



# **Understanding WIOA Youth Eligibility Definitions in Pennsylvania**

Ensuring Access to  
Opportunities



# Introduction

- Brief overview of the presentation
- Importance of understanding changes in WIOA Youth Eligibility Definitions



# Background

- - Overview of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) (Pub. L. 113-128)
- - Commitment to providing high-quality services for youth and young adults (ages 14-24)
- - References: WIOA (Pub. L. 113-128), 20 CFR § 681.410



# Youth Eligibility Definitions Updates

- **General Eligibility Requirements**
  - Target Groups
    - In-School Youth (ISY)
    - Out-of-School Youth (OSY)
- **Core Eligibility Criteria**
  - Age
  - Low-Income Status
  - Barriers to employment



# Youth Eligibility Definitions Updates

- Self-Attestation see TEGL 23-19, Change 2 and TEGL 10-23
  - TEGL 23-19, Change 2
    - Provides detailed guidance on acceptable documentation
  - TEGL 10-23
    - Self-attestation is sufficient for both eligibility determination and data validation purposes



# Youth Eligibility Definitions Updates

- Low-Income Eligibility Exception Rule see 20 CFR § 681.250
  - Five Percent Rule
  - Eligibility Requirements
  - Specific Criteria for OSY



# Youth Eligibility Definitions Updates

- Reporting Youth Barriers see TEGL 09-22
  - Ensures appropriate Allocation of resources
  - Enhances understanding of the challenges faced by youth
  - Accurate data collection for better program management



# Conclusion

- We reviewed the updated WIOA Youth Eligibility Definitions policy
- For questions, please reach out using our resource account [RA-LI-BWDA-Policy@pa.gov](mailto:RA-LI-BWDA-Policy@pa.gov)





# Have a great day!



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