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To: Michigan Works! Agency (MWA) Directors

From: Vicki Enright, Director, OWD (**Signed**)

Subject: WIA Participant Management Information Guide

Programs Affected: The Workforce Investment Act (WIA)

Purpose: To Transmit Revisions to the Poverty Guidelines

References: Federal Register of February 13, 2004

Rescissions: None

Background: Each year the U. S. Department of Health and Human Service updates the Poverty Guidelines used for WIA low-income determinations.

Policy: MWA staff shall use the appropriate income level identified on the enclosed pages when income is used as a factor in determining WIA eligibility.

The information contained in this PI will be made available in alternative format (large type, audio tape, etc.) upon special request received by this office.

Appendix A for Chapter II is the only chapter affected. The changes are highlighted.

Action: MWAs shall use the new income levels immediately. The income levels were effective February 13, 2004.

Inquiries: Questions regarding this policy should be directed to your state coordinator.

**Expiration
Date:** Continuing

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Enclosure

WIA PARTICIPANT MANAGEMENT INFORMATION GUIDE
 CHAPTER 2, APPENDIX A
INCOME LEVELS FOR LOW INCOME STATUS
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EFFECTIVE DATES

- C Poverty Income Guidelines effective 02/13/04.
- C 70 percent Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) effective 05/30/03.

Income Levels

The Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth has determined that when a Michigan Works! Agency (MWA) includes areas covered by more than one LLSIL, the higher LLSIL amount shall be used for the whole MWA. The following tables provide metropolitan and non-metropolitan family income levels and identify which MWA shall utilize the appropriate table. **NOTE:** For a particular family size, the figure provided is either 70 percent of LLSIL or the poverty level, whichever is the greater of the two figures.

Poverty and Non-metropolitan

Family Size	Poverty Income Level 70 Percent of LLSIL Non-metropolitan
1	9,310 (poverty)
2	12,490 (poverty)
3	15,670 (poverty)
4	19,270
5	22,740
6	26,600
For each additional member over 6 add:	3,860

MWAs which shall utilize the poverty/nonmetropolitan LLSIL are:

- West Central
- The Job Force
- Northeast Michigan
- Western U.P.
- Northwest Michigan
- Region 7B
- Eastern U.P.

Poverty and Metropolitan

Family Size	Poverty Income Level 70 Percent of LLSIL Metropolitan
1	9,310 (poverty)
2	12,490 (poverty)
3	16,570
4	20,450
5	24,140
6	28,230
For each additional member over 6 add:	4,090

MWAs utilizing the poverty/metropolitan LLSIL are:

- Berrien/Cass/Van Buren
- Kalamazoo/St. Joseph
- Calhoun/ISD
- South Central Michigan Works
- Ottawa
- ACSET/Allegan
- Capital Area Michigan Works
- Washtenaw County
- Career Alliance
- Muskegon/Oceana
- Central Area Michigan Works
- Midland/Bay/Saginaw
- Thumb Area
- Oakland County
- Southeast Michigan Community Alliance
- City of Detroit
- Macomb/St. Clair
- Livingston County