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To: Employment First stakeholders

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Re: Employment First: New Provider & Partner Resources

(Please forward to your local partners & stakeholders)

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Example of an item on the Provider Resources page.

We recently redesigned the [Provider & Partners Resources page](#) on the Employment First website with additional materials and tools that we hope are helpful.

In 2017, Employment First issued innovation grants to more than 20 organizations throughout Oregon. Recipients included providers, family organizations, and case management entities. The purpose of these grants was to expand efforts to increase competitive integrated employment opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD).

We have added many of the materials, toolkits and resources created by organizations from these grants to this website. The resources are organized in three categories: Employer Engagement, Family Engagement, Training Tools, and Provider Model Work. Examples of materials found on this page include videos from Family and Community Together (FACT), an employment engagement event toolkit from Dirkse Counseling & Consulting, job coaching information for educators from MV Advancements, and much more.

As we receive more innovative and helpful materials, we will continue to add to these resource page. The web page is at:

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

~ Acacia