



**Buffalo and Erie County  
Workforce Investment Board, Inc.**

**LOCAL POLICY BULLETIN**

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TO: Lavon Stephens, Administrative Director, WDC, Inc.  
FROM: Heather Gresham, Executive Director, WIB, Inc.  
SUBJECT: Poverty Income Guidelines for 2017

**EFFECTIVE DATE: IMMEDIATELY**

The United States Department of Health and Human Services recently published Poverty Income Guidelines for 2017. These guidelines, which are found below, are currently in effect and should be used to determine eligibility for low-income individuals as defined in the current Health Profession Opportunity Grant (HPOG), Adult ITA eligibility and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) summer youth employment eligibility.

**200% of Poverty Guidelines for 2017**

<b><u>Family Size</u></b>	<b><u>Annual Income</u></b>
1	\$24,120
2	32,480
3	40,840
4	49,200
5	57,560
6	65,920
7	74,280
8	82,640

For each additional family member, add the following amount: \$8,360.

Please be advised that the USDOL has not yet published a revised table listing of the 70% of the Lower Living Standard Income Levels (LLSIL) for 2017. A comparison of these numbers with the new poverty guidelines is made and the higher of the two, based on family size, becomes the income criteria for low-

income individuals (i.e. youth eligibility). Historically, the LLSIL is the higher number of most family sizes. The revised LLSIL income levels are usually released sometime in the spring and will be passed along when/if a revision is made for 2017.

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Enclosure