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ISSUANCE NUMBER PY 17-12**

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TO: Local Workforce Development Area Administrators/Service Providers

SUBJECT: 2018 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Poverty Guidelines and U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) 70% Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) Information

- Purpose:** To provide local workforce development areas and service providers with a guide to the annually updated HHS Poverty Guidelines and DOL 70% Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) information.
- General Information:** The table below is provided for your convenience in determining income eligibility for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Title I-B Programs.

For Poverty Guideline purposes, for each family member over eight (8), add \$4,320. For 70% LLSIL purposes, for each family member over eight (8), add \$5,228 for Metro and \$5,109 for Non-Metro.

Family Size	Poverty Guideline (Effective 01-13-18)	70% LLSIL	70% LLSIL
		<u>Metro</u> (Effective 05-29-18)	<u>Non-Metro</u> (Effective 05-29-18)
1	\$12,140	\$ 9,410	\$ 9,205
2	\$16,460	\$15,418	\$15,080
3	\$20,780	\$21,162	\$20,697
4	\$25,100	\$26,126	\$25,549
5	\$29,420	\$30,835	\$30,151
6	\$33,740	\$36,063	\$35,260
7	\$38,060	\$41,291	\$40,369
8	\$42,380	\$46,519	\$45,478

The following counties in Arkansas are Metro: Benton, Cleveland, Craighead, Crawford, Crittenden, Faulkner, Garland, Grant, Jefferson, Lincoln, Little River, Lonoke, Madison, Miller, Perry, Poinsett, Pulaski, Saline, Sebastian, and Washington. All other counties are Non-Metro.

3. **Action Required:** Please ensure that this information is provided to appropriate staff.
4. **Inquiries:** Mary Wilson at (501) 682-3749 or mary.wilson@arkansas.gov
5. **Expiration Date:** Continuing