

Mass Workforce Issuance

Workforce Issuance No. 14-09

☐ Policy ☒ Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
Workforce Investment Board Chairs
Workforce Investment Board Directors
Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
Department of Career Services

Date: February 7, 2014

Subject: **Senior Community Service Employment Program Federal Poverty Guidelines for 2014**

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce investment partners of the revised Federal poverty guidelines for the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) as set through the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) Training and Employment Guidance Letter [\(TEGL\) 11-13](#), dated February 5, 2014.

Background: The Department of Health and Human Services published the updated [Federal poverty guidelines for 2014](#) on January 22, 2014. These guidelines provide the basis for determining the income eligibility of SCSEP applicants and enrollees after being multiplied by 125 percent to convert the poverty guidelines to “low-income” as defined at Section 518(a)(3)(A) of the 2006 Amendments to the [Older Americans Act \(OAA\)](#).

Action

Required: Grantees must use the poverty and low-income guidelines when determining or recertifying SCSEP participant eligibility [\(TEGL\) 11-13](#). The 2014 rate reflects 1.5 percent increase to account for last year’s price increase as measured by the Consumer Price Index.