



PUBLIC POLICY: NO. WIOA-10-2025

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AFFAIR:

PUBLIC POLICY TO ESTABLISH THE MANUAL FOR THE FILING, REVIEW, AND EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS AND REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR EDUCATIONAL TRAINING ACTIVITIES AND THE CONTRACTING DIVISION UNDER THE

WIOA ACT

I. PREAMBLE

Section 107 (d)(10) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA PL 113-128) of July 22, 2014 establishes the responsibility of the Local Workforce Development Board in identifying educational service providers for those educational activities that, through the contracting mechanism, the Manatí-Dorado Local Area requires to meet workforce development needs for youth populations. Adults and Displaced Workers.

To that end, the Local Board has the responsibility to establish a mechanism that will enable the procurement of the services concerned in a manner that promotes open competition in the marketplace and ensures the use of uniform administrative practices and requirements, as defined in 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Funding Delegations. Specifically, this process regulates how the Local Area is to request, evaluate, and award proposals for Educational Training Activities for Youth, Adult, and Displaced Worker Programs.

II. PURPOSE

The objective of this manual is to establish how the process of acquisition, evaluation, recommendation and approval of the educational proposals presented to the Local Area, under the Youth, Adults and Displaced Workers Programs will be carried out. It promotes a competition process through a Public Notice and delineates the form and manner in which the proponents can participate and defines the evaluation process under the same conditions.

III. LEGAL BASIS

The legal framework of reference for the preparation of this manual is the aforementioned WIOA Law of July 22, 2014, its final regulation, 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, the Municipal Code of Puerto Rico, Law 107 of August 14, 2020, and its amendments and any other legal norm that is aimed at optimizing the services provided by the multiple government entities to citizens. Included in addition are the following sections of the WIOA Act and Final Rule 20 CFR Parts 603, 651, 652, et.al.

- a. Section 107(d)(10)(B) of WIOA and Final Regulation 20 CFR 679.370(l)(1) The Local Board takes as its basis the recommendations of the Youth Committee and selects eligible service providers for youth activities using a competitive method;
- b. Section 107(d)(10)(C) of WIOA and Final Regulation 20 CFR 679.370(I)(2) The Local Board approves eligible service providers of training activities in the Local Area;
- c. Section 122(c)(1) of WIOA and Final Regulation 20 CFR 680.430(c) The Local Board conducts the procedures prescribed by the Workforce Development Program to assist in the process of determining the initial/subsequent eligibility of all providers for the State List;
- d. WIOA Section 122(b)(1)(H) and Section 134(c)(3)(F)(5) and Final Rule 20 CFR 680.420, 680.450(e)(4), 680.460(f)(6) Training services are directed to training programs leading to recognized postsecondary credentials;
- e. Section 134 (C)(3)(G)(iii) of WIOA and Final Regulation 20 CFR 680.210 (b) Occupational training services are directly tied to in-demand occupations in the Local Area or any other area where a displaced worker is willing to relocate, unless the Local Board has approved occupations in sectors of the economy with the potential for sustained demand or growth;
- f. WIOA Final Rule 20 CFR 683.200(d)–(h) and Uniform Administrative Requirements, Audit Cost Principles for Federal Funds, Final Rule, 2 CFR 200 Appendix II: On Contractual Provisions to Non-Federal Entities.

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IV. REPEAL

This Public Policy No. WIOA-10-2025, repeals the Procedure for the Filing, Review, and Evaluation of Training and Contracting Division Proposals approved on February 6, 2023 and its amendments.

V. APPROVAL

This Public Policy Number WIOA-10-2025 was approved by Local Board members on March 24, 2025 and by the Board of Directors of Mayors on March 27, 2025.

VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Public Policy No. WIOA-10-2025, will be effective July 1, 2025.

In Vega Baja, Puerto Rico, today March 27, 2025.

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Local Workforce Development Board

Hon. Marcos Cruz Molina

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Note: In this document, the masculine gender will be used to refer to both genders in a way that makes it easier to read. This style of writing is not intended to imply the supremacy of one genre over another.