



InfoBrief: New Employment Program

We are pleased to announce the Person-Centered Supported Employment Performance Program (PCSEPP 3) is well underway! The programs are focusing on those who have never been employed and are identified by the DOJ Consent Decree as part of the protected class (youth exit, sheltered workshop, day).

National experts have come to Rhode Island to help get the projects started and trained in the evidence best practice of Customized Employment. “Customized employment” is a very successful option for job seekers who have not been successful with traditional employment. Through an individualized discovery process job seekers strengths, talents and interests are identified and are matched to businesses unmet needs. By building and negotiating job duties and schedules along with the right supervision, job seekers can be successful in the workplace.

The four projects all presented at two virtual open houses on September 21 and October 6 hosted by Advocates in Action. If you were not able to attend the presentations live, they were recorded and are now available on the Advocates in Action website:

<https://www.advocatesinaction.org/2020Webinars>.

For additional information go to BHDDH Developmental Disabilities Employment page:

https://bhddh.ri.gov/developmentaldisabilities/employmentfirst_index.php

Below is the list of the project teams with contacts – please reach out to them for more information about these unique projects.

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