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## **Ohio Valley Employment Resource Policy Letter No. 15-02 (Adult and Dislocated Worker Eligibility)**

- I. **Purpose:** The purpose of this policy is to communicate guidance and parameters when determining eligibility requirements for individuals who are seeking to participate in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)-funded adult and dislocated worker employment and training programs.
- II. **Effective Date with WDB and COG motion #s:** 5/4/2020 WDB 30-19; COG- 26-19
- III. **Background:** The State has issued WIOAPL 15-02 (Adult and Dislocated Worker Eligibility) to communicate guidance and parameters when determining eligibility requirements for individuals who are seeking to participate in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)-funded adult and dislocated worker employment and training programs. It can be referenced at:  
<http://emanuals.jfs.ohio.gov/Workforce/WIOA/WIOAPL/WIOAPL-15-02.stm>  
It is the directive of the WDB and COG to follow the state policy with the 4/10/2020 interim guidance included as an attachment to this policy. Should the state update policy 15-02, the updates are to be used.
- IV. **Requirements:** The WIOA15 Workforce Development Board (WDB) is adopting this policy and the interim guidance that was issued 4/10/2020 and is attached. The interim guidance directs WDB to review possible definitions of dislocated worker eligibility factor, “unlikely to return.” After thoughtful discussion, the WDB decided to include all factors, including the COVID-19 addition as possible unlikely to return qualifiers.
- V. **Technical Assistance**  
At the county level, it is the county’s discretion to contact the state directly or to start with the Area Executive Director. However, regardless of choice, the Area Executive Director must be consulted, whether directly or by cc: on email, so that the WDB is informed and engaged in local implementation.
- VI. **References**  
State policy: <http://emanuals.jfs.ohio.gov/Workforce/WIOA/WIOAPL/WIOAPL-15-02.stm>  
  
Attachment: 4/10/2020 Interim Adult and DW Eligibility Update