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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FIELD INFORMATION MEMO: 19-03

TOPIC: Coordination of WIOA Title I funds and Iowa Last Dollar Scholarship

1. **Purpose:** To transmit guidance on the coordination of funding for WIOA Title I participants who are Iowa Last Dollar Scholarship recipients.
2. **Background:** 20 CFR § 680.230(b) states that one-stop centers must coordinate training funds available and make funding arrangements with one-stop partners and other entities. One-stop partners must consider the availability of other sources of grants to pay for training costs. Iowa Administrative Code 283-15.4(261) stipulates that federal and state non-repayable aid must be applied first before applying Last Dollar Scholarship funds.
3. **Substance:** WIOA implementing regulations require the coordination of available training funds so that WIOA funds supplement other sources of training grants. In many cases, this coordination will result in WIOA as the payer of last resort. However, it is also possible that this coordination will identify training grants that are not available until after WIOA funds have been applied. Because the Iowa Administrative Code requires the Last Dollar Scholarship to be awarded only after federal and state non-repayment aid is applied, Last Dollar Scholarship funds are not available until WIOA funds have been applied. Accordingly, WIOA funds must be applied first, and then any remaining need can be met using the Last Dollar Scholarship.
4. **Action:** This information should be shared with LWDB and CEO Board Members as well as appropriate American Job Center and other partner staff.
5. **Effective Date:** This field memo is effective from the date of this memo.
6. **Contact:** For questions related to the information in this issuance, contact Michelle McNertney at 515-242-0408 or michelle.mcnertney@iwd.iowa.gov.

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