return" to work in a previous industry or occupation for a variety of reasons:

- 1. Change in family situation that requires higher income.
- 2. Disability that precludes returning to the same occupation.
- 3. Natural disaster that results in lost wages.
- 4. Loss of agricultural land.
- 5. Mechanization.
- 6. Any significant variance to normal seasonal employment patterns resulting in uncertain return-to-work dates.

Additionally, permanent closures or a substantial layoff from agricultural enterprises or facilities such as packaging or canneries are not excluded from the standard under the WIOA. The WIOA Section 3(15)(C) standard regarding those that were self-employed includes employment as farmers, ranchers, or fishermen and are unemployed due to economic conditions that resulted from general economic conditions in the community in which the individual resides or because of natural disasters. These conditions may include extreme or unusual weather patterns and agricultural and fishing market downturns.

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Profiled and Referred UI Claimants — UI profiling refers to a process which uses an automated system to identify claimants likely to exhaust regular UI benefits. After a UI claim is filed and a first payment is made, the EDD's Worker Profiling and Reemployment Services System identifies claimants likely to exhaust their benefits and refers those claimants to the mandatory Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) through the CalJOBS system.

The Governor has determined that the UI profiling methodology and referral process meets the dislocated worker eligibility criteria in WIOA Section 3(15). In this instance, if an individual receives an RESEA appointment then no further documentation is needed to establish the "unlikely to return" criterion at WIOA 3(15)(A)(iii).

(Reference: Title 20 CFR Section 680.130[b][3])

work2future definition of unlikely to return:

For work2future, unlikely to return at the time of WIOA application shall be defined as one or more of the following reasons:

- An individual who, at the time of application, a) is determined to be working in a
 declining industry or occupation, or b) has a lack of job offers, or c) has worked in an
 industry or occupation for which there are limited job orders posted as certified by
 local EDD field office personnel; or
- An individual who has physical or other problems which would preclude reentry into the former industry or occupation, as documented by a physician or other applicable professional; or
- An individual who has been referred through the Worker Profiling and Reemployment Services System; or
- Worked in a declining industry/occupation, (for which there are limited job orders) as
 documented on State or locally-developed lists of such industries/occupations. State
 lists are available from the Employment Development Department's (EDD) Labor
 Market Information Division. Local lists must be developed by an appropriate entity,
 such as the Chamber of Commerce, the local board, economic development agency, a
 qualified consultant/educational entity, or other valid public use quality source of labor
 market information; or
- Has had a lack of job offers as documented by the local Job Service/Unemployment Insurance (UI) office, rejection letters from employers in the area, or other documentation of unsuccessful efforts to obtain employment in the prior industry/occupation; or
- Is insufficiently educated and/or does not have the necessary skills for reentry into the former industry/occupation, as documented through the assessment of the client's educational achievement levels, testing, or other suitable means; or
- Has physical or other problems, which would preclude reentry into the former industry/occupation, as documented by a physician or other applicable professional

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(e.g., psychiatrist, psychiatric social worker, chiropractor, etc.) or

- Family, personal, or financial circumstances that may affect the likelihood of the individual's returning to his or her previous occupation or industry for employment
- Military Wife/spouse; or
- Farm workers:
 - Change in family situation that requires higher income;
 - o Disability that precludes returning to the same occupation;
 - Natural disaster that results in lost wages;
 - Loss of agricultural land;
 - o Mechanization; or
 - Any significant variance to normal seasonal employment patterns, resulting in uncertain return-to-work dates.
- Additionally, permanent closures or a substantial layoff from agricultural enterprises
 and facilities such as packaging, canneries, or farming are not excluded from the
 standard regarding those that were self-employed (including employment as a farmer,
 a rancher, or a fisherman) and are unemployed due to economic conditions that
 resulted from extreme or unusual weather patterns and agricultural market downturns
 can also apply to farm workers.

6.3 Layoffs, Furloughs, Temporary Layoffs, and Lockouts

Layoff – The permanent or temporary termination of employment of an employee due to a position being abolished, insufficient funds, lack of work, or any other reason not reflecting discredit on the employee (such as dismissal for inadequate performance, violation of workplace rules, cause, etc.).

Furlough – The placing of an employee in a temporary status without duties and pay because of lack of work or funds or other non-disciplinary reasons (Title 5 USC Section 7511[a][5]). As such, it is a temporary termination of employment or layoff.

Individuals that are furloughed are laid off. Depending on the local definition of "unlikely to return," the circumstances of the applicant, and local economic conditions, furloughed individuals may or may not be likely to return to their previous industry or occupation. work2future is in the best position to make this determination. If these individuals are likely to return to their previous industry or occupation and need more than basic career services, they may be served as adults, provided they meet the general eligibility criteria outlined in Chapter 3 of this TAG. In some cases, a business, company, or corporation's furloughs are in fact substantial layoffs and the "unlikely to return" provision does not apply. work2future has the discretion to define substantial layoff since the definition depends on local economic conditions.

Lockout – Any refusal by an employer to permit any group of five or more employees to work as a result of a dispute with such employees affecting wages, hours, or other terms or conditions of employment of such employees (California Labor Code Section 1132.8). A lockout does not

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terminate the employer-employee relationship, so locked out employees are not eligible dislocated workers since they have not been terminated or laid off, they are not eligible for unemployment compensation, and they are likely to return to the same industry or occupation once the dispute is resolved. The same guidance applies to employees that are on strike. There may be locked out employees who for financial reasons seek other employment. These individuals may be served as adults, provided they meet the general eligibility criteria outlined in Chapter 3.

6.4 Veterans and Military Spouses

Armed Forces – Includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Space Force, and Coast Guard. (Reference: 10 USC Section 101[4])

Active Duty – Full-time duty in the active military service of the United States Armed Forces. Active duty includes full-time training duty, annual training duty, and attendance, while in the active military services, at a school designated as a service school by law or by the Secretary of the military department concerned. Such term does not include full-time National Guard duty. (Reference: Title 10 USC Section 101[d][1])

Veterans

One of the criteria used to establish eligibility for a dislocated worker is determining whether the worker was terminated or laid off. Per the DOL, a separating service member with a discharge that is anything other than dishonorable qualifies the individual for dislocated worker activities provided:

- The separating service member has received a DD Form 214 Report of Separation or other documentation showing a separation or imminent separation from the Armed Forces to satisfy the termination or layoff part of the dislocated worker eligibility criteria.
- 2. The separating service member qualifies for the dislocated worker eligibility criteria on eligibility for or exhaustion of unemployment compensation.
- 3. As a separating service member, the individual meets the dislocated worker eligibility criteria that the individual is unlikely to return to the previous industry.

(Reference: Title 20 CFR Section 680.660)

Military Spouses

Military Spouse – An individual who is married to a member of the Armed Forces on active duty or the surviving spouse of an active-duty service member who lost their life while on active-duty service. Consistent with TEGL 26-13, the definition of "military spouse" includes same-sex spouses.

The WIOA expanded the definition of dislocated workers and displaced homemakers to include military spouses. A military spouse qualifies for dislocated worker activities provided the following:

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- 1. The military spouse meets the WIOA general eligibility criteria; and
- The military spouse has experienced a loss of employment as a direct result of relocation to accommodate a permanent change in duty station of the spouse, or is unemployed or underemployed and experiencing difficulty in obtaining or upgrading employment; or
- 3. The military spouse's family income is significantly reduced because of any of the following:
 - a. A deployment.
 - b. A call to active duty.
 - c. A permanent change of station.
 - d. The service-connected death or disability of the service member.

(References: WIOA Sections 3[15][E] and 3[16][A]; TEGL 19-16)

The term "whose family income is significantly reduced" is not defined in the WIOA or the DOL regulations. work2future has established criteria for this term.

work2future criteria for significantly reduced family income for veterans and military spouses:

For work2future, the local criteria for significantly reduced family income for veterans and military spouses shall be defined as experiencing one or more of the following:

- A deployment.
- A call to active duty.
- A permanent change of station.
- The service-connected death or disability of the service member.
- A family income that is less than 80 percent of the family income at the time of dislocation or the family income for the prior calendar year.

6.5 Related Definitions

Employment Status – This following information is to be collected directly from the individual, not from wage records.

- 1. Employed
 - a. Did any work at all as a paid, unsubsidized employee on the date participation occurs.
 - b. Worked 15 hours or more in an unpaid job on a farm or business operated by a family member. (Reference: TEGL 10-16, Change 3, Attachment 1)
- Employed, but received notice of termination or military separation
 - a. Has received a notice of termination of employment or the employer has issued a Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) or other notice that the facility or enterprise will close.

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b. Is a transitioning service member.

3. Not Employed

- a. Those that do not meet any one of the conditions described above.
- 4. Underemployed
 - a. Individuals employed less than full-time who are seeking full-time employment.
 - b. Individuals who are employed in a position that is inadequate with respect to their skills and training.
 - c. Individuals who are employed and meet the definition of low-income.
 - d. Individuals who are employed, but whose current job earnings are not sufficient compared to their previous job earnings from their previous employment.

(Reference: TEGL 19-16)

Chapter 7 - Additional Eligibility Criteria for Youth

To be eligible to receive youth services, an individual must meet the general WIOA eligibility criteria listed in Chapter 3 of this TAG and the additional program eligibility criteria included in this chapter. work2future policy, procedures and definitions are established wherever there is flexibility authorized by the WIOA and DOL regulations.

work2future provides case management to all youth participants. Case management is the act of connecting youth to appropriate services and begins at the point of enrollment and must continue throughout program participation and follow-up. Note that, case management is not a program element and does not extend a youth's participation.

work2future also provides each participant with information on all applicable or appropriate services that are available through the AJCC system that support the participant's individual service strategy and ensure participants receive referrals to appropriate training and educational programs that have the capacity to serve the participant.

(References: WIOA Sections 129(c)(3)(A)(i) and (ii); 20 Title CFR Section 681.420(a)(3); TEGL 21-16)

7.1 Eligibility for Out-of-School Youth Services

To receive services as an OS youth, an individual must meet the following requirements.

Eligible OS Youth – Meets the definition provided below:

- 1. Not less than 18 years of age and not more than 24 years of age.
- 2. Not attending any secondary or postsecondary school.
- 3. Has one or more of the following barriers in the table below:
 A youth only needs to meet one of these barriers. However, work2future shall document all barriers that apply.

The following table provides clarity on the requirements to meet OS youth eligibility:

| Definition of Barriers for Eligibility of OS Youth: | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Barrier 1 | A secondary school dropout. | | | |
| Barrier 2 | Within the age of compulsory school attendance but has not attended school for at least the most recent complete school year quarter. | | | |
| Barrier 3 | A recipient of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent who is a low-income individual <u>and</u> is either basic skills deficient or an English language learner. | | | |
| Barrier 4 | An offender. | | | |
| Barrier 5 | A homeless individual. | | | |

| Definition of Barriers for Eligibility of OS Youth: | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | A runaway. | | | | | |
| | In foster care. | | | | | |
| | Has aged out of the foster care system. | | | | | |
| Barrier 6 | Has attained 16 years of age and left foster care for kinship, | | | | | |
| | guardianship, or adoption. | | | | | |
| | A child eligible for assistance under Section 477 of the Social Security | | | | | |
| | Act (42 USC Section 677). | | | | | |
| | In an out-of-home placement. | | | | | |
| Barrier 7 | Pregnant or parenting (including custodial and non-custodial parents). | | | | | |
| Barrier 8 | A youth with a disability. | | | | | |
| Barrier 9 | A low-income individual who requires additional assistance to enter or | | | | | |
| Dairiei 9 | complete an education program or to secure or hold employment. | | | | | |

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 681.210; WSD17-07)

7.2 Eligibility for In-School Youth Services

To receive services as an in-school (IS) youth, an individual must meet the following requirements.

Eligible IS Youth – Meets the definition provided below:

- 1. Is not less than 16 years of age and not more than 21 years of age (Youths with disabilities who are in an individualized education program at the age of 22 may be enrolled as an IS youth).
- 2. Attending school, including secondary and postsecondary school.
- 3. Low-income individual.
- 4. Has one or more of the following barriers: A youth only needs to meet one of the IS youth barriers in the table below, however work2future shall document all barriers with the following exception: IS youth who require additional assistance to complete an education program or secure or hold employment.

The following table provides clarity on the requirements to meet IS youth eligibility.

| Definition of Barriers for Eligibility of IS Youth: | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Barrier 1 | Basic skills deficient. | | | | |
| Barrier 2 | An English language learner. | | | | |
| Barrier 3 | An offender. | | | | |
| Barrier 4 | A homeless individual. | | | | |
| Dairiei 4 | • A runaway. | | | | |
| Barrier 5 | In foster care. | | | | |

| Definition of | Barriers for Eligibility of IS Youth: | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Has aged out of the foster care system. Has attained 16 years of age and left foster care for kinship, guardianship, or adoption. A child eligible for assistance under Section 477 of the Social Se Act (42 USC Section 677). In an out-of-home placement. | | | | | |
| Barrier 6 | Pregnant or parenting (including custodial and non-custodial parents). | | | | |
| Barrier 7 | A youth with a disability. | | | | |
| | A low-income youth who requires additional assistance to complete an education program or to secure or hold employment. | | | | |
| Barrier 8 | Note: No more than five percent of IS youth enrolled in a given program year may be found eligible based solely on meeting this category. WIOA Youth programs should only report IS youth as having this barrier if it is the only barrier, and therefore the barrier is used for eligibility determination. | | | | |

(References: WIOA Section 129(a)(3); Title 20 CFR Sections 681.220 and 681.310; TEGL 09-22; WSD17-07)

Five Percent Limitation for In-School Youth Eligibility

At work2future, not more than five percent of the IS youth newly enrolled in a given program year (PY) may be eligible based on the "requires additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment" criterion. To ensure as many IS youth as possible are served, work2future only report a youth as having this barrier if it is the only barrier.

Note – The five percent limitation for IS youth who require additional assistance is not the same as the five percent low-income exception.

(Reference: TEGL 09-22)

7.3 Five Percent Low-Income Eligibility Exception

The WIOA maintains a five percent low-income eligibility exception under which five percent of youth enrolled who ordinarily would need to be low-income do not need to meet the low-income provision. A program must calculate the five percent based on the percent of newly enrolled youth in the WIOA Youth program in a given PY who would ordinarily be required to meet the low-income requirement.

To determine whether a youth must be low-income in order to qualify for the Youth program, work2future shall first consider whether the participant is an OS youth or IS youth. The low-income requirement applies only to OS youth with certain barriers (see the section on Eligibility

for OS Youth), whereas all IS youth must be low-income unless the five percent eligibility exception is applied.

The five percent low-income exception may include OS youth, IS youth, or a combination of both, but must not exceed five percent of all WIOA youth participants served in a given PY.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 681.250; WSD17-07)

7.4 Local Definitions and Eligibility Criteria

Basic Skills Deficient – Meets the following definition with respect to an individual:

- 1. A youth who has English, reading, writing, or computing skills at or below the 8th grade level of a generally accepted standardized test.
 - In assessing basic skills, work2future and program partners use assessment evaluations that are valid and appropriate for the target population, and must provide reasonable accommodation in the assessment process, if necessary, for individuals with disabilities.
- 2. A youth or adult who is unable to compute or solve problems, or read, write, or speak English at a level necessary to function on the job, in the individual's family, or in society.

Criteria used to determine whether an individual is basic skills deficient includes the following:

- Lacks a high school diploma or high school equivalency and is not enrolled in secondary education.
- Enrolled in a Title II Adult Education/Literacy program.
- English, reading, writing, or computing skills at an 8.9 or below grade level.
- Determined to be Limited English Skills proficient through staff-documented observations.
- Other objective criteria determined to be appropriate by the Local Area and documented in its required policy.

Refer to the WIOA Acceptable Source Documentation Tables in the Appendix for more detailed information on determining whether an individual meets the basic skills deficient criterion.

The WIOA and DOL regulations do not further define the level of literacy necessary to function on the job, in the individual's family, or in society. Survival skills such as computer skills, balancing a checkbook, budgeting a family's income, or filing a tax return, may be considerations when defining these areas. Such definitions may provide greater flexibility in achieving basic skills goals for an individual who is basic skills deficient and may have difficulty achieving an 8th grade level of literacy within a specified program period.

work2future definition and eligibility documentation requirements for "deficient in basic literacy skills" below:

work2future definition of deficient in basic literacy skills:

For work2future, deficient in basic literacy skills shall be defined as having one or more of the following:

- Lacks a high school diploma or high school equivalency and is not enrolled in post-secondary education.
- Enrolled in a Title II Adult Education/Literacy program.
- English, reading, writing, or computing skills at or below the 8th grade level.
- Determined to be Limited English Skills proficient through staff-documented observations.
- Other objective criteria determined to be appropriate by the work2future-Director,
 Program Manager, or the authorized representative of the WIOA Service Provider and
 documented in the case file such as case note of the participant status for a specific
 data element, the date which the information was obtained, and the authorized
 representative gathering the information.

(References: WIOA 3[5]; Title 20 CFR Section 681.290; WSD15-14)

Use of Funds for Youth Who Require Additional Assistance

Section 7.2 describes the five percent limitation for IS youth where no more than five percent of IS youth in a given PY may be found eligible based on the criterion "requires additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment."

For OS youth, the criterion is similar, but the provision is changed to add the phrase "to enter": an individual who requires additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment.

work2future has established local definitions and eligibility documentation requirements for "requires additional assistance" as it relates to both OS youth and IS youth. work2future policy is reasonable, quantifiable, and based on evidence that the specific characteristic of the youth identified in the policy objectively requires additional assistance. As outlined in the State Plan, examples could include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Has repeated at least one secondary grade level or is one year over age for grade.
- Has a core grade point average (GPA) of less than 1.5.
- For each year of secondary education, is at least two semester credits behind the rate required to graduate from high school.
- Is emancipated youth.
- Has aged out of foster care.

- A previous dropout or has been suspended five or more times or has been expelled.
- Has received court/agency referrals mandating school attendance.
- Is deemed at risk of dropping out of school by a school official.
- Has been referred to or is being treated by an agency for a substance abuse-related problem.
- Has experienced recent traumatic events, a victims of abuse, or reside in an abusive environment as documented by a school official or other qualified professional.
- Has serious emotional, medical, or psychological problems as documented by a professional.
- Has never held a job (applies to older youth).
- Has been fired from a job within the 12 months prior to application (applies to OS youth).
- Has never held a full-time job for more than 13 consecutive weeks (applies to OS youth).

Again, the eligibility criterion is slightly different for IS youth and OS youth, in that the criterion for OS youth contains the phrase "to enter or complete an education program" while the IS youth language states "to complete an education program." The DOL determined that the difference is significant enough to require work2future to establish definition of "requires additional assistance" for both OS youth and IS youth.

(References: Title 20 Sections 681.300 – 681.310; WSD17-07)

Included below, work2future definition for an IS youth who "requires additional assistance":

An In-School Youth, who requires additional assistance to complete an educational program, or to secure and hold employment, has experienced one or more of the following:

- Has repeated at least one secondary grade level or is one year over age for grade.
- Has a core grade point average (GPA) of less than 1.5.
- For each year of secondary education, is at least two semester credits behind the rate required to graduate from high school.
- Is an emancipated youth.
- Has aged out of foster care.
- Has been a dropout or has been suspended five or more times or has been expelled.
- Has received court/agency referrals mandating school attendance.
- Is deemed at risk of dropping out of school by a school official.
- Has been referred to or is being treated by an agency for a substance abuse related problem.
- Has experienced recent traumatic events, is a victim of abuse, or resides in an abusive environment as documented by a school official or other qualified professional.
- Has serious emotional, medical or psychological problems as documented by a professional.

Included below, work2future definition for an OS youth who "requires additional assistance":

An Out-of-School Youth, who requires additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program, or to secure and hold employment, has experienced one or more of the following:

- Had repeated at least one secondary grade level or was one year over age for grade.
- Had a core grade point average (GPA) of less than 1.5.
- For each year of secondary education, was at least two semester credits behind the rate required to graduate from high school.
- Is an emancipated youth.
- Has aged out of foster care.
- Was previously suspended five or more times or had been expelled.
- Had received court/agency referrals mandating school attendance.
- Was a dropout as noted by a school official document or by self-attestation for an individual age 18 to 24.
- Has been referred to or is being treated by an agency for a substance abuse related problem.
- Has experienced recent traumatic events, was a victim of abuse, or resides in an abusive environment as documented by a school official or other qualified professional.
- Has serious emotional, medical, or psychological problems as documented by a professional.
- Has never held a job.
- Has been fired from a job within the 12 months prior to application.
- Has never held a full-time job for more than 13 consecutive weeks.

Compulsory School Age – Compulsory school attendance in California is between the ages 6 and 18. On a youth's 18th birthday, the youth is no longer subject to compulsory attendance, but the youth may continue to attend school until high school graduation. The CDE strongly recommend that 18-year-old high school students finish their high school education, but it is not a legal mandate for them to attend after their 18th birthday. (Reference: Education Code [EC] Section 48200) A youth who chooses not to attend school after the 18th birthday may be reported as a dropout.

Dropout – School dropouts and youth who are within the age of compulsory school attendance but have not attended school for at least the most recent complete school year quarter are two separate barriers but share many of the same characteristics. The confusion for a youth within compulsory school age is determining an exact date for when dropout occurred or if instead the Local Area must wait one school quarter for the youth to qualify for the OS Youth program.

Neither the California Department of Education (CDE) nor the US Department of Education (DOE) have established a set number of days a student must miss before the school determines

dropout status. Instead, the CDE and DOE define dropout for the purpose of annual statistics. Local educational agencies are responsible to report student exit codes for annual dropout rate statistics to the CDE (California Education Code 48070.6). This means work2future working with school districts and/or youth are in the best position to determine dropout status.

Note that a school district may designate a youth as a dropout prior to the end of a school quarter, which would qualify the youth as a dropout. Conversely, a school district may not report dropout status well past a school quarter, in which case the youth may qualify under the compulsory school age barrier.

The following table will help distinguish these two barriers:

| Dropout | Within compulsory school age |
|---|---|
| Age 16-24 years old | Age 16-17 years old |
| Not attending school | Not attending school |
| Has not received a secondary diploma or GED | Has not received a secondary diploma or GED |
| No specific wait time: The school district identifies a youth who is under 18 years of age as a dropout. The youth is 18 - 24 years old and self-attests to dropout status. This includes 18-year-olds who attend school on the day previous to dropping out. | Must not have attended school for a school/calendar quarter. |

Truancy – California defines truancy as being absent from school without a valid excuse three full days in one year or tardy or absent more than any 30-minute period during the school day without a valid excuse on three occasions in one year, or any combination thereof, unless excused or exempted. A truant (and also a dropout) is in violation of California's compulsory school attendance laws and is subject to arrest, and the parents are subject to infraction fines. Additionally, a school district is not permitted to sanction violation of truancy laws by issuing a youth a work permit. A truant (and also a dropout) is subject to arrest, and the parents are subject to infraction fines if the minor is found working without a work permit.

(References: EC Sections 48260, 48264, 48293, and 49112)

7.5 Youth Related Definitions

Attending School – an individual is considered to be attending school if the individual is enrolled in secondary or postsecondary school. If a youth is between high school graduation and postsecondary education, the youth is considered an IS youth if they are registered for postsecondary education, even if they have not yet begun postsecondary classes. However, if

the youth registers for postsecondary education, but does not follow through with attending classes, the youth is considered OS youth if the eligibility determination is made after the youth decided not to attend postsecondary education. Youth on summer break are considered IS youth if they are enrolled to continue school in the fall.

Not Attending School – an individual who is not attending a secondary or postsecondary school. In addition, individuals enrolled in the following programs would be considered an OS youth for eligibility purposes:

- WIOA Title II Adult Education, YouthBuild, Job Corps, high school equivalency program, or dropout re-engagement programs. However, youth attending high school equivalency programs funded by the public K-12 school system who are classified by the school system as still enrolled in school are the exception; they are considered IS youth.
- Non-credit bearing postsecondary classes only.
 Note Youth enrolled in any credit-bearing postsecondary education classes, including credit-bearing community college classes and credit-bearing continuing education classes, then they are considered attending postsecondary education, and, therefore, an IS youth.
- A charter school program that provides instruction exclusively in partnership with WIOA, federally funded YouthBuild programs, federal Job Corps training, instruction, California Conservation Corps or a state certified local conservation corps (in alignment with EC Section 47612.1).

More detailed guidance related to determining an individual's school status can be found in TEGL 21-16.

(References: 20 CFR Sections 681.210-681.230; TEGL 21-16; State Plan; WSD17-07)

Offender – Any adult or juvenile who meets the following criteria:

- 1. Is or has been subject to any stage of the criminal justice process, for whom services under the WIOA may be beneficial.
- 2. Requires assistance in overcoming artificial barriers to employment resulting from a record of arrest or conviction.

(Reference: WIOA Section 3[38])

Out-of-Home Placement – Encompasses the placements and services provided to youths and families when youths must be removed from their homes because of safety concerns, as a result of serious parent-youth conflict, or to treat serious physical or behavioral health conditions which cannot be addressed within the family. Youths in out-of-home care may live in a number of possible settings. These include kinship or relatives' homes, family foster homes,

treatment foster homes, or group or residential care. (US Department of Health and Human Services information)

Pregnant or Parenting Youth – An individual who is pregnant or a custodial or non-custodial parent including non-custodial fathers.

Postsecondary School – Postsecondary education means a formal institutional educational program whose instruction is designed primarily for students who have completed or terminated their secondary education or are beyond the compulsory age of secondary education, including programs whose purpose is academic, vocational, or continuing professional education. (EC 94857)

School Dropout – an individual who is no longer attending any school and who has not received a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent (WIOA Section 3[54]). In accordance with TEGL 08-15, this term does not include individuals who dropped out of postsecondary school.

Secondary School – a nonprofit institutional day or resident school, including a public secondary charter school, that provides secondary education, as determined under state law, except that the term does not include any education beyond grade 12 (Title 20 USC Section 1401[27]).

Chapter 8 - Low-Income Individual Determination

The determination of low-income status applies to the WIOA Youth and Adult programs.

8.1 Low-Income Individual

Low-Income Individual - An individual, who meets the following criteria:

- 1. Receives, or in the past six months has received, or is a member of a family that receives or in the past six months has received:
 - a. Supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP).
 - b. Temporary assistance for needy families (TANF).
 - c. Supplemental security income (SSI).
 - d. Federal, State, and Local income-based public assistance.
- 2. Is in a family with total family income that does not exceed the higher of the following:
 - a. The federal poverty line.
 - b. Seventy percent of the LLSIL.
- 3. Qualifies as a homeless individual.
- 4. Receives or is eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch under the *Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act*.
- 5. Is a foster child on behalf of whom state or local government payments are made.
- 6. Is an individual with a disability whose own income meets the requirements of a program described in (2), but who is a member of a family whose income does not meet such requirements.

(Reference: WIOA Section 3[36])

Low-Income Exceptions for Youth

In addition to the above criteria, an IS youth or OS youth automatically qualifies as low-income if the youth lives in a high-poverty area. A high-poverty area is one of the following that has a poverty rate of at least 25 percent as set every 5 years using American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year data:

- A County.
- A Census tract.
- A set of contiguous Census tracts.
- An American Indian Reservation.
- Other tribal land as defined by USDOL in guidance.

work2future and program partners may access ACS 5-Year data on the US Census Fact Finder website or utilize other State-recognized sources to determine the poverty rate. WSD17-07 provides step-by-step instruction on how to calculate the poverty rate.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 681.260; TEGL 21-16, WSD17-07)

Additionally, an IS youth who receives or is eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunch would meet low-income requirements. However, in schools where the entire school automatically receives free or reduced-price lunch, WIOA programs must base low-income status on the individual student's eligibility to receive free or reduced-price lunch or on their ability to meet one of the other low-income categories outlined above.

In accordance with TEGL 21-16, an OS youth who is a parent living in the same household as a child who receives or is eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunch based on the income level, can also meet low-income criteria in the same manner as IS youth based on the child's qualification.

(References: TEGL 21-16; WSD17-07)

8.2 Low-Income Related Definitions

Lower Living Standard Income Level – The income level (adjusted for regional, metropolitan, urban, and rural differences and family size), determined annually by the US Department of Labor based upon the most recent lower living family budget. The LLSIL is published annually in the Federal Register. (Reference: WIOA Section 3[36][B])

Federal Poverty Line – The income level at which families are considered to live in poverty, as annually determined by the US Department of Health and Human Services. The poverty level is published annually in the Federal Register. (Reference: Title 42 USC Section 9902[2])

Public Assistance – Federal, state, or local government cash payments for which eligibility is determined by a needs or income test. The statutory definition of public assistance contains a two-part test:

- 1. The program must provide cash payments.
- 2. Eligibility for the program must be determined by a needs or income test.

(Reference: WIOA Section 3[50])

Homeless – Any adult or youth meeting the conditions as defined in the *Violence Against Women Act of 1994* (Title 42 USC Section 14043e-2[6]) or the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (Title 42 USC Section 11434a[2]). Conditions include the following:

- 1. An individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence to include any of the following:
 - a. Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason.
 - b. Living in a motel, hotel, trailer park, or campground due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations.
 - c. Living in an emergency or transitional shelter.

- d. Abandoned in a hospital.
- e. Awaiting foster care placement.
- 2. An individual who has primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation (e.g., cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus train station, or similar settings).
- 3. A child who is a migratory agricultural worker or fisher or living with a parent who is a migratory agricultural worker or fisher and is living in circumstances described above.

Individual with a Disability – The term disability means one of the following, with respect to an individual:

- 1. A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities:
 - a. Major life activities include, but are not limited to, caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working.
 - b. Major life activities also include the operations of a major bodily function, including but not limited to, functions of the immune system, normal cell growth, digestive, bowel, bladder, neurological, brain, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine, and reproductive functions.
- 2. A record of such an impairment; or
- 3. Being regarded as having such impairment.
 - a. The individual establishes that they have been subjected to an action prohibited under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) because of an actual or perceived physical or mental impairment, whether or not the impairment limits or is perceived to limit a major life activity.
 - b. "Being regarded as having such an impairment" shall not apply to impairments that are transitory and minor. A transitory impairment is an impairment with an actual or expected duration of 6 months or less.

(Reference: Title 42 USC Section 12102)

Emancipated Minor – Any person under the age of 18 who meets any of the following criteria:

- 1. Has entered into a valid marriage, whether or not such marriage was terminated by dissolution.
- Is on active duty with any of the armed forces of the United States of America.
- 3. Has received a declaration of emancipation pursuant to California Family Code 7122.

(Reference: California Family Code, Section 7002)

Runaway Youth – A person under 18 years of age who absents himself or herself from home or place of legal residence without the permission of a parent or legal guardian. (Reference: Title 42 USC Section 5732 a[4])

Out-of-Family Youth — Court adjudicated youth separated from the family (including incarcerated youth), homeless, runaway, and emancipated youth. For purposes of determining income eligibility, out-of-family youth are considered a "family of one."

Family – Two or more persons related by blood, marriage (including same-sex marriages), or decree of court, who are living in a single residence, and are included in one or more of the following categories:

- 1. A married couple and dependent children.
- 2. A parent or guardian and dependent children.
- 3. A married couple.

Refer to the WIOA Title I Acceptable Source Documentation Tables in the Appendix for a list of documents that can be used to determine family size.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 675.300; TEGL 21-16)

Foster Child — A youth participant who is currently in foster care or who has aged out of the foster care system or who has attained 16 years of age and left foster care for kinship guardianship or adoption, a child eligible for assistance under the John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program, or in an out-of-home placement.

(References: Title 20 CFR Sections 681.210 and 681.220; TEGL 21-16)

8.3 Dependent Children

Dependent Children – Children who can be claimed as a dependent on their parent's income tax return. To meet the Internal Revenue Service qualifications, a child must meet relationship, age, residency, support, and joint return criteria:

- 1. Relationship A child must be as follows:
 - a. A son, daughter, stepchild, foster child, or a descendant (including adopted and foster child).
- 2. Age A child must meet one or more criteria as follows:
 - a. Under age 19 at the end of the calendar year.
 - b. A full-time student under age 24 at the end of the calendar year.
 - c. Permanently and totally disabled at any time of the year regardless of age.
- 3. Residency A child must have lived with the WIOA participant for more than half the year (Exception to the time requirement include temporary absences, children who were born or died during the year, kidnapped children and children of divorced or separated parents).

- a. Temporary absences include illness, education, business, vacation, military service, and detention in a juvenile facility.
- 4. Support A child pays less than half of self-support for the year.
- 5. Joint return A child cannot file a joint tax return for the year unless the joint return is only to claim a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid:
 - a. Example of joint return exception: A WIOA participant's 18-year-old son and his 17-year-old wife had \$800 of wages from part-time jobs and no other income. They lived with the WIOA participant all year. Neither is required to file a tax return, but taxes were taken out of their pay, so they filed a joint return only to get a refund of the withheld taxes.

For additional examples of each qualifying criterion see IRS publications on personal exemptions and dependents.

work2future has established policy and procedures for determining the dependency of youth who do not fall into one of the defined categories above, or for whom income tax information is not available. As it is not possible to develop policy that will cover every situation, work2future policy allows for common sense, humanity, and good case records.

Included below, work2future policy and procedures.

work2future dependency policy and procedures:

For work2future dependency policy and procedures for youth age 18-24 who is living with parent(s) or guardian(s), the individual youth's income can be used to determine eligibility when meeting the following criteria:

- The youth is not claimed as a dependent on the parent or guardian's income tax.
- The youth has one or more barriers to employment.

8.4 Determining Low-Income Status

Income Sources

Low-income status is one of the barriers to employment and is used in determining priority of service for the Adult program and eligibility for the Youth program. Income is also used to calculate economic self-sufficiency and is a part of the definition of displaced homemaker. The guidance below outlines the type of income that can be considered for these purposes.

Included Income

The following income sources should be included in an individual's income calculation:

1. Monetary compensation for services, including wages, tips, salary, commissions, or fees before any deductions.

- 2. Net receipts from non-farm self-employment (receipts from a person's own unincorporated business, professional enterprise, or partnership, after deductions for business expense).
- 3. Net receipts from farm self-employment (receipts from a farm which one operates as an owner, renter, or sharecropper, after deductions for farm operating expenses).
- 4. Regular payments from railroad retirement, strike benefits from union funds, worker's compensation, and training stipends (e.g., wages from the California Conservation Corp).
- 5. Alimony, military family allotments, or other regular support from an absent family member or someone not living in the household.
- 6. Private pensions, government employee pensions (including military retirement pay).
- 7. Regular insurance or annuity payments (including state disability insurance).
- 8. College or university scholarships (not needs-based), grants, fellowships, and assistantships.
- 9. Net gambling or lottery winnings.
- 10. Severance payments.
- 11. Terminal leave pay.
- 12. Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) payments.
- 13. Social Security old age and survivors' insurance benefits.
- 14. Unemployment insurance.
- 15. Regular child support payments (including foster care child payments).

The following income sources should **not** be included in an individual's income calculation:

- 1. Financial assistance under Title IV of the Higher Education Act, i.e., Pell Grants.
- 2. Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants and Federal Work Study.
- 3. Needs-based scholarship assistance.
- 4. Loans.
- 5. Veterans' benefits.
- 6. All pay and/or financial allowances earned while the veteran was on active military duty and certain other veterans' benefits, i.e., compensation for service-connected disability, compensation for service-connected death, vocational rehabilitation, and education assistance. (Title 20 CFR Section 683.230)
- 7. Capital gains.
- 8. Any assets drawn down as withdrawals from a bank, the sale of property, a house or a car.
- 9. Tax refunds, gifts, loans, lump-sum inheritances, one-time insurance payments, or compensation for injury.
- 10. Non-cash benefits such as employer paid or union-paid portion of health insurance or other fringe benefits, food or housing received in lieu of wages.
- 11. The value of food and fuel produced and consumed on farms.
- 12. The imputed value of rent from owner occupied nonfarm or farm housing.
- 13. Indian General Welfare Benefits. (Reference: Title 26 USC Section 139E)
- 14. Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps, school meals, and housing assistance, and other state or local income-based public assistance.
- 15. Allowances, earnings, and payments to individuals participating in programs under WIOA

Title 1. (Reference: Title 20 CFR Section 683.275[d])

16. When a federal statute excludes income received under that statute in determining eligibility for programs operated under other federal laws, such income is *excluded* in WIOA eligibility determination as well.

(Reference: WIOA Section 3[36])

Calculating Income

Individuals normally receive income as salary, varying, or intermittent payments. For determining Low-Income, work2future staff may calculate an individual's income using the following methods:

1. Salary – Salary is income received without variation in gross pay from pay period to pay period. Salary information may be provided in a series of pay stubs or one, cumulative pay stub.

To determine an individual's gross income for the most recent six-month time period, multiply the individual's weekly gross pay by 26, bi-weekly pay by 13, bi-monthly pay by 12, or monthly pay by 6.

Example: Bi-weekly pay stubs indicate a gross amount of \$548.

\$548 x 13 = \$7,124, the income for the most recent six-month time period

To determine the individual's annual gross income, multiply their weekly gross pay by 52, bi-weekly pay by 26, bi-monthly pay by 24, or monthly pay by 12.

Example: Year-to-date earnings of \$16,812 with bi-monthly payments. There were 18 bimonthly payments of \$934.

 $$16,812 \div 18 = 934 , the bi-monthly payment amount $$934 \times 24 = $22,416$, the annual gross income

2. Varying – When reported earnings vary from pay period to pay period, annualize the average of the earnings submitted. The earnings may be submitted on a number of pay stubs or on one cumulative pay stub.

Example: Six weekly pay stubs report the following gross earnings: \$534, \$475, \$398, \$534, \$498, and \$534.

Add: \$534 + \$475 + \$398 + \$534 + \$498 + \$534 = \$2,973

Divide: $$2,973 \div 6 = 495.50 , the average gross weekly earnings

Multiply: \$495.50 x 52 = \$25,766, the annual gross income

3. Intermittent – Earnings are varied and include periods of unemployment. With as much data as possible, determine the annual gross income by adding the reported earnings.

The Lower Living Standard Income Level and Poverty Guidelines

The LLSIL and poverty guidelines are used to establish low-income status for WIOA Title I programs. work2future uses the LLSIL and poverty guidelines respectively to determine eligibility for certain youth, eligibility for employed adults for certain services, and self-sufficiency. The LLSIL and poverty guidelines can be found in the EDD LLSIL and Poverty Guidelines webpage.

The WIOA specifies that only the income received during the six-month period immediately prior to the individual's application for WIOA-funded services is used for income determination. Depending on an individual's situation, the income for eligibility purposes may include only the individual's income (e.g., out-of-family youth) or the total family income. The total family income includes the income from each family member.

For more information on how to use the LLSIL and poverty guidelines to determine low-income status or self-sufficiency for WIOA Title I programs, refer to the most recent EDD LLSIL and Poverty Guidelines Directive or the guidelines in the Federal Register.

Chapter 9 - Definitions

Below is a list of terms defined throughout the TAG.

Active Duty – Full-time duty in the active military service of the United States. Active duty includes full-time training duty, annual training duty, and attendance, while in the active military services, at a school designated as a service school by law or by the Secretary of the military department concerned. Such term does not include full-time National Guard duty. (Reference: Title 10 USC Section 101[d][1])

Armed Forces – Includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Space Force, and Coast Guard. (Reference: 10 USC Section 101[4])

Attachment to the Workforce – Locally defined. Click on the term to go to the local definition.

Barriers to Employment – As defined in the WIOA Section 3(24), the term "individual with a barrier to employment" means a member of *one or more* of the following populations:

- 1. Displaced Homemakers.
- 2. Low-income individuals.
- 3. Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians. (WIOA Section 166)
- 4. Individuals with disabilities, including youth who are individuals with disabilities. (WIOA Section 3(25)
- 5. Older individuals. (WIOA Section 3[39])
- 6. Offenders/Ex-offenders.
- 7. Homeless individuals.
- 8. Youth who are in or have aged out of the foster care system.
- 9. Individuals who are English language learners, individuals who have low levels of literacy, and individuals facing substantial cultural barriers. (WIOA Sections 3[21] and 203[7])
- 10. Eligible migrant and seasonal farmworkers. (WIOA Section 167[i])
- 11. Individuals within 2 years of exhausting lifetime eligibility under part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act. (42 USC Section 601 et seq.)
- 12. Single parents. (including single pregnant women)
- 13. Long-term unemployed individuals. (TEGL 19-16)
- 14. Such other groups as the Governor involved determines to have barriers to employment. As of January 1, 2018, California includes:
 - Transgender and gender non-confirming individuals. (Senate Bill 396)
 (Workforce Services Information Notice WSIN17-22)

Basic Skills Deficient – The following definition applies with respect to an individual:

1. A youth who has English, reading, writing, or computing skills at or below the 8th grade

level of a generally accepted standardized test. In assessing basic skills, local programs must use assessment instruments that are valid and appropriate for the target population, and must provide reasonable accommodation in the assessment process, if necessary, for individuals with disabilities. (Reference: Title 20 CFR Section 681.290)

- 2. A youth or adult who is unable to compute or solve problems, or read, write, or speak English at a level necessary to function on the job in the individual's family or in society. Limited English Skills proficient can be documented by staff through observations and case note (Reference: WIOA Section 3[5])
- 3. An adult or youth dropout who lacks a high school diploma or high school equivalency and is not enrolled in post-secondary education.
- 4. An individual enrolled in a Title II Adult Education/Literacy program.
- 5. Other objective criteria determined to be appropriate by the work2future-Director, Program Manager, or the authorized representative of the WIOA Service Provider and documented in the case file such as case note of the participant status for a specific data element, the date which the information was obtained, and the authorized representative gathering the information.

CalJOBSSM – CalJOBS is California's online resource to help job seekers and employers navigate the state's workforce services and serves California's WIOA Titles I and III federally recognized "system of record" for the participant tracking and reporting for the WIOA and the W-P.

Covered Person – Related to the application of priority of service, a covered person is a veteran or eligible spouse.

Deficient in Basic Literacy Skills – Locally defined. Click on the term to go to the local definition.

Dependent Children – Children who can be claimed as a dependent on their parent's income tax. To meet the Internal Revenue Service qualifications a child must meet relationship, age, residency, support, and joint return criteria.

Displaced Homemaker —An individual who has been providing unpaid services to family members in the home and meets criteria a **and** b:

- a. Meets either of the following conditions:
 - (i) Has been dependent on the income of another family member, but is no longer supported by that income (e.g., because the other family member was laid off, or because of death or divorce); or
 - (ii) Is the dependent spouse of a member of the US Armed Forces on active duty and whose family income has been significantly reduced because of the service member's deployment, call or order to active duty, permanent change of station, or service-connected death or disability.
- b. Is unemployed or underemployed and having trouble obtaining or upgrading employment.

Eligible Spouse – The spouse (including the same-sex spouse) of any of the following:

- 1. Any veteran who died of a service-connected disability.
- 2. Any member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty who, at the time of application for the priority, is listed in one or more of the following categories and has been so listed for a total of more than 90 days:
 - a. Missing in action.
 - b. Captured in the line of duty by a hostile force.
 - c. Forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign power.
- 3. Any veteran who has a total disability resulting from a service-connected disability, as evaluated by the VA.
- 4. Any veteran who died while a disability was in existence.

(Reference: Title 38 USC Section 4215[a]).

Emancipated Minor – Any person under the age of 18 who meets the following criteria:

- Has entered into a valid marriage, whether or not such marriage was terminated by dissolution.
- 2. Is on active duty with any of the armed forces of the United States of America.
- 3. Has received a declaration of emancipation pursuant to California Family Code 7122.

(Reference: The California Family Code, Section 7002)

Employed – An individual is considered employed at the date of participation if meeting any of the following criteria:

- 1. Employed
 - a. Did any work at all as a paid, unsubsidized employee on the date participation occurs.
 - b. Worked 15 hours or more in an unpaid job on a farm or business operated by a family member. (Reference: TEGL 10-16, Change 3, Attachment 1)
- 2. Employed, but received notice of termination or military separation
 - a. Has received a notice of termination of employment or the employer has issued a Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) or other notice that the facility or enterprise will close.
 - b. Is a transitioning service member.

(Reference: TEGL 10-16, Change 3, Attachment 1)

Equal Opportunity (EO) Data – Data on race and ethnicity, age, sex, and disability required by 29 CFR Part 38 governing nondiscrimination. Although staff must ask, participants are not required to provide information.

Family – Two or more persons related by blood, marriage (including same-sex marriages), or

decree of court, who are living in a single residence, and are included in one or more of the following categories:

- 1. A married couple and dependent children.
- 2. A parent or guardian and dependent children.
- 3. A married couple.

(References: Title 20 CFR Section 675.300; TEGL 21-16 and TEGL 26-13)

Foster Child – A youth participant who is currently in foster care or who has aged out of the foster care system or who has attained 16 years of age and left foster care for kinship guardianship or adoption, a child eligible for assistance under the *John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program*, or in an out-of-home placement.

(References: Title 20 CFR Sections 681.210 and 681.220; TEGL 21-16)

Furlough – The placing of an employee in a temporary status without duties and pay because of lack of work or funds or other non-disciplinary reasons [Title 5 USC Section 7511(a)(5)]. As such, it is a temporary termination of employment or layoff.

General Announcement – Locally defined. Click on the term to go to the local definition.

General Economic Conditions – Locally defined. Click on the term to go to the local definition.

Homeless – The term homeless, homeless individual, or homeless person includes the following:

- 1. An individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.
- 2. An individual with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground.
- 3. An individual living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations (including hotels and motels paid for by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals or by charitable organizations, congregate shelters, and transitional housing).
- 4. An individual who resided in a shelter or place not meant for human habitation and who is exiting an institution where he or she temporarily resided.
- 5. An individual who meets the following criteria:
 - a. Will imminently lose housing, including housing personally owned, renting, or living in without paying rent, is sharing with others, and rooms in hotels or motels not paid for by Federal, State, or local government programs for lowincome individuals or by charitable organizations, as evidenced by any of the following:

- i. A court order resulting from an eviction action that notifies the individual or family that they must leave within 14 days.
- ii. The individual or family having a primary nighttime residence that is a room in a hotel or motel and where they lack the resources necessary to reside there for more than 14 days.
- iii. Credible evidence indicating that the owner or renter of the housing will not allow the individual or family to stay for more than 14 days, and any oral statement from an individual or family seeking homeless assistance that is found to be credible shall be considered credible evidence for purposes of this clause.
- b. Has no subsequent residence identified.
- c. Lacks the resources or support networks needed to obtain other permanent housing.
- 6. Unaccompanied youth and homeless families with children and youth defined as homeless under other federal statutes who meet the following criteria:
 - a. Have experienced a long-term period without living independently in permanent housing.
 - b. Have experienced persistent instability as measured by frequent moves over such period.
 - c. Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse, the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or multiple barriers to employment.

Individual Employment Plan – An individualized career service, that is developed jointly by the participant and career planner when determined appropriate by the one-stop center or one-stop partner. The plan is an ongoing strategy to identify employment goals, achievement objectives, and an appropriate combination of services for the participant to achieve the employment goals.

Individual with a Disability – The term disability means, with respect to an individual, one of the following:

- 1. A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities:
 - a. Major life activities include, but are not limited to, caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working.
 - b. Major life activities also include the operations of a major bodily function, including but not limited to, functions of the immune system, normal cell growth, digestive, bowel, bladder, neurological, brain, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine, and reproductive functions.

- 2. A record of such an impairment; or
- 3. Being regarded as having such impairment.
 - a. The individual establishes that they have been subjected to an action prohibited under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) because of an actual or perceived physical or mental impairment whether or not the impairment limits or is perceived to limit a major life activity.
 - b. "Being regarded as having such an impairment" shall not apply to impairments that are transitory and minor. A transitory impairment is an impairment with an actual or expected duration of 6 months or less.

(Reference: Title 42 USC Section 12102)

Layoff – The permanent or temporary termination of employment of an employee due to a position being abolished, insufficient funds, lack of work, or any other reason not reflecting discredit on the employee (e.g., dismissal for inadequate performance, violation of workplace rules, cause, etc.).

Lockout – Any refusal by an employer to permit any group of five or more employees to work as a result of a dispute with such employees affecting wages, hours or other terms or conditions of employment of such employees (California Labor Code Section 1132.8). A lockout does not terminate the employer-employee relationship, so locked out employees are not eligible dislocated workers since they have not been terminated or laid off, are not eligible for unemployment compensation, and are likely to return to the same industry or occupation once the dispute is resolved. The same guidance applies to employees that are on strike. There may be locked out employees who for financial reasons seek other employment. These individuals may be served as adults.

Low-Income Individual – An individual, who meets any of the following criteria:

- 1. Receives, or in the past six months has received, or is a member of a family that receives or in the past six months has received any of the following:
 - a. Supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP).
 - b. Temporary assistance for needy families (TANF).
 - c. Supplemental security income (SSI).
 - d. Local income-based public assistance.
- 2. Is in a family with total family income that does not exceed the higher of the following:
 - a. The poverty line.
 - b. Seventy percent of the LLSIL.
- 3. Qualifies as a homeless individual.
- 4. Receives or is eligible to receive a free or reduced-price lunch under the *Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act*.
- 5. Is a foster child on behalf of whom state or local government payments are made.
- 6. Is an individual with a disability whose own income meets the requirements of a program described in (2), but who is a member of a family whose income does not meet such requirements.

(Reference: WIOA Section 3[36])

WIOA Section 129(a)(2) states that low-income additionally includes youth living in a census track that has a poverty rate of at least 25 percent as set every five years using the American Community Survey 5-year data.

LLSIL – The income level (adjusted for regional, metropolitan, urban, and rural differences and family size), determined annually by the DOL based upon the most recent lower living family budget. The LLSIL is published annually in the Federal Register.

Military Spouse – An individual who is married to an active-duty service member, including National Guard or Reserve personnel on active duty. The surviving spouse of an active-duty service member who lost his/her life while on active-duty service in Afghanistan, Iraq, or other combat-related areas is considered to be a military spouse.

Consistent with TEGL 26-13, the definition of "military spouse" includes same-sex spouses.

Non-Covered Person – Persons who is not a veteran or spouse as relating to priority of service application.

Not Employed – An individual is considered not employed at the date of participation when he/she meets any of the following criteria:

- 1. Is not a paid employee in an unsubsidized job.
- 2. Did not work more than 15 hours in an unpaid job on a farm or business operated by a family member. (Reference: TEGL 10-16, Change 3, Attachment 1)
- 3. Has received a notice of termination of employment or the employer has issued a WARN or other notice that the facility or enterprise will close.
- 4. Is a transitioning service member.

Offender – The term offender means any adult or juvenile who meets any of the following criteria:

- 1. Is or has been subject to any stage of the criminal justice process, for whom services under this act may be beneficial.
- 2. Requires assistance in overcoming artificial barriers to employment resulting from a record of arrest or conviction.

Out-of-Family Youth – Court adjudicated youth separated from the family (including incarcerated youth), homeless, runaway, and emancipated youth. For purposes of determining income eligibility, out-of-family youth are considered a "family of one."

Poverty Line – The income level at which families are considered to live in poverty, as annually determined by the US Department of Health and Human Services. The poverty level is published annually in the Federal Register.

Pregnant or Parenting Youth – An individual who is, age 16-24, pregnant or a custodial or non-custodial parent.

Priority of Service – "Priority of service" means the right to take precedence over a person with a lower priority in obtaining employment and training services. Veterans and eligible spouses are entitled to receive precedence over non-covered persons for employment, training, and placement services. Specifically, a veteran or an eligible spouse either receives access to a service earlier in time than a non-covered person or, if the resource is limited, the veteran or eligible spouse receives access to the service instead of or before the non-covered person.

Program Year – Often abbreviated as PY, a WIOA program year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.

Public Assistance – Federal, state, or local government cash payments for which eligibility is determined by a needs or income test.

Runaway Youth – A person under 18 years of age who absents himself or herself from home or place of legal residence without the permission of his or her family.

Self-Attestation – Self-attestation, also referred to as a participant statement or self-certification, occurs when a participant declares the status for eligibility in writing or via an electronic/digital method. The key elements for self-attestation are as follows:

- 1. The participant identifying personal status for permitted elements/eligibility criteria, and
- 2. Signing and dating a form attesting to this self-identification (e.g., a signed WIOA Program Application).

Electronic/digital signatures or a submission from the participant such as an email, text, or unique online survey response is considered an electronic signature or verification; it must be participant generated and traceable to the participant. Grantees must retain documentation of the self-attestation, such as hard copies or in CalJOBS with a remote signature.

School Dropout – An individual who is no longer attending any school and who has not received a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent (WIOA Section 3[54]). Per TEGL 8-15, this term does not include individuals who dropped out of postsecondary school.

Self-Service or Informational Activities – Services an individual can access in an AJCC with minimal or no staff assistance (e.g., self-service labor market research, resume preparation, job search, etc.). These services are general in nature and not customized to an individual's needs.

Self-Sufficiency – Locally defined. Click on the term to go to the local definition.

Substantial Layoff – Locally defined. Click on the term to go to the local definition.

Transitioning Service Member – A service member on active-duty status (including separation leave) who participates in employment services and is within 24 months of retirement or 12 months of separation.

Truancy – A truant is in violation of California's compulsory school attendance laws and a school district is not permitted to sanction violation of those laws by issuing a permit to work. A truant/dropout is subject to arrest, and the parents are subject to infraction fines if the minor is found working without a work permit.

Underemployed – An individual who is working part-time but desires full time employment, or who is working in employment not commensurate with the individual's demonstrated level of educational attainment.

Unlikely to Return – Locally defined. Click on the term to go to the local definition.

Veteran – A person who served at least one day in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable, as specified in 38 USC Section 101(2). A recently separated veteran means any veteran who applies for participation under the WIOA within 48 months after the discharge or release from active military, naval, or air service.

Work First – Work first programs share the philosophy that any job is a good job and that the best way to succeed in the labor market is to join it, developing work habits and skills on the job rather than in a classroom.

Appendix – Source Documentation

Table 1: The following table includes the data elements that require specific source documentation to support the data being entered into CalJOBS.

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 200 | Date of Birth | Yes | Yes | Yes | Driver's License Baptismal Record Birth Certificate (United States [US] or Non-US Issued) DD-214 Report of Transfer or Discharge Paper Federal, State, Local or Tribal Identification Card Matricula Consular from Mexico Passport (US or Non-US Issued) Hospital Record of Birth (US or Non-US Issued) Public Assistance/Social Service Records School Records or identification (ID) Cards (US or Non-US Issued) Work Permit Family Bible Justice System Records Selective Service Registration Signed Letter from a Parent/Guardian |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 301 | Eligible Veteran Status | Yes | Yes | No | DD-214 A Letter from the Veterans' Administration NGB-22 documenting Title 10 Federal Active Duty Service Self-Attestation* *If no financial commitment other than staff resources is provided, self-attestation may be used. |
| 401 | UC Eligible Status | Yes | Yes | No | Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) CalJOBS Events Calendar Record* Personalized Job Search Assistance Workshop (PJSA) CalJOBS Events Calendar Record* For Claimant, Exhaustee, or Exempt from Work Search: Documentation from Unemployment Insurance (UI) or Self-Attestation *CalJOBS Events Calendar is populated via electronic record from UI system. |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 410 | Date of Actual Dislocation | Yes | Yes | No | Verification from Employer Rapid Response List Notice of Layoff Public Announcement with documentation from an UI data source (see Workforce Services Directive [WSD] 16-08, Release of Confidential UI Information, for acceptable sources) Self-Attestation |
| 411 | Most Recent Date of Qualifying Separation | No | No | No | Verification from Employer (includes SF 50) Rapid Response List Notice of Layoff Public Announcement with Follow-Up Cross- Match with UI data source (see WSD16-08, Release of Confidential UI Information, for acceptable sources) Self-Attestation |
| 600 | Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) | Yes* | Yes* | No | TANF Eligibility Verification TANF Period of Benefit Receipt Verification Referral Transmittal from TANF *Only required if participant received Individualized Career or Training Services. |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 601 | Exhausting TANF Within 2 Years | Yes* | Yes* | No | TANF Eligibility Verification TANF Period of Benefit Receipt Verification Referral Transmittal from TANF *Only required if participant received Individualized Career or Training Services. |
| 602 | Supplemental Security Income (SSI) / Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) | Yes* | Yes* | No | SSI/SSDI Receipt of Benefits Verification Referral Transmittal from Social Security Administration (SSA) SSI/SSDI Eligibility Verification *Only required if participant received Individualized Career or Training Services. |
| 603 | Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) | Yes* | Yes* | No | SNAP Eligibility Verification Documentation of Food Stamp Benefit Receipt Referral Transmittal from SNAP *Only required if participant received Individualized Career or Training Services. |
| 604 | Other Public Assistance Recipient | Yes | Yes | No | Copy of Authorization to Receive Cash Public Assistance Copy of Public Assistance Check Medical Card Showing Cash Grant Status Public Assistance Eligibility Verification |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 802 | Low Income Status at Program Entry | Yes* | Yes* | Yes | Award Letter From Veteran's Administration Pay Stubs Compensation Award Letter Court Award Letter Pension Statement Employer Statement/Contact Family or Business Financial Records Housing Authority Verification Quarterly Estimated Tax for Self-Employed Persons Social Security Benefits UI Claim Documents Copy of Authorization to Receive Cash Public Assistance Copy of Public Assistance Check Public Assistance Eligibility Verification For Youth Participant Only: Case Note Documenting Living in a High Poverty Area Self-Attestation *Only required if participant received Individualized Career or Training Services. |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 804 | Basic Skills Deficient (BSD)/Low Levels of Literacy at Program Entry | Yes* | Yes* | Yes | Case Note Assessment Test Results Applicable Records from Education Institution (transcripts, academic assessments, or other school documentation) *Only required if participant received Individualized Career or Training Services. If individual is an English Language Learner (ELL) and BSD, then signed application is sufficient. However, if participant is BSD and NOT ELL, then a case note and/or assessment is needed. |
| 902 | Date of First Case Management and Employment Service | No | No | No | Case Note |
| 907 | Recipient of Incumbent Worker Training (IWT) | Yes | Yes | No | Signed IWT agreementCase Note |
| 908 | Rapid Response | No | Yes | No | Rapid Response ListCase NoteSelf-Attestation |
| 915 | TAA Petition Number | No | No | No | Employer Worker List Designation of Eligibility Form (e.g. DE 8313C) Case Note |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 923 | Other Reasons for Exit | Yes | Yes | Yes | Case Note Withdrawal form with explanation Information from institution or facility Note: Reason for Exit needs to be documented and must be in alignment with the definition of Exclusionary Exit in WSD 22-01, Performance Guidance. |
| 1301 | Eligible Training Provider - Name - Training Service #1 (WIOA) | Yes | Yes | No | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets) Signed Training Contract ITA |
| 1302 | Date Entered Training #1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets) Case Note ITA |
| 1306 | Occupational Skills Training Code #1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cross-Match to CalJOBS Provider Program Information Case Note Signed Individual Employment Plan or Training Plan Signed Training Contract ITA |
| 1307 | Training Completed #1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets or certificate of completion) Case Note |
| 1308 | Date Completed, or Withdrew from, Training #1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets or certificate of completion) Case Note |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|---|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 1309 | Date Entered Training #2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets) Case Note ITA |
| 1311 | Occupational Skills Training Code #2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cross-Match to CalJOBS Provider Program Information Case Note Signed Individual Employment Plan or Training Plan Signed Training Contract ITA |
| 1312 | Training Completed #2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets or certificate of completion) Case Note |
| 1313 | Date Completed, or Withdrew from, Training #2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets or certificate of completion) Case Note |
| 1314 | Date Entered Training #3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets) Case Note ITA |
| 1316 | Occupational Skills Training Code #3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cross-Match to CalJOBS Provider Program Information Case Note Signed Individual Employment Plan or |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 1317 | Training Completed #3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets or certificate of completion) Case Note |
| 1318 | Date Completed, or Withdrew from, Training #3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Vendor Training Records (including attendance sheets or certificate of completion) Case Note |
| 1319 | Established ITA | Yes | Yes | No | Case NoteITA Approval, Allocation or Activation Records |
| 1321 | Waiver from Training Requirement | No | No | No | Waiver Documentation that includes initial approval and renewals at 30 day intervals (e.g. DE 8748 and 8748F) |
| 1322 | Date of Most Recent Case Management and Reemployment Service | No | No | No | Case Note |
| 1323 | Date Waiver From Training Requirement Issued | No | No | No | Waiver Documentation (e.g., DE 8748 and 8748F) |
| 1332 | Participated in Postsecondary Education During Program Participation | Yes | Yes | Yes | School recordsTranscript or report cardCase Note |
| 1401 | Enrolled in Secondary Education Program | Yes | Yes | Yes | Enrollment or School records Transcript or report card Case Note |

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| 1406 | Date Enrolled in Post Exit Education or Training Program Leading to a Recognized Postsecondary Credential | Yes | Yes | Yes | Enrollment or School records Transcript or report card Case Note Follow-up survey from program participants |
| 1600 | Employed in 1st Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1601 | Type of Employment Match 1st Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

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| 1603 | Type of Employment Match 2nd Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1604 | Employed in 3rd Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1605 | Type of Employment Match 3rd Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1606 | Employed in 4th Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1607 | Type of Employment Match 4th Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|---|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 1608 | Employment Related to Training (2nd Quarter After Exit) | Yes | Yes | Yes | Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants Case Notes Follow-up survey form program participants |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1610 | Occupational Code (if available) | Yes | Yes | No | Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants Case Notes Follow-up survey form program participants |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1611 | Entered Non- Traditional Employment | Yes | Yes | No | Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants Case Notes Follow-up survey form program participants |

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| 1612 | Occupational Code of Employment 2nd Quarter After Exit Quarter (If available) | Yes | Yes | No | Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants Case Notes Follow-up survey form program participants |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1613 | Occupational Code of Employment 4th Quarter After Exit Quarter (If available) | Yes | Yes | No | Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants Case Notes Follow-up survey form program participants |

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| 1614 | Industry Code of Employment 1st Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | No | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 1615 | Industry Code of Employment 2nd Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | No | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: • Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) • Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation • Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) • Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings • Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants • Case Notes • Follow-up survey form program participants |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1616 | Industry Code of Employment 3rd Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | No | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 1617 | Industry Code of Employment 4th Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | No | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 1703 | Wages 1st Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: • Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) • Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation • Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) • Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings • Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants • Case Notes • Follow-up survey form program participants |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1704 | Wages 2nd Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1705 | Wages 3rd Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: • Copy of Pay Check Stubs, Payroll Slip, or Leave and Earnings Statements (minimum of two per TEGL 26-16) • Income Tax Records, W-2 Form, or Other Records form the State Department of Revenue or Taxation • Quarterly Tax Payment Forms (such as IRS Form 941) • Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings • Self-Employment or Sales Commission Worksheets Signed and Attested to by Program Participants • Case Notes • Follow-up survey form program participants |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 1706 | Wages 4 th Quarter After Exit Quarter | Yes | Yes | Yes | If utilizing base wage information, no additional source documentation is required. If utilizing supplemental information, use one of the following: |
| 1800 | Type of Recognized Credential | Yes | Yes | Yes | Copy of credential Copy of school record Signed follow-up survey from program participants Case Note documenting information obtained from education or training provider |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 1801 | Date Attained Recognized Credential | Yes | Yes | Yes | Copy of credential Copy of school record Signed follow-up survey from program participants Case Note documenting information obtained from education or training provider |
| 1802 | Type of Recognized Credential #2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Copy of credential Copy of school record Signed follow-up survey from program participants Case Note documenting information obtained from education or training provider |
| 1803 | Date Attained Recognized Credential #2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Copy of credential Copy of school record Signed follow-up survey from program participants Case Note documenting information obtained from education or training provider |
| 1804 | Type of Recognized Credential #3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Copy of credential Copy of school record Signed follow-up survey from program participants Case Note documenting information obtained from education or training provider |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|----------------------|---|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 1805 | Date Attained Recognized Credential #3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Copy of credential Copy of school record Signed follow-up survey from program participants Case Note documenting information obtained from education or training provider |
| 1806 | Date of Most Recent Measurable Skill Gains: Educational Functioning Level (EFL) | Yes | Yes | Yes | Pre and post-test results measuring EFL gain Adult High School transcript showing EFL gain through the awarding of credits or Carnegie units Postsecondary education or training enrollment determined through data match, survey documentation, or program notes |
| 1807 | Date of Most Recent Measurable Skill Gains: Postsecondary Transcript/Report Card | Yes | Yes | Yes | TranscriptReport Card |
| 1808 | Date of Most Recent Measurable Skill Gains: Secondary Transcript/Report Card | Yes | Yes | Yes | TranscriptReport Card |

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| 1809 | Date of Most Recent Measurable Skill Gains: Training Milestone | Yes | Yes | Yes | Documentation of a skill gained through On-the-job Training or Registered Apprenticeship Contract and/or evaluation from employer or training provider documenting a skill gain Progress report from employer documenting a skill gain |
| 1810 | Date of Most Recent Measurable Skill Gains: Skills Progression | Yes | Yes | Yes | Results of knowledge-based exam or certification of completion Documentation demonstrating progress in attaining technical or occupational skills through an exam or benchmark attainment Documentation from training provider or employer Copy of a credential that is required for a particular occupation and only is earned after the passage of an exam |
| 1811 | Date Enrolled During Program Participation in an Education or Training Program Leading to a Recognized Postsecondary Credential or Employment | Yes | Yes | Yes | Case Note School records Transcript or report card |

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|----------------------|---|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| 1813 | Date Completed, During Program Participation, an Education or Training Program Leading to a Recognized Postsecondary Credential or Employment | Yes | Yes | Yes | Applicable Records from Education Institution (diploma, transcripts, report card, school documentation, credential, degree, or an HSE certification, such as a GED®or HiSET® certificate) Signed File Documentation with Information Obtained from Education or Training Provider Case Note Self-Attestation |
| 1900 | Youth 2nd Quarter Placement (Title I) | No | No | Yes | School records Transcript or report card Vendor/training provider training documentation Case Note |
| 1901 | Youth 4th Quarter Placement (Title I) | No | No | Yes | School records Transcript or report card Vendor/training provider training documentation Case Note |

| Data Element # | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
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| 2002 | Employed at Completion of DWG Services | No | No | No | Follow-up survey from program participants Pay check stubs, tax records, W-2 form Quarterly tax payment forms, such as a IRS form 941 Document from employer on company letterhead attesting to an individual's employment status and earnings Self-employment worksheets signed and attested to by program participants Detailed Case Note verified by employer and signed by the counselor |

Table 2: The following table includes the data elements that require a signed program application to support the data being entered into CalJOBS.

| Data Element | Data Element Name | Adult | Dislocated Worker | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|-----------------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|---|
| # | | | | | |
| 202 | Individual with a Disability | Yes | Yes | Yes | Signed Program Application |
| 402 | Long-Term Unemployed at Program Entry | Yes | Yes | No | Signed Program Application |
| 409 | School Status at Program Entry | Yes | Yes | Yes | Signed Program Application |
| 412 | Tenure with Employer at Separation | No | No | No | Signed Program Application |
| 413 | Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Designation | No | No | No | Signed Program Application |

| Data | Data Element | Adult | Dislocated | Youth | Allowable Source Documents |
|--------------|--------------------------|-------|------------|-------|------------------------------------|
| Element # | Name | | Worker | | |
| 701 | Pregnant or | No | No | Yes | Signed Program |
| | Parenting Youth | | | | Application |
| 702 | Youth Who | No | No | Yes | Signed Program |
| | Needs Additional | | | | Application |
| | Assistance | | | | |
| 704 | Foster Care | Yes | Yes | Yes | Signed Program |
| | Youth Status at | | | | Application |
| | Program Entry | | | | |
| 800 | Homeless | Yes | Yes | Yes | Signed Program |
| | participant, | | | | Application |
| | Homeless Children and | | | | |
| | Youths, or | | | | |
| | Runaway Youth | | | | |
| | at Program Entry | | | | |
| 801 | Ex-Offender | Yes | Yes | Yes | Signed Program |
| 001 | Status at | 103 | 163 | 163 | Application |
| | Program Entry | | | | Application |
| 803 | English Language | Yes | Yes | Yes | Signed Program |
| | Learner at | | | | Application |
| | Program Entry | | | | |
| 806 | Single Parent at | Yes | Yes | Yes | Signed Program |
| | Program Entry | | | | Application |
| 807 | Displaced | Yes | Yes | No | Signed Program |
| | Homemaker at | | | | Application |
| | Program Entry | | | | |
| 808 | Eligible Migrant | Yes | Yes | No | Signed Program |
| | and Seasonal | | | | Application |
| | Farmworker | | | | |
| | Status | | | | |
| | (WIOA sec. 167) | | | | |