

**NORTH CENTRAL COUNTIES CONSORTIUM
LOCAL WORKFORCE BOARD
POLICY**

Priority of Service for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Programs

I. Purpose

This policy provides guidance and establishes the procedure regarding two areas of priority of service for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funded programs in North Central Counties Consortium.

II. Background

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA) requires priority be given to “public benefits recipients, other low-income individuals, and individuals who are basic skills deficient” when providing career and training services using WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth funds.

The WIOA must give priority of service to Veterans and eligible spouses of Veterans in all WIOA funded programs prior to any other group or individuals. However, they must meet the WIOA adult program eligibility criteria and meet the criteria under WIOA Section 134 (c) (3) (E).

III. References

WIOA Section 3(63) & Section 134 (c)(3)(E)
Federal Register/Proposed Rules Subpart E 680.600, 680.650 & 683.230
DOL TEGL 19-16, 10-09 & 12-13
TEN 15-10
VPL 05-24 & 07-09
EDD WSD-19-04

IV. Policy Statements

Priority of Service to Eligible Veterans and Eligible Spouses of Veterans

Priority of service in all WIOA programs shall be given to individuals who meet the definition of this group, or otherwise meet the above statutory requirement and the eligibility requirements for the program of enrollment.

Priority of Service for Adult Program Employment and Training Activities

With respect to individualized career services and training services funded with WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth funds priority of service must be given to recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals or individuals who are basic skills deficient.

The Priority Groups are outlined in the attachment and must be posted at points of entry at each AJCC physical locations, electronic kiosks and websites.

Attachment I – Priority of Service Order

WIOA PRIORITY OF SERVICE ORDER

Programs with statutory priorities must determine the status of each individual veteran or eligible spouse (see definition below) and apply Priority of Service in the **following order**:

1. Veterans, transitioning service members, and eligible spouses who meet the program's statutory priority requirement.
2. Individuals who are: public assistance recipients, other low-income individuals, and individuals who are basic skills deficient.
3. Veterans, transitioning service members, and eligible spouses who are not public assistance recipients, other low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient.
4. Other individuals who are not public assistance recipients, other low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient.