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The following is the annual update that was released by the Department of Health and Human Services along with the Department of Labor's Lower Living Standard Income Levels (LLSIL). These guidelines are to be used when determining eligibility status for the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs.

Table - 70% LLSIL and HHS Poverty Guidelines									
WIA	Missouri - Southeast Region								
Family Size									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Each Addl. Add
70% LLSIL									
Annual	\$8,024	\$13,144	\$18,044	\$22,272	\$26,288	\$30,742	\$35,196	\$39,650	\$4,454
6 Months	\$ 4,012	\$ 6,572	\$ 9,022	\$11,136	\$13,144	\$15,371	\$17,598	\$19,825	\$2,227
HHS Poverty Guidelines									
Annual	\$10,830	\$14,570	\$18,310	\$22,050	\$25,790	\$29,530	\$33,270	\$37,010	\$3,740
6 Months	\$ 5,415	\$ 7,285	\$ 9,155	\$11,025	\$12,895	\$14,765	\$16,635	\$18,505	\$1,870

WIA defines the term "Low Income Individual" as one who qualifies under various criteria, including an individual who received income for a six-month period that does not exceed the **higher** of the poverty line (HHS guidelines) or 70% of the lower living standard income level. The LLSIL figures are based on the HHS poverty guidelines and they are adjusted for regional differences in economies.

This policy is effective immediately, and should be distributed to all WIA staff. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Gretchen Morse, Manager of WIA Compliance, at 573-334-0990.

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