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**ADVISORY: TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE LETTER NO. 17-15, CHANGE 1**

**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES  
ALL STATE WORKFORCE LIAISONS

**FROM:** PORTIA WU /s/  
Assistant Secretary

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Advance Funding Levels Available October 2016 for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Programs and Correction to the Adults Age Range for the Economically Disadvantaged Data Factor

1. **Purpose.** This guidance provides states with revised allotment levels for WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker FY 2017 funds, which became available to states in October 2016. This Change 1 to TEGL 17-15 revises the funding available to states on October 2016 to reflect the 0.496 percent reduction enacted in the short-term Continuing Appropriations Act for FY 2017 that was enacted on September 29, 2016 and corrects the Adults age range for the economically disadvantaged data factor.

2. **References.**

- Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017, enacted September 29, 2016
- Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (Pub. L. 114-113)
- Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act, as amended (Title II of Pub. L. 99-177)
- Budget Control Act of 2011 (Pub. L. 112-25)
- Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 17-15, *Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth Activities Program Allotments for Program Year (PY) 2016; Final PY 2016 Allotments for the Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Service (ES) Program Allotments; and Workforce Information Grants to States Allotments for PY 2016* dated April 5, 2016
- TEGL 21-12, *Updated Economically Disadvantaged Youth and Adult Data for use in Program Year (PY) 2013 and future Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Youth and Adult Within-State Allocation Formulas* dated March 26, 2013
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, Public Law 113-128, as amended
- Wagner-Peyser Act, as amended (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.)
- *Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Technical Memorandum No. S-15-13*

<b>RESCISSIONS</b> None	<b>EXPIRATION DATE</b> Continuing
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3. **Background.** TEGL 17-15, issued on April 5, 2016, announced PY 2016 WIOA state allotments. This Change 1 TEGL informs the states of recent allotment adjustments necessary due to the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017, enacted on September 29, 2016, (henceforth referred to as the “Continuing Resolution”). The Continuing Resolution reduced neither the WIOA Youth Activities funds (available April 1, 2016) nor the base portion (available July 1, 2016) of funding for Adult and Dislocated Worker activities. However, the Resolution did reduce the FY 2017 advance funds for WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker programs by 0.496 percent. States’ Adult and Dislocated Worker FY 2017 advance allotments were reduced by slightly more than 0.496 percent (about \$5,000 on every \$1M) because states absorbed the reduction associated with the evaluation funds transferred to the Department’s Chief Evaluation Office (see attachment for revised allotment levels). Please see the Background section on page 2 of TEGL 17-15 for an explanation of the funds transferred to the Department’s Chief Evaluation Office.

In addition, this Change 1 TEGL corrects the Adults age range for the economically disadvantaged data factor in the second paragraph under **A. State Allotments** in section **5. State Adult Employment and Training Activities Funds: Title I--Chapter 3--Adult and Dislocated Worker Employment and Training Activities**. In accordance with section 132(v)(I) of WIOA, for the purposes of allotments, the term “adult” means an individual who is not less than age 22 and not more than age 72. The age range correction is shown in bold in the following sentence.

*The three formula data factors for the Adult Activities program are the same as those used for the Youth Activities formula, except the Department used data for the number of economically disadvantaged Adults (**age 22 to 72**, excluding college students in the workforce and military).*

4. **Notice of Award (NOA).** The Department will issue a NOA with the new FY 2017 advance amounts for the Adult and Dislocated Worker programs. Because ETA will take into account the reduction when the NOA is issued, the states need take no further accounting actions.
5. **Possibility of a Rescission to FY 2017 Funding.** It is possible that the final appropriation for FY 2017 will contain a rescission greater than the 0.496 percent reduction to the Adult and Dislocated Worker Advance funding.
6. **Inquiries.** Please direct questions regarding these allotments to the appropriate ETA Regional Office. Information on allotments and planning requirements may also be found on the ETA Web site at <http://www.doleta.gov>.
7. **Attachments.**
  - A. WIOA Adult Program *Revised* FY 2017 Advance Allotments,  
Based on the 0.496 Percent Reduction
  - B. WIOA Dislocated Worker Program *Revised* FY 2017 Advance Allotments,  
Based on the 0.496 Percent Reduction