

3.80 ADULT PRIORITY OF SERVICES TEGL 7-20

Service Priority for Individualized Services and Training

Priority for adult services must be given to recipients of public assistance or other low income individuals, with added priority for individuals who are basic skills deficient. Priority applies regardless of funding levels. Individualized career services and training services must be given on a priority basis, regardless of funding levels, to:

1. Public assistance recipients and other low-income adults; and
2. Individuals who are basic skills deficient.

Veterans under WIOA §3 (63)(A) receive priority of service as described in the Jobs for Veterans Act (38 U.S.C. 4215 (2)). Veterans and eligible spouses of veterans who otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for adult programs must receive the highest priority for services. Priority must be provided in the following order:

1. First, to veterans and eligible spouses who are also recipients of public assistance, are low income individuals, or who are basic skills deficient. Military earnings are not to be included as income for veterans and transitioning service members.
2. Second, individuals who are not veterans or eligible spouses who meet WIOA priority criteria.
3. Third, to veterans and eligible spouses who are not included in WIOA's priority groups.
4. Last, to individuals outside the groups given priority under WIOA.

Program staff must ensure that at least 75% and no lower than 50.1 % of participants receiving individualized career and training services in the Adult program are from at least one of the priority groups mentioned above.