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LOCAL POLICY BULLETIN

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Date: April 17, 2015

TO: Lavon Stephens, Administrative Director, WDC
FROM: Heather Okoro, Executive Director, WIB
SUBJECT: Revised Lower Living Standard Income Levels (LLSIL) for 2015

Effective Date: IMMEDIATELY

Recently, the New York State Department of Labor published a revised table listing the higher of 70% of the LLSIL or the HHS poverty level to be used in determining WIA/WIOA eligibility as a "low income individual" or "disadvantaged adult/youth" (see attachment).

<u>Size of Family Unit</u>	<u>Income Level</u>
1	\$11,770
2	\$17,334
3	\$23,790
4	\$29,368
5	\$34,660
6	\$40,530

For families larger than six persons add \$5,870 to the six-person family income level for each additional person in the family.

Please note that these numbers reflect yearly income amounts. This family income determination would be based on the six (6) month period prior to application, which would then be annualized for final determination.

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**Workforce Development System
Technical Advisory #15-4
April 13, 2015**

To: Workforce Development Community

Subject: Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) tables for 2015

Purpose

This Workforce Development System Technical Advisory (WDS-TA) publishes LLSIL tables which are used for eligibility purposes in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014.

This Technical Advisory replaces and rescinds TA #14-4, issued on April 2, 2014.

Action

Replace previous LLSIL information with the 2015 tables.

Background

The attached table reflects 200% and 100% of the LLSIL for 2015, as published in the Federal Register, Vol. 80, No. 59, March 27, 2015.

Title I of WIOA requires the Secretary of Labor to update and publish the LLSIL tables annually for uses described in the law. LLSIL is used for several purposes under WIOA. Specifically, WIOA Section 3(36) defines the term "low income individual" for eligibility purposes, and Sections 127(b)(2)(C) and 132(b)(1)(B)(v)(IV) define the terms "disadvantaged youth" and "disadvantaged adult" in terms of the poverty line or LLSIL for State formula allotments. The governor and state/local workforce development boards (WDBs) use the LLSIL for determining eligibility for youth and adults for certain services.

Inquiries

Questions regarding this TA may be directed to: Your State Representative

Attachments

Attachment A: 70% of the Lower Living Standard and Poverty Income Guidelines for 2015 LWDA's.

Attachment B: 70% of the Lower Living Standard and Poverty Income Guidelines for 2015 for Counties.

NOTE METRO DEFINITION CHANGES
(As of Feb. 2013)
See footnotes.

70% OF THE LOWER LIVING OR POVERTY
INCOME GUIDELINES FOR 2015
LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREAS

FAMILY SIZE	70% OF THE LOWER LIVING STANDARD INCOME LEVEL, 2015			POVERTY LEVEL, 2013	HIGHEST OF 70% OF THE LOWER LIVING OR POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES, 2015		
	Non-Metro Areas \1_	Upstate Metro Areas \2_	NY City Area \3_		Non-Metro Areas \1_	Upstate Metropolitan Areas \2_	NY City Area \3_
1	\$10,585	\$10,576	\$11,355	\$11,770	\$11,770	\$11,770	\$11,770
2	17,350	17,334	18,612	15,930	17,350	17,334	18,612
3	23,818	23,790	25,546	20,090	23,818	23,790	25,546
4	29,396	29,368	31,537	24,250	29,396	29,368	31,537
5	34,693	34,660	37,214	28,410	34,693	34,660	37,214
6	40,567	40,530	43,529	32,570	40,567	40,530	43,529
7	46,441	46,400	49,844	36,730	46,441	46,400	49,844
8	52,315	52,270	56,159	40,890	52,315	52,270	56,159
9	58,189	58,140	62,474	45,050	58,189	58,140	62,474
10	64,063	64,010	68,789	49,210	64,063	64,010	68,789
11	69,937	69,880	75,104	53,370	69,937	69,880	75,104
12	75,811	75,750	81,419	57,530	75,811	75,750	81,419
13	81,685	81,620	87,734	61,690	81,685	81,620	87,734
14	87,559	87,490	94,049	65,850	87,559	87,490	94,049
15	93,433	93,360	100,364	70,010	93,433	93,360	100,364
16	99,307	99,230	106,679	74,170	99,307	99,230	106,679
17	105,181	105,100	112,994	78,330	105,181	105,100	112,994
18	111,055	110,970	119,309	82,490	111,055	110,970	119,309
19	116,929	116,840	125,624	86,650	116,929	116,840	125,624
20	122,803	122,710	131,939	90,810	122,803	122,710	131,939

NOTE: For WIOA eligibility purposes, LWDAs with counties in both (upstate) metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas should use the metropolitan area income levels, which are higher.

\1_ LWDAs with no metropolitan counties: Allegany/Cattaraugus, Cayuga/Cortland, Chautauqua Co., Chenango/Delaware/Otsego, Clinton/Essex/Franklin/Hamilton, Columbia/Greene, St. Lawrence Co. and Sullivan Co.

\2_ LWDAs with at least one county in an upstate metropolitan area: Albany/Rensselaer/Schenectady, Broome/Tioga, Buffalo/Elie/Cheekt./Tonaw., Chemung/Schuyler/Steuben, Fulton/Montgomery/Schoharie, Genesee/Livingston/Orleans/Wyoming, Herkimer/Madison/Oneida, Jefferson/Lewis, Monroe Co., Niagara Co., Oswego Co., Ontario/Seneca/Wayne/Yates, Syracuse/Onondaga, Saratoga/Warren/Washington, Tompkins Co. and Ulster Co..

\3_ LWDAs which are part of the greater New York City metropolitan area: Dutchess Co., Hempstead/Long Beach Consortium, New York City (Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens and Richmond Counties), Orange Co., Oyster Bay Consortium, Rockland Co., Suffolk Co., Westchester Co. Balance/Putnam Co. and Yonkers City.

SOURCE: Federal Register, under Employment and Training Administration, Notices, 3/27/2015, Volume 80, No. 59, pp. 16450 -16456.

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COUNTIES

Attachment B

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\1_ Counties outside metropolitan areas. Counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chenango, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Lewis, Montgomery, Otsego, St. Lawrence, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Sullivan, and Wyoming.
 \2_ Counties in Metropolitan Statistical Areas, except the NYC Area. Counties of Albany, Broome, Chemung, Erie, Jefferson, Herkimer, Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orleans, Oswego, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wayne, and Yates.
 \3_ Dutchess, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester Counties, and the City of New York (Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond Counties).
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