



Workforce Development Board Area 8
Serving Counties:
Auglaize, Hardin, Mercer & Van Wert

02/29/2016

RE: Priority of Service for Veterans and Eligible Spouses

Purpose

To outline requirements for the local WDB and OhioMeansJobs Area 8 for implementation of priority of service to veterans and eligible spouses for all DOL funded training programs.

Effective

Immediately

Background

Recipients of DOL funds for qualified job training programs have been required to provide priority of service since 2002 as outlined in the Jobs for Veterans Act (JVA), Public Law (P.L.) 107-288. The publication of 20 C.F.R. Part 1010, Priority of Service for Covered Persons; Final Rule, which took effect on January 19, 2009 declares that recipients of DOL funds for these job training programs should review and, if necessary, enhance their current policies and procedures to ensure that acceptable protocols are in place. The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Policy Letter No. 15-20 dated December 21, 2015 states, each local area is required to develop a priority of service policy.

Definitions

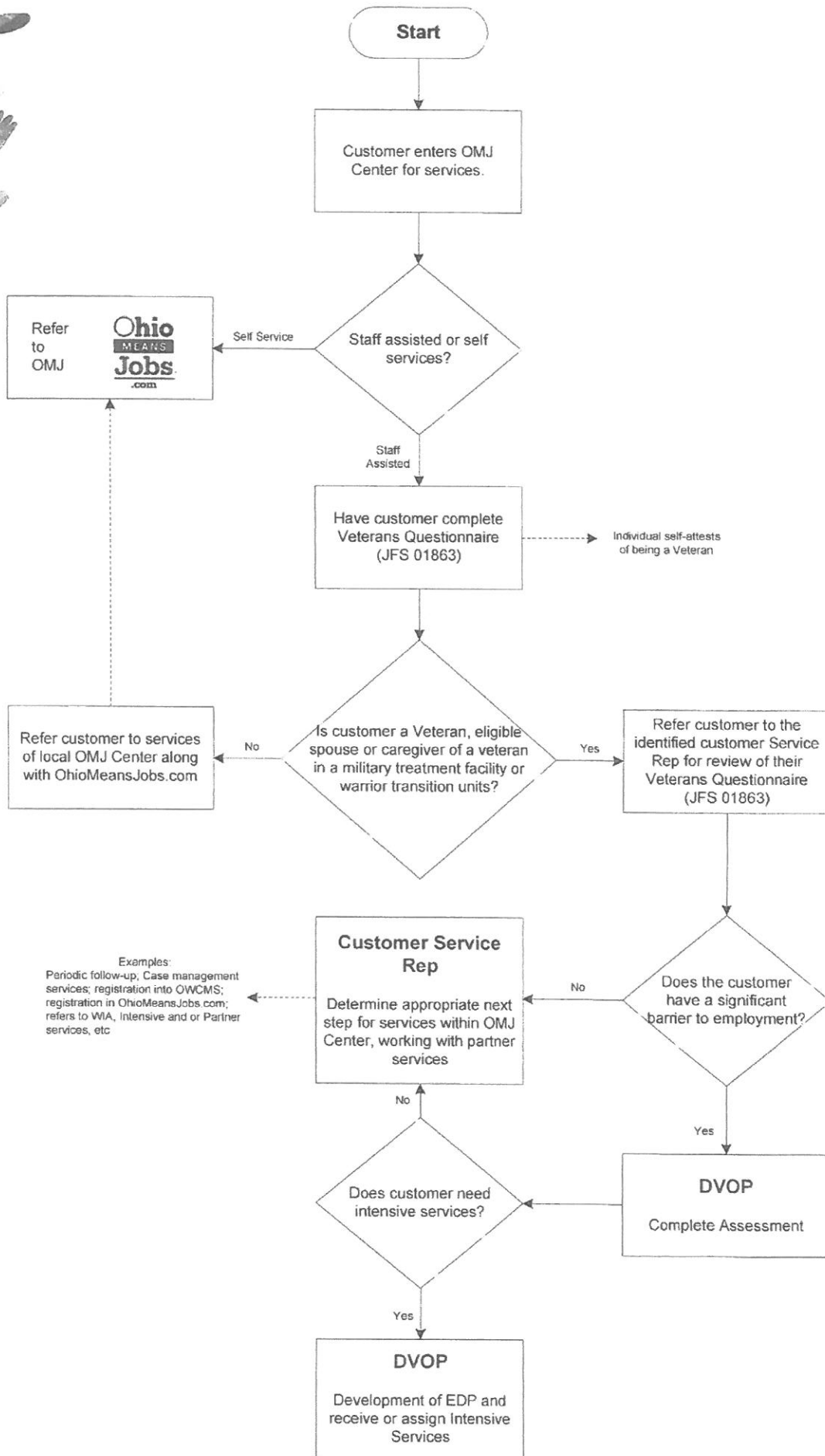
Definitions can be found in WIOAPL No. 15-20

Requirements

Priority of service means that covered persons are given priority over non-covered persons for the receipt of employment, training, and placement services funded in whole or in part by DOL, including Wagner-Peyser, Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), Workforce Investment Act, Senior Community Service Employment Program, Indian and Native American Programs, Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers, Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development Competitive Grants, and National Emergency Grants.

All customers that enter OMJ Area 8 will be greeted by an OMJ partner staff. OMJ Area 8 staff members will determine if the customer is a veteran, eligible spouse or caregiver of a veteran in a military treatment facility or warrior transition unit. Customers will complete JFS 01863 and the questionnaire will be reviewed by an OMJ Area 8 representative. Barriers to employment will be identified by OMJ Area 8 and the customer will complete an assessment. Once the assessment is completed, OMJ Area 8 will determine if the customer is in need of Individual Career Services. If the eligible customer does not need Individual Career Services, OMJ Area 8 will determine the next appropriate steps with the OMJ Center and partner services.

Periodic follow-ups will be completed with eligible customers that did not need Individual Career Services. Monitoring will be reviewed for the implementation of internal policies and procedures and how the procedures result in compliance with the priority of service requirements. The Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services Veteran Program Managers, and the local OMJ Area 8 Operator shares monitoring responsibilities through regular OMJ Area 8 partner meetings. Monitoring responsibilities include a review of the implementation of internal policies and procedures and how they are in compliance with the priority of service requirements. All OhioMeansJobs Center staff receive in-service training on the implementation of priority of service for veterans and eligible spouses.



Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
VETERAN QUESTIONNAIRE

Name	Date of Birth
Address	
E-mail Address	Phone Number
Branch of Service	Discharge Type
Dates of Service	

The requested information is intended to better assist you in your employment and training needs. This information is provided on a voluntary basis and, in accordance with the law, will be kept confidential unless approval is granted to disclose necessary information for the coordination of services at the OhioMeansJobs Center. Refusal to provide the requested information will not subject you to any adverse treatment.

Were you an active duty service member who was involuntarily separated because of a reduction in force, illness, or wounded/ injured? Yes No

Are you a disabled veteran (or have a pending disability claim with the VA)? Yes No

Are you the spouse or family caregiver of a veteran or service member who:

- Is deceased or totally disabled and the death or disability was service connected;
- Is listed missing in action or captured in the line of duty for a total of more than 90 days; or
- Is wounded, ill, or injured and receiving treatment in military treatment facilities or warrior transition units?

Yes No

Do you lack a permanent, nighttime residence (or live in a shelter) or are fleeing domestic violence? Yes No

Have you been separated from military within the last 3 years and unemployed 27 weeks or more in the previous 12 months? Yes No

Are you currently incarcerated or have been released from incarceration? Yes No

Are you in need of a high school diploma or GED? Yes No

Are you a veteran or Transitional Service Member age 18 to 24? Yes No

Are you a transitioning Service Member with DD-2958? Yes No

What is your family income?
 Annual gross income: _____ Family size: _____

I give my approval for OhioMeansJobs Center staff, Jobs for Veterans State Grant staff, and partner agencies to exchange and disclose necessary information about me for services to be provided to me by all programs administered via the OhioMeansJobs Center and/or partner agencies. I attest that the information stated above is true and accurate, and understand that the above information, if misrepresented, or incomplete, may be grounds for immediate termination of services and/or penalties as specified by law.

Signature	Date
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