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Mercer WDB Policy: Selective Service Registration Adopted: November 1, 2022

Background: 20 CFR 683.225 requires that any male participating in any program or activity established under Title 1 of the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA), or receiving any assistance or benefit under Title 1 of WIOA, has not violated sec. 3 of the Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 453) by not presenting and submitting to Military Selective Service registration. "All male US Citizens and male aliens living in the US born on or after January 1, 1960 who are aged 18 to 26 must register with Selective Service.

TEGL No. 11-11 Change 2 states that sub-grantees receiving federal training funds must establish a policy for potential participants who are males 26 years old or older (born after Jan. 1, 1960) that failed to register with the Selective Service. The policy may be to either (1) request a Status Information Letter from a potential participant before making a determination of knowing and willful failure to register; or (2) initiate the process to determine if the potential participant's failure to register was knowing and willful without the first requesting a Status Information Letter.

Policy: The Mercer WDB has established the policy that potential participants who are males born on or after January 1, 1960 who are aged 18 to 26 years of age who failed to register with the Military Selective Service in accordance with federal regulations must comply with the following:

- MCOTES will provide that customer with a WIOA Eligibility Applicant Statement which identifies the reason(s) for the non-registration. The Statement is reviewed by the Training Manager and/or the Deputy Director – Programs to determine if the customer's failure to register with the Selective Service was neither knowing nor willful.
- If it is determined that the customer's failure to register was neither knowing nor willful the statement submitted by the customer will be placed in their participant file and the individual will be approved for training.
- If it should be determined that the statement submitted by the customer was either knowing or willful the customer will not be approved for training.

If a customer did register but does not provide proof of their Selective Service Registration # they are directed to the Resource Area computers to obtain the needed information.