CPTP disability WORKgroup meeting

Date: 7.18.23

Time: 10-11am

**Location:** Zoom

**Chair:** David Friedman

Workgroup Members Present: Brittany Boston, David Friedman, Lori Kitner, Mike Massie, Lee Reese, Jasmine Williams, Kevin Irvine, and Michele Velez

**Workgroup Members Absent:** LaDonna Henson, Aime’e Julian, Kraig Kistinger, Erik Hanson, Tom Wendorf, Biswa Phuyal, and Daniel Kuehnert

Guests: Mark Lohman

**Workgroup Support:** Sarah Blalock and Molly Cook

| Time | Item | Presenter |
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| 10:00am | Welcome and Introductions | David Friedman |
| 10:03am | Recap May Meeting  David Friedman welcomed the group, conducted roll call and then provided an overview of the workgroup and the last meeting. | David Friedman |
| 10:05am | Review CPTP Quarterly Meeting – June 14, 2023   * Recap meeting * For those who attended, what went well, what did you learn, what would you change?   David asked for feedback from those who attended the meeting. Molly Cook noted that it was helpful to view the apprenticeship program from all angles, including the pitfalls, to create a more detailed picture.  David asked what people felt about the site visits? David noted that he found those super useful and it helps visualize the process better.  Molly asked Lee and Michele how the online component worked for them. Both said it was fine. David asked if the group needed to add opportunities for online participants to engage. Lee said he felt engaged and was happy to host the CPTP in his area. David added that he is happy the IWIB and the CPTP are trying to be present in each region of the state.  Molly gave an overview of Soulcial Kitchen and the founder, John Michel.  Mark noted in the chat: Although speakers can be excellent, site visits are much better. Both morning and afternoon / evening were very worthwhile!  David added that both for this workgroup and for the CPTP that tying in a site visit to each meeting should be added to the quarterly meeting.  Molly noted that in September the CPTP will be in the Lake County Area. David asked if there was a site visit correlated with that meeting. Mark noted in the chat, “Yes”.  David asked if there should be any changes? David asked if having the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC) was helpful. David noted that logistically it was difficult. Sarah noted that from a staff standpoint it was very useful, and Molly added that possibly doing this once a year or trying to attend the SRC meeting to better understand their charges and vision would be nice as well. Mark noted in the chat, “I think it was especially important to have State Rehabilitation Council learn about CPTP, IWIB, and the workforce system. It was great to meet.”  Molly asked if Kevin had any questions and welcomed him to the group. Kevin noted in the chat:  Kevin Irvine, Senior Talent Acquisition Consultant, Individuals with Disabilities  RUSH University Medical Center  My Pronouns: he/him/his  My Disabilities: HIV, Hemophilia B  Kevin\_Irvine@rush.edu  <https://www.linkedin.com/in/kevinirvinechi/> | David Friedman |
| 10:15am | Discuss and plan webinar series – employer focused   * May 17: Accommodations and Universal Design for Learning (UDL)   + Review feedback * July 26: Individualized Support   + Preview questions and speakers   David reviewed the May webinar. David specifically noted the attendance was good and a note from a reviewer that the panelist questions seemed to be slow in presentation. Moving forward David noted that they would be more calculated about who is asked each question.  David asked if there is there any feedback from those who attended the UDL Webinar? David asked Lori, a presenter, how she felt? Lori noted that she felt each presenter contributed based on each others answers and IDHS/DRS felt it went well also.  David reviewed the webinar that will be held in July.  Panelists:   * Nanette Cohen, JCFS * John Michel, Soulcial Kitchen * Brittany Hyde and Bridget Glavaz, University of Chicago Medicine and Anixter   David then reviewed the format of the webinar and the questions that each/all of the presenters will be asked.  Molly shared the registration link in the chat: <https://illinoisstate.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_w1lwbe5LSlSleu0c-_VPKg#/registration>  Kevin asked in the chat, “Do you know if the webinar will be recorded and archived? I have a conflict at that date & time”. Molly said that the recording will be on the [Illinois Workforce website](https://ilworkforceacademy.com/workforce-webinars/) within 48 hours, but encouraged Kevin and those who cannot attend to register regardless so that the recording will be emailed to them directly.  Kevin noted in the chat: FYI, in case this wasn’t on anyone else’s radar. <https://www.disabilityrightsca.org/press-release/disability-rights-california-applauds-the-creation-of-the-office-of-employment-first> | All |
| 10:45am | Looking ahead: Workplan Review and Charge & Priorities review   * We will be updating our workplan in the next few meetings and asking the following questions:   + What short-term deliverables are we working toward?   + What long-term deliverables are we working toward * Do our charges and priorities need any updates?   David reviewed the charge and priorities of the group and noted that in August they will be reviewed.  Lee Reese noted that the Climate Economic Jobs Acts (CEJA) has a target population for justice impacted citizens, but it would be a good time to consider asking about the disability population.  Molly asked if Lee could give an overview of CEJA: a small amount of everyone’s electric bill is set aside to fund help Illinois not be reliant on fossil fuels by 2045. Lee noted that many of the jobs could be done by individuals with disabilities and getting on Lisa Jones’ radar would be a great idea. David agreed that this is a great idea. David also noted that new members will be added to the IWIB, so gaining new members in that route would be good too. Molly added this is a good opportunity to add members with lived experience. David agreed and stated this should be an added priority of the group.  Molly asked the group what would be the best way to give this information to the group? The group noted that sending the charge, priorities, and questions to the workgroup overview email would be best. Molly will send that out.  Molly gave an overview of the committee orientation and noted that she would send on the information to the group later today.  Lee added that the Apprenticeship Committee is hosting a Bootcamp 8th and 9th of August at the Bloomington Normal Conference center.  David previewed the hiring event at the Central West Community Center, today from 1:30-4:00pm. | All |
| 10:55am | Next Steps | David Friedman |
| 11:00am | Conclude   * Next Meeting: August 15, 2023 | David Friedman |
| **Charge:**  Identify and provide strategies and recommendations for eliminating barriers to ongoing employment for individuals with disabilities.  **Priorities:**  ***Service integration:*** Highlight opportunities for funding, collaboration among agencies, best practice business models, referrals, etc.  ***Career pathway awareness:*** Align focus and priorities around career pathways that support ongoing employment for individuals with disabilities  ***Continuous improvement:*** Identify opportunities for ongoing improvements in collaborative efforts, awareness raising opportunities, and advocacy | | |