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**TO:** Local Workforce Development Area Administrators/Service Providers

**SUBJECT:** 2019 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

1. **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.
2. **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 \$4,420. For 70% LLSIL purposes, for each family member over eight (8), add \$5,358 for Metro and \$5,217 for Non-Metro.

Family Size	Poverty Guideline (Effective 01-11-19)	70% LLSIL	
		Metro (Effective 05-29-19)	Non-Metro (Effective 05-29-19)
1	\$12,490	\$ 9,645	\$ 9,398
2	\$16,910	\$15,804	\$15,397
3	\$21,330	\$21,691	\$21,132
4	\$25,750	\$26,779	\$26,086
5	30,170	\$31,606	\$30,784
6	\$34,590	\$36,964	\$36,001
7	\$39,010	\$42,322	\$41,218
8	\$43,430	\$47,680	\$46,435

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](mailto:mary.wilson@arkansas.gov)
5. **Expiration Date:** Continuing