

TULARE COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD, INC. WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT TITLE I ACTIVITIES	DATE: August 1, 2001
	SUBJECT: MODIFICATION OF LOCAL PRIORITY OF SERVICE FOR WIA ADULT INTENSIVE AND TRAINING SERVICES

WIB DIRECTIVE

WIBD-01-1

TO: WID Staff, WIB CTI Service Providers

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Purpose:

This directive issues an exception to the local policy giving priority to low-income adults for participants co-enrolled in the Caregiver Training Initiative and WIA Adult programs.

Scope:

The priority exception set forth herein is used as a condition for providing intensive and training to adults enrolled in the Caregiver Training Initiative program for training within the healthcare industry.

Effective Date:

Date of issue.

REFERENCES:

- WIA Section 134(d)(4)(E)
- 20 CFR Part 652, 663.600
- Tulare County Workforce Investment Board, Inc. Strategic Five-Year Local Workforce Investment Plan (V)(G)

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Retain this directive until further notice.

BACKGROUND:

WIA states, in section 134(d)(4)(E), that in the event that funds allocated to a local area for adult employment and training activities are limited, priority for intensive and training services funded with Title I Adult funds must be given to recipients of public assistance and other low-income individuals in the local area. 20 CFR Part 652, 663.600(b) states that since funding is generally limited, local areas must establish criteria by which local areas can determine the availability of funds and the process by which any priority will be applied. Such criteria may include the availability of other funds for providing employment and training-related services in the local area, the needs of the specific groups within the local area, and other appropriate factors.

In January of 2001, Tulare County was awarded a Caregiver Training Initiative (CTI) grant in collaboration with a regional consortium including Kings, Kern, Inyo, and Mono Counties. The purpose of this grant is to recruit, train and retain the caregivers and healthcare professionals necessary to meet the growing needs of California's aging and disabled populations and the affected healthcare industry.

In order to achieve the goals of the Caregiver Training Initiative and meet the overwhelming demand for healthcare professionals in Tulare County, the Tulare County Workforce Investment Board, Inc. believes that it is imperative that individuals seeking CTI-funded training within the healthcare field be considered a priority population without regard to income.

POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

1. Individuals seeking training services through the Caregiver Training Initiative grant shall be considered a priority population and are eligible for such services without regard to income.
2. Individuals receiving training services through the Caregiver Training Initiative grant shall be considered a priority population and provided intensive services through WIA Adult funding concurrent with training.
3. This exception is for general program eligibility. Local policy regarding eligibility for services pertaining to a client's need for and ability to benefit from services is unaffected.

ACTION:

1. Notify all affected staff of modification in priority adult populations.
2. Begin using the information in this directive to determine eligibility for WIB clients.

INQUIRIES:

Please direct inquiries about this directive to the Tulare County Workforce Investment Department Administrative Office at (559) 713-5200.

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Administrator

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