

TRIDENT

Trident Workforce Investment Board Workforce Investment Act

WIA YOUTH BARRIERS DEFINITION POLICY

TO: SC Works Trident Operators and Youth Contractor

ISSUANCE DATE: May 15, 2012

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 15, 2012

SUPERSEDES: August 25, 2011, June 30, 2008, March 20, 2003 and August 14, 2001

SUBJECT: Youth Barrier Definitions

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to define the youth barriers to be used in the determination of youth eligibility for the WIA program.

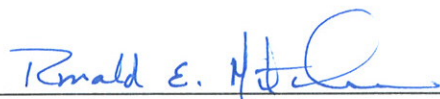
POLICY:

In accordance with WIA Regulations Sections 664.210 and 663.220(h), barrier information to determine youth eligible for WIA must be defined by the local board.

The Department of Employment and Workforce is moving towards no self-attestation on items related to eligibility on the WIA application. This will require verifying documentation on any item of the WIA application that determines a person's eligibility status. The local barrier of "No consecutive work for six months" will be extremely challenging as the only real documentation that can be used for validation is wage record information. If a person has never worked, there is no record. The barrier is difficult to verify; therefore, may be an impediment to students getting into the program.

PROCEDURES:

The Trident Workforce Investment Board has defined the barrier for youth who are economically disadvantaged and requires additional assistance to complete an educational program, or to secure and hold employment as ***youth who are considered "Not Work Ready" based on a standardized assessment.***



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