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TO: ALL SECTION 166 INDIAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN (INA) GRANTEEES

FROM: BYRON ZUIDEMA /s/
Deputy Assistant Secretary

SUBJECT: Program Year (PY) 2017 Estimated Funding Allotments and Instructions for the
Indian and Native American Section 166 Programs

1. **Purpose.** To provide INA grantees with Planning Estimates for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Section 166, Indian and Native American (INA) Program, Comprehensive Services (CS) and Supplemental Youth Services (SYS) for PY 2017.

2. **References.**
 - Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 (Pub. L. 114-254), located at: <https://www.congress.gov/114/plaws/publ254/PLAW-114publ254.pdf>
 - Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (Pub. L. 114-113)
 - Section 166 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), located at: <https://www.congress.gov/113/bills/hr803/BILLS-113hr803enr.pdf>
 - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; Department of Labor Only, Final Rule, located at: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-08-19/pdf/2016-15975.pdf>
 - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; Joint Rule for Unified and Combined State Plans, Performance Accountability, and the One-Stop System Joint Provisions; Final Rule, located at: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-08-19/pdf/2016-15977.pdf>
 - Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 24-15, June 6, 2016, *PY 2016 Funding Allotments and Instructions for the Indian and Native American Section 166 Programs* located at: https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?DOCN=6213
 - Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 15-14, December 19, 2014, *Implementation of the New Uniform Guidance Regulations*, located at: http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?DOCN=5740

3. **Background.** As of the issuance of this TEGL, Congress has not enacted a full-year appropriation for fiscal year (FY 2017) for federal employment and training programs. Instead, the Further Continuing and Security Appropriations Act, 2017 (2017 Act) will fund the government through April 28, 2017. While there is uncertainty as to the appropriation that will ultimately be enacted, funding amounts are being provided to INA grantees for planning purposes in order to submit an application through Grants.gov. Accordingly, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is issuing the attached estimated funding allotments for PY 2017.

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For the INA CS program, the 2017 Act provides a continuation of FY 2016 funding of \$50 million with a 0.1901 percent reduction. Therefore, assuming a full-year continuing resolution, the funding estimate for PY 2017 for the CS program year, which begins July 1, 2017, is \$49,904,950. Of this amount, one percent (\$499,050) will be set-aside for technical assistance and \$497,000 will be set-aside to award grants to entities that have experience and expertise in developing and implementing programs for unique populations in Alaska and Hawaii pursuant to WIOA, Section 166(k). This leaves \$48,908,900 to be allocated to INA grantees.

For the INA SYS program, the 2017 Act provides \$869,275,636 after reductions for State Youth Activities. The INA SYS program receives 1.5 percent of the State Youth Activities amount. Therefore, the funding estimate for the SYS program year, which begins April 1, 2017, is \$13,039,135.

4. **Required Documents For PY 2017 Funding.** PY 2017 funds will be added to the existing grant through a grant modification; however, to receive PY 2017 funds, INA grantees must submit the documents listed below through Grants.gov. Instructions for submitting documents via Grants.gov are provided in Attachment III. Grantees receiving both SYS and CS funds must submit a separate set of documents for each set of funds, with the exception of indirect cost rate agreements/cost allocation plans. **Note:** Federally recognized tribes that participate in Public Law 102-477 will have their PY 2017 WIOA funds transferred to the Department of Interior (DOI), Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Services, Division of Workforce Development. These tribes are not required to submit the documents below to ETA but should instead follow DOI's requirements for receiving funds.
 - A. *Standard Form (SF) 424, Application for Federal Assistance:* The SF-424 will be submitted/uploaded through Grants.gov. **Note:** Grantees receiving both SYS and CS funds must submit separate SF-424s for each set of funds.
 - B. *SF-424A Budget Information Form:* The SF-424A will be submitted/uploaded through Grants.gov. **Note:** Grantees receiving both SYS and CS funds must submit separate SF-424As for each set of funds.
 - C. *Budget Narrative:* The budget narrative will be submitted/uploaded as an attachment through Grants.gov. Instructions for completing the budget narrative are provided in Attachment I. **Note:** Grantees receiving both SYS and CS funds must submit separate budget narratives for each set of funds.
 - D. *Indirect Cost Rate Agreement or Cost Allocation Plan (if applicable):* Grantees that use an Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (ICRA) or Cost Allocation Plan (CAP) must submit a current or recent copy of the ICRA or CAP as part of this application. **Note:** If indirect charges are included on line 6.j of the SF-424A, an ICRA or CAP must be submitted unless the grantee elects to charge a de minimis rate. ICRAs or CAPs will be submitted/uploaded as an attachment through Grants.gov. Unlike the SF-424, SF-424A, and Budget Narrative, the ICRA/CAP only needs to be submitted once even if the grantee receives both CS and SYS funding.

5. **Action Requested.** Grantees must submit the documents listed below via [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) in order to receive PY 2017 funding. The due date for the submission of documents will be 45 days from the posted date on Grants.gov.

- **SF-424:** see section 4.A above.
- **SF-424A:** see section 4.B above.
- **Budget Narrative:** see section 4.C above.
- **ICRA or CAP:** see section 4.D above.

6. **Inquiries.** Please direct questions to your designated Federal Project Officer below.

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7. **Attachments.**

- Attachment I: Instructions for Completing the Budget Narrative
- Attachment II: PY 2017 INA Adult and Youth Allocations
- Attachment III: Instructions for Completing an Application and Submitting Documents on Grants.gov.