

# **Local Workforce Area 22- Youth WIOA Follow-Up Services Policy**

*Effective July 1, 2015*

Follow-up services for 12 months after exit is a required service for every WIOA youth participant. Therefore, all youth participants must receive some form of follow-up services for a minimum duration of 12 months. The types of services provided and the duration of services must be determined based on the needs of the individual and therefore, the type and intensity of follow-up services may differ for each youth. Listed below is information regarding the Act's definition of youth follow-up services and examples of youth follow-up services that may be provided locally.

**According to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), follow-up services for youth may include:**

## ***Leadership development opportunities***

1. Exposure to postsecondary educational opportunities
2. Community and service learning projects
3. Peer-centered activities, including peer mentoring and tutoring
4. Organizational and team work training, including team leadership training
5. Training in decision-making, including determining priorities and problem solving
6. Citizenship training, including life skills training such as parenting and work behavior training.

## ***Supportive service activities***

1. Linkages to community services
2. Assistance with transportation
3. Assistance with child care and dependent care
4. Assistance with housing
5. Needs-related payments
6. Assistance with educational testing
7. Reasonable accommodations for youth with disabilities
8. Referrals to health care
9. Assistance with uniforms or other appropriate work attire and work-related tools, including such items as eyeglasses and protective eye gear.

***Regular contact with a youth participant's employer, including assistance in addressing work-related problems that arise***

***Assistance in securing better paying jobs, career development and further education***

***Work-related peer support groups***

***Adult mentoring***

***Services necessary to ensure the success of youth participants in employment and /or post-secondary education.***

Examples of follow-up services that may be provided locally include the following: resume updates, job referrals, career planning assistance, re-employment planning, agency referrals, group or one-on-one meetings, tutoring, job shadowing, newsletters, workshops and/or seminars, supportive services, career exploration, mentoring, and referrals to job fairs.