

877—11.7(84A) Eligible participants. The target groups for this program will be established by the regional advisory board. The list of target groups and the definition of each will be published in the request for proposal.

11.7(1) *Priority consideration.* Regardless of the target group, no individual will be served with these funds unless, at the time of application, that individual is unemployed, underemployed, or not in the work force and a resident of Iowa. The process for selection of participants for any project using these funds should give priority consideration to individuals who are most in need of assistance and utilize the JTPA economically disadvantaged criteria to determine which individuals are most in need of assistance.

11.7(2) *Target groups.* Generally, the target groups will coincide with the target groups that are to be served with the JTPA 6 percent special projects and the JTPA state education coordination and grants 8 percent program in order to encourage coordination, collaboration, and joint funding with those programs.

11.7(3) *JTPA definition used.* The JTPA definitions of the target groups will be used whenever possible. If no JTPA definition exists for a target group, the regional advisory board will develop the definition and publish it in the request for proposal.

11.7(4) *Selection procedures.* Selection procedures for participants in this program should take into consideration those who are most in need of assistance and use the JTPA economically disadvantaged eligibility criteria as a guideline for selecting participants.