

ATTACHMENT C

PRIORITY FOR SERVICES

The U. S. Department of Labor makes a general operational assumption that Title I adult funding is *generally limited* because there are not enough adult funds available to provide employment and training activities to all adults who could benefit from such services. The Department also recognizes, however, that conditions differ from one local area to another and funds might not be limited in all areas. Local boards are required to consider the availability of funds in their area, including other Federal funding such as TANF to determine the extent to which funding is limited for adult employment and training activities. Based on this determination local boards must decide how the low-income priority will be applied based on local conditions. Preamble Part 663-Subpart F (p.18673)

Determining Funding Availability

As part of the annual planning process, local boards must determine if Title I funding is *limited* or *is not limited*. If the board has determined that funding is not limited they must describe in the annual plan the criteria used to make that determination, including (as cited in §663.200):

- the availability of other funds for employment and training-related services in the local area,
- the needs of specific groups within the local area, and/or
- other appropriate factors.

Applying the Priority

If a board determines that funding is *limited* and the low-income priority is in effect, the board must establish a process that gives priority for services to the recipients of public assistance and other low income individuals. The board may establish this priority in such manner so as to also allow service to other adult individuals meeting WIA eligibility requirements, e.g., a priority window for individuals with specific barriers. A description of how the priority will be applied must be included in the annual plan (in conjunction with the Title I MOU section). If a board determines that funding is *not limited*, it is not necessary to establish a priority process. §663.600

Funds allocated for dislocated workers are *not* subject to this requirement. §663.610