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To: Workforce Development Board Executive Directors

From: Jane Pawasarat, Director 
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Subject: **Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Policy Update 12-03 Lower Living Standard
Income Level (LLSIL) for 2012**

Purpose:

To distribute the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for use in establishing participant income eligibility in WIA and determining self-sufficiency. These new guidelines include the 70% LLSIL and 100% LLSIL.

LLSIL guidelines went into effect March 28, 2012.

Legislative and Policy Reference

WIA legislation, Sections 101(24), 101(25), 127(b)(2)(C), 132(b)(1)(B)(v)(IV) and 134(d)(3)(A)(ii) and Federal Register Volume 77, No. 60/Wednesday, March 28, 2012/Notices, pp 18865 – 18869.

Action Required

Review and use these updated LLSIL guidelines to determine low income status as appropriate and necessary in your area.

Automated System Support for Employment and Training (ASSET) Reporting

For use with Youth, the following required fields are to be completed:

In ASSET Manage Programs, Title 1 Youth tab:

1. "Enter Family Size"
2. "Income Previous Six Months": Select the appropriate choice from the dropdown menu: At or below FPL, At or below LLSIL, or Not Low Income.

For use with Adults, the following required fields are to be completed:

In ASSET Manage Programs, Title 1 Adult tab:

1. "Enter Family Size"
2. "Income Previous Six Months": Select the appropriate choice from the dropdown menu: At or below FPL, At or below LLSIL, or Not Low Income.

70% LLSIL Guidelines Effective March 28, 2012

Poverty Guidelines Effective January 26, 2012

NOTE: This table is for establishing WIA program participant income eligibility only

| Persons in the family including applicant | Federal Poverty Guideline | 70% of the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL)* | | |
|--|---------------------------|---|--------------------|------------------------|
| | | <u>A-Metro</u> | <u>B-Non-Metro</u> | <u>C-Milwaukee-CSA</u> |
| 1 | \$11,170 | \$9,010 | \$8,733 | \$8,872 |
| 2 | \$15,130 | \$14,769 | \$14,305 | \$14,542 |
| 3 | \$19,090 | \$20,271 | \$19,639 | \$19,964 |
| 4 | \$23,050 | \$25,024 | \$24,240 | \$24,644 |
| 5 | \$27,010 | \$29,530 | \$28,611 | \$29,083 |
| 6 | \$30,970 | \$34,541 | \$33,459 | \$34,011 |
| 7 | \$34,930 | \$39,552 | \$38,307 | \$38,939 |
| 8 | \$38,890 | \$44,563 | \$43,155 | \$43,867 |
| Each additional person beyond 8 add | \$3,960 | \$5,011 | \$4,848 | \$4,928 |

100% LLSIL Guidelines Effective March 28, 2012

Poverty Guidelines Effective January 26, 2012

Note: This table may be used for determining self-sufficiency only

| Persons in the family including applicant | Federal Poverty Guideline | 100% of the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) | | |
|--|---------------------------|---|--------------------|------------------------|
| | | <u>A-Metro</u> | <u>B-Non-Metro</u> | <u>C-Milwaukee-CSA</u> |
| 1 | \$11,170 | \$12,871 | \$12,476 | \$12,674 |
| 2 | \$15,130 | \$21,098 | \$20,436 | \$20,774 |
| 3 | \$19,090 | \$28,958 | \$28,055 | \$28,520 |
| 4 | \$23,050 | \$35,749 | \$34,629 | \$35,205 |
| 5 | \$27,010 | \$42,185 | \$40,873 | \$41,547 |
| 6 | \$30,970 | \$49,344 | \$47,798 | \$48,587 |
| 7 | \$34,930 | \$56,503 | \$54,723 | \$55,627 |
| 8 | \$38,890 | \$63,662 | \$61,648 | \$62,667 |
| Each additional person beyond 8 add | \$3,960 | \$7,159 | \$6,925 | \$7,040 |

*The LLSIL may vary according to location in the state:

COLUMN A is for the metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) of the state, this includes: **Brown** (Green Bay-MSA), **Calumet** (Appleton-MSA), **Chippewa** (Eau Claire-MSA), **Columbia** (Madison-MSA), **Dane** (Madison-MSA), **Eau Claire** (Eau Claire-MSA), **Fond du Lac** (Fond du Lac-MSA), **Iowa** (Madison-MSA), **Kewaunee** (Green Bay, MSA), **La Crosse** (La Crosse-WI/MN MSA), **Marathon** (Wausau-MSA), **Milwaukee** (Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis-MSA), **Oconto** (Green Bay, MSA), **Outagamie** (Appleton-MSA), **Ozaukee** (Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis-MSA), **Racine** (Racine-MSA), **Rock** (Janesville-MSA), **Sheboygan** (Sheboygan-MSA), **Washington** (Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis-MSA), **Waukesha** (Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis-MSA), and **Winnebago** (Oshkosh-Neenah-MSA) Counties.

COLUMN B is for all of the non-metropolitan areas of the state.

COLUMN C is **only** for one Combined Statistical Area (CSA) of the state, this includes: ***Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington, and Waukesha*** Counties, which is the Milwaukee-Racine-Waukesha CSA.

NOTE: Several Workforce Development Boards (WDBs) have both metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas within their boundaries and based on where the applicant lives, must apply the appropriate Column. If the WDB has chosen to use only one column, it must use the non-metro or lowest amount.

Questions and/or Technical Assistance and Training

If you need additional information regarding this policy, please contact the Local Program Liaison assigned to your area.

An electronic version of WIA Policy 12-03 is available at:

<http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/wia/policy.htm>