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

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

**SUBJECT:** Planning Estimate for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth, Adult, and Dislocated Worker Program Allotments for Program Year (PY) 2017

1. **Purpose.** To transmit to States and outlying areas estimated funding levels for WIOA Title I Youth, Adult, and Dislocated Worker program allotments for PY 2017.

2. **References.**

- Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (Pub. L. 114-254)
- Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (Pub. L. 114-113)
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, Public Law 113-128, as amended
- Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 17-15, April 5, 2016, *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*

3. **Background.** States requested ETA provide estimated allotment levels for the WIOA Youth, Adult, and Dislocated Worker programs for PY 2017 to use for planning purposes. These allotment levels are provided as an estimate and will change based on the enacted fiscal year (FY 2017) full-year appropriation. The funding levels in this guidance letter can provide states with a general idea of how their funding will change in PY 2017, assuming Congress enacts no major increases or decreases in funding for these programs. To date, Congress enacted the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 which funds the Federal Government through April 28, 2017 and includes a 0.1901 percent reduction.

4. **Methodology.** To provide States with estimated PY 2017 funding levels to use for planning purposes, ETA: 1) used the data that ETA will use to calculate the actual PY 2017 allotments, and 2) estimated total funding for the programs based on a full year under the funding levels provided for in the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (including the 0.1901 percent reduction to the July funds, no reduction applies to the FY 2018

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Advance). See TEGL 17-15 for further description of the basis for calculating all set asides, as well as descriptions of the WIOA Youth, Adult, and Dislocated Worker formulas and data factors.

ETA used the following funding levels to prepare allotment estimates for PY 2017:

- A. WIOA Youth Activities total \$854,095,910 for States and \$2,140,591 for outlying areas;
- B. WIOA Adult Activities total \$811,006,542 for States and \$2,032,598 for outlying areas; and
- C. WIOA Dislocated Worker Activities total \$1,017,651,205 for States and \$3,094,606 for outlying areas.

ETA used the following data in the WIOA Adult and Youth formulas:

- A. The average number of unemployed individuals for Areas of Substantial Unemployment (ASUs) for the 12-month period July 2015 through June 2016;
- B. The number of excess unemployed individuals or ASU excess (depending on which is higher) averages for the same 12-month period as used for ASU unemployed data; and
- C. The number of economically disadvantaged Youth; or, for the Adult formula, the number of economically disadvantaged Adults. The data used in the special tabulations for economically disadvantaged Youth and Adults were collected between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2010.

ETA used the following data in the WIOA Dislocated Worker State formula:

- A. The number of unemployed, averaged for the 12-month period, October 2015 through September 2016;
- B. The number of excess unemployed, averaged for the 12-month period, October 2015 through September 2016; and
- C. The number of long-term unemployed, averaged for the 12-month period, October 2015 through September 2016.

- 5. **Final Allotment Levels.** ETA will issue the final allotment levels for WIOA Title I Youth, Adult, Dislocated Worker, Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Service, and Workforce Information Grant programs to States after the enactment of a full-year appropriation for FY 2017.
- 6. **Inquiries.** Questions regarding these estimated allotments may be directed to the appropriate Regional Office.
- 7. **Attachment.**
  - A. Planning Estimate: PY 2017 WIOA Youth, Adult, and Dislocated Worker State Allotments