



NORTH DAKOTA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

WIOA ADULT PROGRAM PRIORITY OF SERVICE

POLICY 2-05-01 (3)

PURPOSE

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act requires priority of service for Veterans and covered persons, Adults and Dislocated Workers with barriers to employment as defined in 20 CFR Part 1010.110 and 20 CFR 680.600 through .660.

POLICY

An individual shall be eligible to participate in the WIOA Adult Program if he or she is:

- i) Age 18 or older;
- ii) Eligible to work in the United States including a citizen of the United States, a United States national, permanent resident alien, lawfully admitted refugee, parolee, or other individual authorized to work in the United States;
- iii) In compliance with Selective Service System registration (applies to males only); and
- iv) Meets priority of service.

All WIOA eligibility must meet data validation requirements, including self-attestation, per WDC Data Validation Policy 2-15-01.

Priority of Service:

The Workforce Development Council supports the WIOA priority of service while under limited funding for eligibility. These categories are:

- low-income adults (WIOA Sec 3(36))
- adults who are receiving public assistance
- basic skills deficient (WIOA Sec 3(5))

The Workforce Development Council also encourages enrollment of North Dakota residents as a priority.

Veterans and eligible spouses of veterans - covered persons - will receive priority of service. The Jobs for Veterans Act does not change the requirement that individuals, to include veterans and military spouses, must first qualify as eligible under the WIOA Adult Program before participation.

REFERENCE:

- (0) NDWDC minutes dated May 12, 2015
- (1) NDWDC Administrative minutes dated September 28, 2018
- (2) NDWDC Administrative minutes dated October 28, 2021
- (3) NDWDC Administrative minutes dated November 16, 2023

REVIEW: November 16, 2026