



Resources About Employment of Persons With Disabilities

Real People, Real Jobs

A collection of regional stories of people with developmental disabilities in community employment and the strategies that were used to help them find and keep these jobs. www.realworkstories.org

Disability Data in National Surveys

The federal government collects extensive disability survey and administrative data used by federal and state agencies for a variety of purposes. The Mathematical Policy Research Center for Studying Disability Policy reviews the disability-related information and other key features of 43 existing national surveys sponsored by the federal government. Use this URL to search for relevant reports on Disability and Employment: www.mathematica-mpr.com/video#q1=&q2=&keyword=&p=1&sortby=date&sortdir=desc&facets=&datefacets=

Measuring the Outcomes of Job Seekers with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities in the Vocational Rehabilitation Program

Most people with intellectual or developmental disabilities aspire to gainful employment. State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agencies offer services that are based upon Individualized Plans for Employment (IPEs). This DataNote explores how many individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities progress to receive services as a critical intermediate outcome toward gainful employment. statedata.info/datanotes/pdf/DN28_F.pdf

Training and Employment Guidance Letter: Increasing Enrollment and Improving Services to Youth with Disabilities

This resource provides information and resources on promising practices and successful strategies that promote the enrollment, education, training, and employment outcomes of youth with disabilities.

<https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/TEGL/TEGL31-10ACC.pdf>

The National Report on Employment Services and Outcomes

This report looks at unemployment statistics of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) over a 20-year period from several national data sets that address the status of employment and economic self-sufficiency for this population. It contains an overview of national trends, an in-depth perspective on how states collect and use employment data, and an appendix with individual state and national profiles. www.statedata.info

State Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Agencies' Service Trends

This DataNote shares the results of the survey on ways in which state intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) agencies are changing to support more integrated employment outcomes for adults with IDD. www.statedata.info/datanotes/state-intellectual-and-developmental-disability-agencies-service-trends

Success Stories

These stories demonstrate the determination, innovation, partnerships, and collaboration that make an impact on the lives of the individuals, families, and businesses www.tennesseeworks.org/success-stories/

Bureau of Labor Statistics Employment Status Report

This report gives statistics of the employment of the civilian population by sex, age, and disability status. www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.t06.htm

Small Business Association

This Association provides information about the benefits of hiring people with disabilities. www.sba.gov/content/hiring-people-with-disabilities

US Census Releases Disability Income and Poverty Statistics

This report from the Census Bureau provides information about disability, income, and poverty. www.census.gov/content/census/en/topics/health/publications.All.html/



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Ready and Able: Addressing Labor Market Needs and Building Productive Careers for People with Disabilities Through Collaborative Approaches

The National Technical Assistance and Research Leadership Center at Rutgers University conducted research into the hiring, training and retention of people with disabilities in the workplace.

www.dol.gov/odep/categories/workforce/ReadyAble/ReadyAble.pdf

The Great Recession and Serving Dislocated Workers with Disabilities

The National Technical Assistance and Research (NTAR) Leadership Center reports on long-term unemployment, its consequences, and whether people with disabilities who had lost their jobs were seeking services from the public workforce system.

www.dol.gov/odep/pdf/ntar-great-recession-report.pdf

Office of Disability Employment Customized Employment Videos

These videos focus on employers and youth and highlight the benefits of customized employment, an employment strategy which matches the skills and preferences of the individual with the specific business needs of the employer.

www.dol.gov/dol/media/webcast/20110610-odep-ce/

Workplace Accommodations: Low Cost, High Impact

This resource from the Job Accommodation Network (JAN), funded by the Office of Disability Employment Policy, addresses the costs and benefits of job accommodations.

<https://askjan.org/media/downloads/LowCostHighImpact.pdf>

Access to Integrated Employment (AIE) Project

This project offers training, clinical, and employment services, conducts research, and provides assistance to organizations to promote inclusion of people with disabilities in school, work, and community activities.

www.communityinclusion.org/aie

Vanderbilt Resources

Vanderbilt Kennedy Center (VKC)

The VKC works with and for people with disabilities and their family members, service providers and advocates, researchers and policy makers. It is among only a few centers nationwide to be a University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, a *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research Center, and a Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities Training Program.

vkc.vumc.org

Tennessee Disability Pathfinder

Pathfinder is a free statewide phone, web, and print referral service in English and Spanish. It connects the Tennessee disability community with service providers and resources. Its website database has over 3,000 agencies searchable by Tennessee county and service. Pathfinder is a project of the VKC, TN Council on Developmental Disabilities, TN Department of Health, and the TN Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. (615) 322-8529, toll-free (800) 640-4636 www.familypathfinder.org

Employment of Persons with Disabilities

The VKC is committed to working in the area of employment of persons with disabilities. Activities promote meaningful work for youth and adults with disabilities through model service programs and technical assistance, training, research, and information sharing.

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