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To: Employment First stakeholders

From: Acacia McGuire Anderson, Statewide Employment First Coordinator

Re: Employment First: Employment Resources, Fact Sheets and Materials

(Please forward to your local partners & stakeholders)

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Note: The FAQ from the Oct. 9 stakeholder call is posted at:

https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/FAQ-from-VR_ODDS-Stakeholder-Call-October-9-2018.pdf

At the request of stakeholders, Employment First has created a wide variety of outreach and marketing materials, including family-friendly fact sheets and videos, that we encourage Service Coordinators, Personal Agents, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors, employment providers and other stakeholders, to use.

I thought it would be nice to remind people of the many resources we have, including fact sheets, videos, stories, posters, and much more. Please read through this entire message and save it for future reference.

Supported Employment Fact Sheets, include one page, simple descriptions of all employment services are online at: <https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/seniors-disabilities/dd/pages/supported-employment.aspx>. In addition to fact sheets on each individual service, we also have a one-page sheet available in English, Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese, and Simplified Chinese.

Simple, family-friendly Powtoon videos on every employment service.

Job Development Video: <https://youtu.be/Eb4QTJ6PKgY>

Job Coaching Video: <https://youtu.be/7KcfFBTbH5U>

Discovery Video: <https://youtu.be/peNAySsTrDg>

Small Group Supported Video: https://youtu.be/iY4mjs1M0_4

Employment Path Video: <https://youtu.be/4DWebPItUug>

Maximizing Hours Video: <https://youtu.be/5deIFQAAgi0>

PSW Job Coach Video: <https://youtu.be/L9QFCoWoqDI>

We have more than **26 videos**, including success story videos showing people with significant disabilities working, plus training videos, employer and parent testimonials and more, on the Supported Employment Playlist of the DHS YouTube page. You can subscribe to this playlist and then be automatically

notified when a new video is posted:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLsrX1nc_gB0oa11ltVHNESTYIYfSeLL-H

We have a **DHS Flickr** account with more than 800 photos from individual success stories taken across the state. These photos can be used for Employment First promotional efforts, with permission. If you are interested in using a photo, contact us. <https://www.flickr.com/photos/dhsoregon/albums>

We have more than **55 success stories** on our website, organized by date and region of the state. You can print these stories out and share with individuals and their families as a way of talking about the great diversity of jobs and experiences people have in community employment:

<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/SUCCESS-STORIES>

Other fact sheets that are useful to print and distribute include:

- Benefits Counseling and SSI Fact Sheet:
<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/SSI%20Living%20Wage%20Transition.pdf>
- Benefits Counseling and SSDI Fact Sheet:
<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/SSDI%20Living%20Wage%20Transition.pdf>
- Family-friendly fact sheet for people in sheltered workshops:
<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/DHS-7643-sheltered-handout.pdf>
- Employer testimonial fact sheet to hand out to businesses:
<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/DHS%209440%20Employer%20Testimonials.pdf>
- State as Model employer fact sheet:
<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/DHS%209449%20EF%20state%20as%20model%20handout%20v5.pdf>
- Family-friendly data and outcomes report:
https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/EF_Outcomes_Successes_October_2017.pdf

All of these documents, and much more, are searchable on our **Documents web page**: <https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT->

[FIRST/Pages/Publications.aspx](https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Pages/Publications.aspx). Most of these documents are also searchable on the I/DD Policy page. On the **I/DD Policy** page, you can find all relevant employment policies organized by topic area and by date:

<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Pages/policy.aspx>

We have a **training page**, with a training calendar, a list of the regional specialists around the state, information about transformation and innovation grants, and more: <https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Pages/training.aspx>

The **Employment Outcomes System website** allows you to look up providers in your area and see their outcomes and if they have capacity in certain areas: <http://oregoneos.org>

All the materials from Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the I Work We Succeed campaign are all online at:

<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Pages/I-Work-We-Succeed.aspx>. Here you can find our downloadable logo, brochure (in multiple languages), local job developer brochure insert, and all of our regional posters, sortable by area of the state and by employer or employee quotes. All of these materials are downloadable and available.

Finally, you can like our **Facebook** page and follow us for updates and employment-related news: <https://www.facebook.com/OREmploymentfirst>

If you have any questions about any materials, please email us at: employment.first@state.or.us

Thank you,

Acacia