

AMENDMENT TO THE POLICY FOR ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION OF THE YOUTH PROGRAM

I. INTRODUCTION

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA, for its English acronym) is aimed at supporting the occupational success of the out-of-school youths. The law stipulates that not less than 75% of the funds of this program category will be allotted to the rendering of services to youths that are not attending school. The remaining 25% will be used to provide services to the in-school youths.

In order for a youth to be eligible for the Youth Program, they must be a youth that is in or out of school at the time of the eligibility determination. To the end of establishing the eligibility criteria and the used evidence required to authenticate them, on April 25, 2007, the **Public Policy for the Eligibility Determination of the Youth Program** was approved.

II. AMENDMENTS

Section IV 3 (a), which is amended to read as follows:

YOUTH THAT IS NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL

3. Has a high school diploma or its equivalent, comes from a low-income household, and is facing one of the below barriers:

- a. Core skills deficient:

It is defined as an individual that computes or solves problems, reads, writes, or speaks English at or below the 8th grade level in a generally accepted standardized test; or is an individual unable to compute or solve problems, read, write, or speak English at a level necessary to function in the job, in the family environment or in society.

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Required Evidence in the File

- Generally accepted standardized test

Section V 4 (a), which is amended to read as follows:

4. The youth complies with one or more of the following conditions:
 - a. Core skills deficient - It is defined as an individual that computes or solves problems, reads, writes, or speaks English at or below the 8th grade level on a generally accepted standardized test; or is an individual unable to compute or solve problems, read, write, or speak English at a level necessary to function in the job, in the family environment or in society.

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III. APPROVAL AND VALIDITY

This amendment will be effective on its approval date. The remaining parts of the Public Policy remain valid. The executive Director will be responsible for informing the personnel within five (5) days following its approval.

For the record, I sign the present public policy in Humacao, Puerto Rico, on the 8th days of the month of December of 2020.

[Signed] _____
Jesús E. Delgado Morales, President
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