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TO: Local Workforce Development Area Administrators/Service Providers

SUBJECT: 2017 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Poverty Guidelines and U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) 70% Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) Information

- Purpose:** To provide local workforce development areas and service providers with a guide to the annually updated HHS Poverty Guidelines and DOL 70% Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) information.
- General Information:** The table below is provided for your convenience in determining income eligibility for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Title I-B Programs.

Family Size	Poverty Guideline (Effective 01-26-17)	70% LLSIL	70% LLSIL
		<u>Metro</u> (Effective 05-23-17)	<u>Non-Metro</u> (Effective 05-23-17)
1	\$12,060	\$ 9,216	\$ 9,078
2	\$16,240	\$15,101	\$14,872
3	\$20,420	\$20,727	\$20,411
4	\$24,600	\$25,588	\$25,197
5	\$28,780	\$30,201	\$29,734
6	\$32,960	\$35,321	\$34,773
7	\$37,140	\$40,441	\$39,812
8	\$41,320	\$45,561	\$44,851

For Poverty Guideline purposes, for each family member over eight (8), add \$4,180. For 70% LLSIL purposes, for each family member over eight (8), add \$5,120 for Metro and \$5,039 for Non-Metro.

The following counties in Arkansas are Metro: Benton, Cleveland, Craighead, Crawford, Crittenden, Faulkner, Garland, Grant, Jefferson, Lincoln, Little River, Lonoke, Madison, Miller, Perry, Poinsett, Pulaski, Saline, Sebastian, and Washington. All other counties are Non-Metro.

3. **Action Required:** Please ensure that this information is provided to appropriate staff.
4. **Inquiries:** Carolyn Talley at (501) 683-2528 or carolyn.talley@arkansas.gov
5. **Expiration Date:** Continuing