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Background

The Title I Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Dislocated Worker Program is a critical partner with Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) in identifying and serving trade-impacted workers. Co-enrollment of workers covered under certified petitions (TAA – certified workers) in partnership with the WIOA Dislocated Worker programs allows for the timely provision of individualized career services and improves the overall effectiveness of the TAA Program (Training and Employment Guidance Letter 4-20).

Action

As indicated in 20 CFR 618.605, TAA will now be a mandatory partner in the NCWorks Career Centers. All individuals participating in TAA programs will also be enrolled as WIOA Dislocated Workers where customers are agreeable and necessary documentation is provided.

TAA forms should continue to be utilized as the primary documentation to avoid duplication of efforts. In addition, the dislocated worker's assessment (20 CFR 618.345), or the individual employment plan that outlines the assessment results, employment, and occupation/training goals must also be uploaded to NCWorks Online. To the extent possible, local WIOA and NCWorks TAA staff should work together to share common forms for services such as attendance and travel reimbursement.

Based on funding availability, TAA funds should continue to be used to pay for training costs, and WIOA program funds may be used to supplement services (20 CFR 618.804 (h)(4)). Staff serving the dual enrolled customer should coordinate service delivery and ensure adequate documentation is keyed.

All WIOA applicable performance indicators will apply.

Reference

[DWS Operational Guidance Number: OG 03-2021](#)