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TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES
ALL STATE WORKFORCE LIAISONS

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SUBJECT: Revised Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Advance Funding Levels Available October 2016 for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Programs

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. Change 1 to TEGL 17-15 indicated a 0.496 percent reduction to funding available to states on October 2016. Change 2 amends this to a 0.1901 percent reduction as enacted in the short-term Further Continuing Appropriations Act for FY 2017, providing all fifty seven state and outlying area grantees with additional funding.

2. **References.**

- Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (Pub. L. 114-254), enacted December 10, 2016
- Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (Pub. L. 114-223), 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 No. 17-15 Change 1, November 21, 2016, *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*
- 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*

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3. **Background.** TEGL 17-15, issued on April 5, 2016, announced PY 2016 WIOA state allotments. Change 1 issued on November 21, 2016, informed the states of allotment adjustments necessary due to the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017, enacted on September 29, 2016, which reduced the FY 2017 advance funds for WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker programs by 0.496 percent. This Change 2 TEGL informs the states of additional allotment adjustments allowable due to the enactment of the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017 (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 amended the reduction applicable to the FY 2017 advance funds for WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker programs to 0.1901 percent. States’ Adult and Dislocated Worker FY 2017 advance allotments were reduced by slightly more than 0.1901 percent (about \$2,000 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.

Revised allotments resulted in additional funding being available to all 57 state and outlying area grantees. Additional funding totals approximately \$5 million and ranges from \$518 to \$768,401 per state/ outlying area. The additional funding breakout by state/ outlying area is attached to this TEGL. Note, states have until June 30, 2017 to obligate 80 percent of their total PY 2016 DW allotment, or face recapture of the difference.

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 different Rescission to FY 2017 Funding.** It is possible that the final appropriation for FY 2017 will contain a rescission different from the 0.1901 percent reduction to the Adult and Dislocated Worker Advance funding. Depending on the final appropriation for FY 2017, ETA may have to deobligate funds, or obligate additional funds, to state grants closer to the end of the program year. Again, states have until June 30, 2017 to obligate 80 percent of their total PY 2016 DW allotment, or face recapture of the difference.
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 0.1901 Percent Reduction
 - B. WIOA Dislocated Worker Program *Revised* FY 2017 Advance Allotments,
Based on the 0.1901 Percent Reduction
 - C. Additional FY 2017 Advance Funds for Dissemination