



OKLAHOMA
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OKLAHOMA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ISSUANCE # 01-2014

TO: Workforce Investment Board Chairs
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DATE: February 6, 2014

SUBJECT: Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines and
Department of Labor's 2014 70% and 100% Lower Living Standard Income
Levels

PURPOSE: The United States Department of Health and Human Services has released updated poverty guidelines. The following table incorporates the updated figures that may be used to calculate income levels to determine eligibility for participation in various state and federally funded programs and to prioritize services when funding is limited.

REFERENCES: WIA Section 101(25) defines the term "low income individual for eligibility purposes". WIA section 127(b)(2)(C) and 132(b)(1)(B)(v)(IV) defines the terms "disadvantaged adult" and "disadvantaged youth" in terms of the poverty line or LLSIL for purposes of State allotments. 20 CFR, Part 663.230 and WIA section 134(d) (3)(A)(ii) sets 100 percent LLSIL as a minimum for determining whether employment leads to self-sufficiency under WIA programs.

MESSAGE: The LLSIL is used for several purposes under WIA: specifically, the local WIBs use the LLSIL for determining eligibility for youth and eligibility for employed adult workers for certain services.

ACTION: This OWDI is to become a part of your permanent records and made available to appropriate staff and sub-recipients.

RESCISSIONS: This issuance rescinds OWDI #04-2013.

INQUIRIES: If you have any questions about this issuance, please contact Robyn Coman at (405) 815-5322, robyn_coman@okcommerce.gov.

Poverty Income Guidelines
70% Lower Living Standard Income Levels
100% LLSIL for Determining Self-Sufficiency Oklahoma WIA Programs

Size Of Family	2014 HHS Poverty Guidelines	2013 Non-Metro 70% LLSIL	2013 Metro 70% LLSIL	2013 100% LLSIL Self-Sufficiency	
				Non-Metro	Metro
1	\$ 11,670	\$ 8,759	\$ 8,857	\$ 12,512	\$ 12,653
2	\$ 15,730	\$ 14,349	\$ 14,513	\$ 20,498	\$ 20,732
3	\$ 19,790	\$ 19,693	\$ 19,919	\$ 28,134	\$ 28,456
4	\$ 23,850	\$ 24,311	\$ 24,592	\$ 34,730	\$ 35,131
5	\$ 27,910	\$ 28,689	\$ 29,025	\$ 40,984	\$ 41,464
6	\$ 31,970	\$ 33,551	\$ 33,946	\$ 47,930	\$ 48,494
For each additional family member add	\$ 4,060	\$ 4,862	\$ 4,921	\$ 6,946	\$ 7,030

INSTRUCTIONS: Use the above tables to determine economically disadvantaged status according to family size. Compare the family income to the HHS Poverty Guidelines or the 70% LLSIL, whichever is greater.

The 100% LLSIL is used to determine the minimum level for establishing self-sufficiency criteria at the local level. These are the minimum figures locals must use for determining whether employed adults are in need of intensive services in order to obtain or retain employment leading to self-sufficiency.

METRO COUNTIES INCLUDE: Canadian, Cleveland, Comanche, Creek, Garfield, Logan, McClain, Oklahoma, Osage, Pottawatomie, Rogers, Sequoyah, Tulsa, and Wagoner.