

## **Proposed CHANGES in SCOTI for STIMULUS**

### **Eligibility changes:**

Adult and dislocated worker:

We currently collect all data that is needed for eligibility for these two programs AND what is needed for the new stimulus programs. What is needed is once the “calculate eligibility” program is pushed, clients that are eligible for the adult and dislocated program will now be eligible for those programs as well as 2 new programs: adult-stimulus and dislocated worker-stimulus. (based on other criteria they could be eligible for other programs as well). This could be accomplished by selecting a “Stimulus” button that would be added to the Program Data tab on Basic Intake for new and old WIA cases.

Youth

We currently collect all data that is needed for eligibility of the youth program AND what is needed for the new youth program. Currently, depending on age, SCOTI will make a person eligible for “younger youth” (14-18 inclusive), or “older youth” (19-21 inclusive).

Keep in mind that the 18 year olds that are currently considered “Younger Youth” are also eligible for the “Adult” program and could be eligible for the “Dislocated Worker” program but not the “Older Youth” program. Likewise, 19 – 21 year old “older youths” are eligible for the “Adult” program and could be eligible for the “Dislocated Worker” program. None of this changes with stimulus.

For stimulus, the above rules in comment 2 above still apply. We will be adding respective programs of eligibility called “Younger Youth-Stimulus” and “Older Youth-Stimulus”. However, the BIG change is that the age is 14-24 for stimulus youth. Therefore, clients that are 22, 23, and 24 will be eligible for the “Older Youth-Stimulus (as well as adult and possibly the dislocated worker program) but NOT for the regular older youth program (which is 19-21 inclusive).

Program Data Tab

The above works for all “new” folks put into SCOTI. But folks already enrolled in the regular programs can also be enrolled in the new STIMULUS programs. It is our suggestion a question be put on the program data tab that says “Stimulus eligible” (yes or no) and answering YES will allow the “Calculate eligible” button to be active and when pushed the new stimulus programs will be added to the record as eligible programs. This question would be answered “yes” by all new folks put into SCOTI (that are potentially eligible for any combination of the adult, adult-stimulus, dislocated worker, dislocated worker-stimulus, younger youth, younger youth-stimulus, older youth and older youth-stimulus programs. For clients already in SCOTI, (and therefore not “eligible” for the

stimulus programs) answering “Y” to the “STIMLUS?” question will allow the user to calculate eligibility again, therefore adding the new stimulus programs to the existing records. Allow Stimulus button to be made available for new or already enrolled cases.

### **Program affiliation changes:**

On the services screen, users must pick a program affiliation as the first item (unless they are only eligible for one program, then that becomes the default) so they can enroll into a WIA program. Program affiliations are based on what the person was eligible for, so the new stimulus programs would have to be added to this field. Those program affiliations would be Younger Youth-Stimulus, Older Youth-Stimulus, Adult-Stimulus and Dislocated Worker-Stimulus. Depending on what affiliation is chosen (along with dates enrolled and activities that clients are enrolled in,) will be a determining factor on who gets in the WIASRD report and who doesn't. Also, co-enrollments would definitely be allowed as long as they are eligible for the programs of which they are to be co-enrolled. For example, a client could be co-enrolled in Younger Youth and Younger Youth-Stimulus, but could not be co-enrolled in Younger Youth Stimulus and Older Youth Stimulus at the same time. But there are the unique ages allowed for youth stimulus, that is, allowing the ages to go up to, and including 24 year olds so these co-enrollment rules would have to be put in place:

Formula Older Youth (19-21) could be concurrently enrolled in Older Youth Stimulus. However, A client that is 22, 23, or 24 could be enrolled in the Older Youth-Stimulus but could not be enrolled in the formula older youth (because for formula older youth, the age limit is 19-21), but could be co-enrolled in other eligible programs.

There are current rules around this now, and they would stay in place, just adding the stimulus programs to them.

### **Goals Changes:**

Changes to Goals tab of the Services Page – Remove any default settings that SCOTI is currently applying to the Goals tab except there must be a Youth Service on the Services tab. Current default setting may include: mandating a Basic Skills goal for youth who are Basic Skills Deficient, inserting a Goal Status, and inserting the participation date into the Goal Set Date field. Allow data entry of into the Goals tab for any Younger or Older Youth who has at least one service saved on the Services page. A new Goal has been added to the type of Goals – Stimulus Work Readiness - to insure we can track Stimulus related goals separately from the formula program.

### **Reports:**

Include new stimulus data elements for Discoverer reporting. This includes the new “Stimulus” button on the Program Data page of Basic Intake. The new eligibility and program affiliation selections should also appear in reports.

The Post Exit and Wages page should be available for “Stimulus” participants as it is for the other program affiliations when the case is closed and/or exited.

**WIASRD:**

Some individuals who participate in the WIA Younger Youth/Older Youth Stimulus are not to be included in the WIASRD file for USDOL.

Individuals who are excluded from the WIASRD will fall in two groups:

1. Older Youth/Younger Youth who:

Have an Older Youth/Younger Youth Stimulus Program Affiliation only, and

Actual Start Date of the earliest Activity between May 1, 2009 - September 30, 2009 and

Actual End Date of the latest activity is on or before September 30, 2009 and

Individual has an Older Youth/Younger Youth activity that is either Summer Employment Opportunities, Work Experience/Internships, Partner Summer Employment Opportunities or Partner Work Experience/Internships. They can have other activities but must have one of the above at a minimum.

2. Older Youth/Younger Youth who:

Are 18-24, and

Are Out-of-School, and

Have an Older Youth/Younger Youth Stimulus Program Affiliation only, and

Actual Start Date of the earliest Activity between October 1, 2009 – March 31, 2009 and

Actual End Date of the latest activity is on or before March 31, 2010 and

Individual has an Older Youth/Younger Youth activity that is either Work Experience/Internships, or Partner Work Experience/Internships. They cannot have any other activities than either of these activities.