



## Dear Veterans and Covered Spouses

One-Stop Career Centers that provide Workforce Investment Act (WIA) services give WIA eligible Veterans and Covered Spouses a **priority of service** under WIA Title 1 Adult, Dislocated, and Youth-funded Programs

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### What does “Priority of Service: mean?”

The term “Veterans Priority of Service” means that a covered person shall be given priority over non-veterans (except for the priority of service of service established by law for the WIA Adult program).

### Who is a “covered” person under the Jobs for Veterans Act?

A covered person under the Jobs for Veterans Act is one of the following:

- a. A **Veteran** who is eligible or spouse of an eligible veteran who is entitled to receive priority of service is a person who has served at least one day in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released from service under any condition other than a condition classified as dishonorable is a covered person. This definition includes Reserve units and National Guard Units activated for Federal Service; or
- b. **An Eligible Spouse** means a spouse of any of the following:
  - A spouse of any veteran who died of a service-connected disability;
  - A spouse of any member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty who, at the time of application for the priority, is listed on one or more of the following categories and has been so listed for a total of more than 90 days;
    - Missing in action;
    - Captured in the line of duty by a hostile force; or
    - Forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign government or power.
  - A spouse of any veteran who has a total disability resulting from a service-connected disability, as evaluated by the Department of Veterans Affairs; or
  - A spouse of any veteran who died while a disability was in existence.

### What are the services for which I would receive a “priority of service”?

- Admittance to the Introduction to Center Services. (Seating limited, first come first-served, no late admittance accepted.)
- Admittance to Workshops
- WIA training opportunities
- 24-hour hold on CalJOBS job postings
- Access a Veteran’s Representative on Tuesdays without being a Career Center Member