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Acronyms and Abbreviations

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this section is to clarify acronyms and abbreviations used in Arkansas in connection with Title I-B of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014.

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS:

AEFLA – Adult Education and Family Literacy Act

A.C.A. – Arkansas Code Annotated

ACC – Arkansas Community Colleges, formerly AATYC – Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges

ADHE – Arkansas Department of Higher Education

ADWS – Arkansas Department of Workforce Services (also sometimes referred to as DWS)

AHECB – Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board

ARC – Arkansas Research Center

ARCareerEd – Arkansas Department of Career Education

AJL – Arkansas Job Link

AWDB – Arkansas Workforce Development Board

ARS – Arkansas Rehabilitation Services

BLS – Bureau of Labor Statistics

CBO – Community-based organization

CEO – Chief elected official

CFR – Code of Federal Regulations (Department of Labor regulations for WIOA are 20 CFR XXX.XXX, and Department of Education regulations for WIOA are 34 CFR XXX.XXX).

CTE – Career and Technical Education

CTT – Career Technical Training

CPI or CP – Career Pathways Initiative (Sometimes called Career Pathways)

DLW – Dislocated Worker

DHS – Arkansas Department of Human Services

DSB – Division of Services for the Blind

DOL – U.S. Department of Labor

ED – U.S. Department of Education

ELA – English Language Acquisition

ELL – English Language Learner

EO – Equal opportunity

ES – Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Service

ESEA – Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965

ESL – English-as-a-Second Language

ESSA – Every Student Succeeds Act

ETA – Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor *[20 CFR 675.300]*

ETP – Eligible training provider

ETPL – Eligible training provider list

FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid (Required for most college financial aid, including Pell Grants)

FERPA – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

GED® – General Educational Development

GPA – Grade point average

HEARTH – Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009

HHS – Department of Health and Human Services (Arkansas Department of Human Services is DHS)

HUD – U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

IEP – Individual Employment Plan (WIOA Title I-B)

IEP – Individualized Education Plan, required by federal law for every public school child receiving special education services *[34 CFR 300.347]*

IPE – Individualized Plan for Employment, required by federal law for eligible individuals receiving WIOA Title IV-B Vocational Rehabilitation Services *[34 CFR 361.45]*

ISS – Individual Service Strategy

ISY – In-school youth

ITA – Individual Training Account

LEP – Limited English proficiency

LLSIL – Lower living standard income level, determined annually for individual areas by the Secretary of Labor

LMI – Labor market information

LWDA – Local Workforce Development Area

LWDB – Local Workforce Development Board

MOU – Memorandum of Understanding

MSFW – Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker

NEG – National Emergency Grant

OA – Office of Apprenticeship

OJT – On-the-job training

OMB – Office of Management and Budget

OSY – Out-of-school youth

PIRL – WIOA Participant Individual Record Layout

PY – Program year

RA – Registered Apprenticeship Program

RFP – Request for Proposals

RFQ – Request for Qualifications

SCA – Second Chance Act

SDA – Service Delivery Area

SNAP – Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (often called food stamps) established under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.)

SNAP E&T – SNAP Employment and Training Program

SSA – Social Security Administration or Social Security Act

SSDI – Social Security disability income

SSI – Supplemental security income program established under title XVI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.)

SSN – Social Security Number

State Board – State Workforce Development Board

TAA – Trade Adjustment Assistance

TANF – Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (part A of title IV of the Social Security Act – 42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.). Programs funded in Arkansas by TANF are TEA, CPI, Work Pays, and Community Investment Initiative, but only TEA and Work Pays provide cash assistance
[<http://dws.arkansas.gov/Programs/TANF/>].

TEA – Transitional Employment Assistance, an Arkansas program funded by TANF and administered by ADWS – Arkansas Department of Workforce Services. TEA provides time-limited cash assistance to needy families with (or expecting) children. TEA also provides parents with training and other

supportive services needed to attain permanent self-sufficiency. TEA also provides assistance to children being cared for by non-parental guardians [<http://dws.arkansas.gov/Programs/TANF/>].

TEGL – Training and Employment Guidance Letter

TEN – Training and Employment Notice

UC – Unemployment compensation

UI – Unemployment insurance

U.S.C. – United States Code

VA – Department of Veterans Affairs

VETS – Veterans Employment and Training Service

VR – Vocational rehabilitation (In Arkansas, services are divided into Division of Services for the Blind [DSB] and Arkansas Rehabilitation Services [ARS])

Wagner-Peyser – Wagner-Peyser Act of 1933. In Arkansas, this program is administered by ADWS.

WARN – Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification

WDB – Workforce Development Board (Forms of this acronym are AWDB – Arkansas Workforce Development Board, LWDB – Local Workforce Development Board, and the individual names of local workforce development boards)

WIA – Workforce Investment Act of 1998

WIOA – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014