**Section 5400.200 Eligible Applicants**

Only individuals who are Illinois residents and who are 18 years or older are eligible to apply for and receive Benefits under the Program. In order to be eligible the Applicant must demonstrate the following:

a) The Applicant must be enrolled in or intend to enroll in a Training Program which has been certified by the Board as qualified for reimbursement pursuant to Section 5400.210(d).

b) *The applicant has established vocational goals directed toward the acquisition of marketable skills.* (Section 14(b) of the Act) Whether an Applicant has established vocational goals will be determined by the Intake Center reviewing the Application. Any course approved by the Authority will provide training directed toward the acquisition of marketable skills.

c) *The applicant has not been issued vouchers in the maximum amount authorized under Section 5400.310 within the 24 months previous to the determination that the applicant is eligible for receipt of benefits under this program.* (Section 14(c) of the Act)

d) *The applicant will not receive funds for a job training program under the federal Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1511) for vocational classroom training or on the job training during the time he or she is receiving assistance under the program.* (Section 14(c) of the Act)

e) The Applicant is either:

1) *within a benefit year as defined in Section 242 of the unemployment insurance act,* (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1985, ch. 48, par. 352) (Section 14(a) of the Act); or

2) unemployed but can establish at least a three year Unemployment Insurance coverage work history by having been *employed as defined under Section 206 of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1985, ch. 48, par. 316) *a minimum of 3 years, such employment to have occurred within 10 years previous to the date of an application for benefits* (Section 14(a) of the Act); or

3) *employed, but is in need of additional skills for continued employment and would be determined to meet the requirements of the Unemployment Insurance Act to establish a benefit year if such applicant became unemployed through a lack of suitable work opportunities.* (Section 14(a) of the Act)

f) The Applicant must be willing and able to meet any additional costs of the training under the Qualified Training Program such as additional fees or tuition costs not paid by the Authority.