

LWIA 22- WIOA Veterans Priority of Service Policy

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Under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), priority requirements under the Adult and Dislocated Worker programs are given to individuals with connections to the military.

Veterans and eligible spouses continue to receive priority of service for all USDOL-funded job training programs, which include WIOA programs. As described in TEGL 10-09 and 03-15, when programs are statutorily required to provide priority for a particular group of individuals, such as are outlined in WIOA Policies on Eligibility in Chapter 4 - Adult Eligibility, priority must be provided in the following order:

1. First, to veterans and eligible spouses who are also included in the groups given statutory priority for WIOA Adult Formula funds. This means that veterans and eligible spouses who are also recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals, or individuals who are basic skills deficient would receive first priority for services provided with WIOA adult formula funds.
2. Second, to non-covered persons (that is, individuals who are not veterans or eligible spouses) who are included in the groups given priority for WIOA adult formula funds.
3. Third, to veterans and eligible spouses who are not included in WIOA's priority groups.
4. Last, to non-covered persons outside the groups given priority under WIOA.

A veteran who is eligible or spouse of an eligible veteran who is entitled to receive priority of service is a person who has served at least one day in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released from service under any condition other than a condition classified as dishonorable is a covered person. This definition includes Reserve units and National Guard units activated for Federal Service.

Attached is a priority point form to be included in all enrollment folders for all customers.

Attachment- WIOA Veterans Priority of Services Form