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**Employment and Training Notice**

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**TO**

Chief Elected Officials  
Local Workforce Development Boards  
Local Workforce Development Administrative Entities

**FROM**

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**SUBJECT**

Income guidelines for income-based program eligibility determinations for WIOA Title IB youth and adult programs

**PURPOSE**

To provide Chief Elected Officials, local boards, and local area administrative entities with updated income guidelines for determining income-based program eligibility for WIOA Title IB youth and adult programs

## ACTION

Effective May 1, 2020, income guidelines described in this notice must be used when determining whether youth and adults are low-income individuals (defined below) for purposes of income-based program eligibility for WIOA Title IB youth and adult programs.

## NOTICE

For purposes of income-based eligibility determinations for youth and adult programs, a “low-income individual” is an individual whose total annual family income does not exceed the higher of the poverty line or 70 percent of the lower living standard income level (LLSIL).<sup>1</sup> The US Department of Health and Human Services published 2020 poverty-level guidelines in the Federal Register on January 17, 2020, Vol. 85, No. 12 (pages 3060 – 3061). The US Department of Labor announced the availability LLSILs for 2020<sup>2</sup> in the Federal Registered on April 30, 2020, Vol. 85, No. 84 (pages 24035 – 24036). Table 1 provides income guidelines for determining income-based program eligibility for WIOA Title IB youth and adult programs.

*Table 1. Income guidelines for determining income-based program eligibility for WIOA Title IB youth and adult programs*

<i>Size of Family</i>	<i>Nebraska non-metropolitan areas</i>	<i>Omaha–Council Bluffs MSA<sup>3</sup></i>	<i>Lincoln MSA<sup>4</sup></i>	<i>Grand Island MSA<sup>5</sup></i>	<i>Sioux City MSA<sup>6</sup></i>
1	\$12,760	\$12,760	\$12,760	\$12,760	\$12,760
2	\$17,240	\$17,240	\$17,240	\$17,240	\$17,240
3	\$21,720	\$22,451	\$22,451	\$22,451	\$22,451
4	\$26,553	\$27,716	\$27,716	\$27,716	\$27,716
5	\$31,342	\$32,706	\$32,706	\$32,706	\$32,706
6	\$36,652	\$38,257	\$38,257	\$38,257	\$38,257
7 or more	add \$5,310 for each additional person	add \$5,551 for each additional person	add \$5,551 for each additional person	add \$5,551 for each additional person	add \$5,551 for each additional person

<sup>1</sup> WIOA Sec. 3(36)(A)(ii)

<sup>2</sup> U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration, “Lower Living Standard Income Level Guidelines,” <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/llsil> [accessed April 30, 2020].

<sup>3</sup> Omaha–Council Bluffs MSA includes Cass, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders, and Washington Counties in Nebraska and Harrison, Mills, and Pottawattamie Counties in Iowa (Nebraska Department of Labor, Geography Maps, “Nebraska Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA),” <https://networks.nebraska.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=410> [accessed April 30, 2020]).

<sup>4</sup> Lincoln MSA includes Lancaster and Seward Counties in Nebraska (Nebraska Department of Labor, Geography Maps, “Nebraska Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA),” <https://networks.nebraska.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=410> [accessed April 30, 2020]).

<sup>5</sup> Grand Island MSA includes Hall, Hamilton, Howard, and Merrick Counties in Nebraska (Nebraska Department of Labor, Geography Maps, “Nebraska Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA),” <https://networks.nebraska.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=410> [accessed April 30, 2020]).

<sup>6</sup> United States Census Bureau, “Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas Wall Map (September 2018),” [https://www2.census.gov/geo/maps/metroarea/us\\_wall/Sep2018/CBSA\\_WallMap\\_Sep2018.pdf?#](https://www2.census.gov/geo/maps/metroarea/us_wall/Sep2018/CBSA_WallMap_Sep2018.pdf?#) [accessed April 30, 2020]