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TO: WIA Youth Providers

The purpose of this bulletin is to notify all WIA Youth Providers that the local Workforce Investment Board has approved the 5% eligibility window for youth who do not meet the low-income eligibility requirement.

5% Eligibility Window - for Non Low-Income Eligible Youth

Section 129(c)(5) of the Workforce Investment Act provides that up to five percent (5%) of youth served may be exempt from the low income requirement. Each agency shall be allowed to enroll up to five percent (5%) of the number of youth served who do not meet the low income criteria, provided that they meet the other eligibility requirement as follows:

- A. Is age 14 through 21
- B. Is within one or more of the following categories:
 - 1. Deficient in basic literacy skills;
 - 2. School dropout;
 - 3. Homeless, runaway, or foster child;
 - 4. Pregnant or parenting;
 - 5. Offender; or
 - 6. Is an individual (including a youth with a disability) who requires additional assistance to complete an educational program, or to secure and hold employment, which is a youth who is or has:
 - a) attending continuation school
 - b) low self esteem and sense of self
 - c) involved in gang activities
 - d) a substance abusers
 - e) little or no family support or direction/negative role identification
 - f) alienated by sexual preference
 - g) physically or mentally challenged
 - h) an emancipated minor
 - i) language or cultural barriers
 - j) emotional problems
 - k) at risk of dropping out of school
 - l) at least two grade levels below age

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