

IC 12-14-5

Chapter 5. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; Education and Employment Training

IC 12-14-5-1

Application

Sec. 1. Sections 1 through 5 of this chapter apply to an individual who is:

- (1) less than eighteen (18) years of age and not enrolled in an educational or a vocational training program; or
- (2) a parent of a dependent child who has not graduated from high school or earned a:
 - (A) high school equivalency certificate; or
 - (B) state of Indiana general educational development (GED) diploma;

and is a member of a family that receives TANF.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.149-1995, SEC.3; P.L.161-2007, SEC.29.

IC 12-14-5-2

"State of Indiana general educational development (GED) diploma"

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "state of Indiana general educational development (GED) diploma" means the state credential issued to a qualified applicant under IC 20-20-6 (before its repeal) or IC 22-4.1-18.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.149-1995, SEC.4; P.L.1-2005, SEC.131; P.L.7-2011, SEC.2.

IC 12-14-5-3

Cooperation in developing educational and vocational training services and facilities

Sec. 3. The division, the department of education, and the public schools shall cooperate as follows:

- (1) With all public and private educational and vocational training or retraining agencies or facilities operating in Indiana.
- (2) In developing necessary education and vocational training or retraining services and facilities to improve the skills of the parents in families receiving assistance and services under this article, for whom jobs are not immediately available, or that will provide education, training, and experience for parents and for children nearing adulthood who lack the skills required for employment opportunities that are or may become available.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.8.

IC 12-14-5-4

Continuation of family assistance grant; educational program participation; vocational training or retraining; additional payments

Sec. 4. (a) The division shall require parents for whom education

or training is suitable and available to do the following for the continuation of the family assistance grant:

(1) Participate in an educational program designed to enhance opportunities for employment.

(2) Attend a vocational training or retraining facility.

(b) Additional money may be made available and payments made for vocational training and other expenses to persons furnishing the vocational training or the person receiving the training.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.8.

IC 12-14-5-5

Division plan for vocational and educational training in each county

Sec. 5. The division shall adopt a plan for furnishing in each county:

(1) vocational training; and

(2) educational training;

that allows an individual described in section 1 of this chapter to develop the skills to obtain a state of Indiana general educational development (GED) diploma.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.149-1995, SEC.5.

IC 12-14-5-6

Payment for training and other expenses; source of funds; maximum monthly amounts under IC 12-14-2

Sec. 6. Payment for training and other expenses must be made by the division from money appropriated for the training and other services even though expenditures may exceed the maximum established under IC 12-14-2.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.8.

IC 12-14-5-7

State or federal higher education awards; determination of income and resources when applying for assistance

Sec. 7. Except as provided by federal law, if an individual receives a state or federal higher education award that is paid directly to an approved postsecondary educational institution for the individual's benefit:

(1) the individual is not required to report the award as income or as a resource of the individual when applying for assistance for a dependent child under this chapter; and

(2) the award may not be considered as income or a resource of the individual in determining initial or continuing eligibility for assistance for a dependent child under this chapter.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.2-2007, SEC.159.