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(a) In this section, "classroom training" means training conducted in a classroom or in an institutional setting with funds provided under the federal act or with State or federal funds provided to implement the Family Support Act of 1988 including institutional training with private sector employers but not including on-the-job training as defined in the federal act.

(b) To the extent that State funds are made available under § 24 of this subtitle, the Secretary of [Economic and Employment Development] LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION may provide payments as training allowances to provide for support services such as transportation and child care to individuals who require such services in order to participate in classroom training programs.

(c) (1) A payment to an individual under this section shall be based on the actual costs of the service needs, or an approximation of these costs under a flat rate system. The payment system shall be established by the Secretary for all State programs and by the Private Industry Council and administrating agency for a local program in a service delivery area.

(2) Any flat rate payment system shall provide 2 tiers of allowance payments. One tier shall address recipients in need of services other than child care. A higher rate shall be provided for those in need of child care. The flat rates may be computed on a per diem or a weekly basis.

(3) A training allowance to an individual under this section may not exceed \$100 a week.

(4) Allowance payments may be provided to participants that are enrolled in either the federal act Title II-A program, the federal act Title III program or in the job opportunities and basic skills training program based solely on their need for support services.

(d) In order to be eligible for a training allowance under this section, an individual must:

(1) meet the eligibility requirements set forth in the federal act for participation in a Title II-A or a Title III program or the eligibility requirements set forth in the Family Support Act of 1988 for participation in the job opportunities and basic skills training program;

(2) be enrolled in and actively attending a classroom training program; and

(3) not be receiving unemployment compensation, but may be receiving aid to families with dependent children, general public assistance, or similar federal or State cash payments.

(e) (1) Funds shall be allocated to each service delivery area by multiplying the total amount of authorized funds by a ratio derived by dividing the funds allocated to each service delivery area under Title II-A and III of the federal act by the sum of the