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DIRECTIVE: JOB CORPS INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 16-18

TO: ALL JOB CORPS NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF
ALL JOB CORPS REGIONAL OFFICE STAFF
ALL JOB CORPS CENTER DIRECTORS
ALL JOB CORPS CENTER OPERATORS
ALL NATIONAL TRAINING AND SUPPORT CONTRACTORS
ALL OUTREACH, ADMISSIONS, AND CTS CONTRACTORS

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SUBJECT: Job Corps Disability Program Report: Program Year (PY) 2015

1. **Purpose.** To provide an update on the Job Corps Disability Program, including the population, services and supports provided, as well as comparing student outcomes between those students with and without disabilities.

2. **Background.** Job Corps ensures that students with disabilities have equal access to, and are provided with the necessary accommodations to allow full participation in its programs and services. For students with disabilities to achieve their potential and succeed in the workforce, they must have an opportunity to access program offerings and receive coordinated services from admissions throughout all interactions with the Job Corps program. In August 2016, labor force participation of people with disabilities was 19.8 percent; labor force participation of those without disabilities was 68.8 percent\(^1\). Job Corps’ inclusive programming is endeavors to narrow that gap by providing an environment that encourages and supports every student to achieve, regardless of disability status.

3. **Action.** Addressees are to ensure this Information Notice is distributed to all appropriate staff.

4. **Effective Date.** Until superseded.

5. **Inquiries.** Inquiries should be directed to Johnetta Davis at (202) 693-8010 or davis.johnetta@dol.gov.

Attachment
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\(^1\) Labor force measures are based on the civilian, non-institutional population 16 years old and over. (Persons under 16, all inmates of institutions, and persons on active duty in the Armed Forces are excluded.) All other members of the civilian, non-institutional population who are 16 or over and have a job or are actively looking for one and available to work are classified as in the labor force [http://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.t06.htm](http://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.t06.htm). Labor force rates retrieved September 19, 2016.