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TO: Western Piedmont Workforce Development Area WIOA Title I Service

**Providers** 

**SUBJECT:** Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Funds and Pell Grants Policy

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Immediately

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### WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT FUNDS AND PELL GRANTS POLICY

**PURPOSE:** To provide clarification on the use of Workforce Innovation and

Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I resources when combined with Federal Pell grants and the Financial Award Analysis (FAA) (Attachment A). To rescind Western Piedmont Workforce Development Area Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Funds and Pell Grants Policy dated June 4,

2021.

**BACKGROUND:** WIOA Section 134(c)(3)(B)(i)(I) states that WIOA funding for training is

limited to participants who are unable to obtain grant assistance from other sources to pay the costs of their training or require assistance beyond that available under grant assistance from other sources to pay

the costs of such training.

PROCEDURE: WIOA Final Regulations 680.230(b) states that one-stop centers must

consider the availability of other sources of grants to pay for training costs such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), state-funded training funds, and Federal Pell grants, so that WIOA Title I funds supplement other sources of training grants. Per TEGL No. 19-16, veterans and spouses are not required to first use any available benefit entitlements associated with their military service before being considered eligible for WIOA funded training, and one-stop centers are not required

to consider the availability of those funds.

The WIOA seeks to ensure that financial resources and services are available to the individual seeking training. Other resources that may be available to the individual, including WIOA resources, should not be reduced based on the receipt of a Pell grant unless the combination of such resources results in a level of support that exceeds an individual's cost of training and education-related expenses. Individuals who are potentially eligible for a Federal Pell grant must apply. WIOA Title I Service Providers will coordinate funds available with the financial aid office of the training provider. The Federal Pell grant is an entitlement and the student is eligible to receive it regardless of receiving funds from external sources.

Title I Service Providers must complete a FAA (Attachment A), or alternate form containing the same information, for individuals as a means to determine shortage/surplus of resources available. Documentation from the training provider showing a Pell grant was/was not received must be attached to the FAA, or alternate form containing the same information, & uploaded in the participant's neworks.gov file.

WIOA Section 134(c)(3)(B)(iii) states that in determining whether an individual requires assistance under clause (i)(II), a One-Stop Operator (or One-Stop Partner, where appropriate) may take into consideration the full cost of participating in training services, including the costs of

dependent care, transportation and other appropriate costs to determine full training and education-related expenses.

Therefore, where a Federal Pell Grant payment is received by a training provider in an account first, the WPWDA emphasizes applying WIOA Title I funds towards tuition, books, fees, and tools of trade while the Federal Pell Grant funds may be applied toward the additional training and education-related expenses to include dependent care and transportation, and other appropriate costs as determined by the completed FAA (Attachment A) or alternate form containing the same information.

#### **Financial Award Analysis**

Training Provider:		Financiai	Award		515			
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Participant:			Last 4 of SSN:		Т	Telephone #:		
Training Start Date:			Estimated Training End Date:					
Name/Type of Training:			Number of Semesters:					
Training Items Cost of Attendance	Fund Assignments (1-4 Under Funding Sources)		Cost per Semester		Number of Semesters		Total Cost of Training Services	
Application / Registration								
Tuition								
Books								
Exam Fees								
Fees								
Health								
Tools of Trade								
Uniforms								
Childcare Cost								
Transportation								
Other Required Cost (specify)								
Other Required Cost (specify)								
Total Projected Cost of Training								
Available Funding Sources	nding Sources Aid per			Number of Semesters			Total Resources Available	
I. Federal Pell Grant								
2. Scholarships / Grants / Other Finance	ial Aid							
3. Other Sources (specify)								
4. Vocational Rehabilitation / Social Se	ervices							
5. Total Non-WIOA Available Resour	ces							
6. Needed / Requested WIOA Training Resources (Subtract Federal Pell Grant from Total Cost of Training Services)								
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Signatures: WIOA Participant		Date		V	VIOA Title I	Service Pro	vider Date	

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