

Moving Employment Forward



Moving Employment Forward Together

This **free** series will focus on contemporary employment best practices, and specific skill building to successfully implement practices aimed at increasing employment outcomes. Everyone is employable and it is everyone's job to embrace employment and support individuals in their RECOVERY and EVERYDAY LIVES. We hope that you will participate in future sessions and join us as we celebrate positive attitudes and beliefs about the benefits of employment for all!

Schedule of Events:

Supported Employment Evidenced Based Practices:

December 7, 2011 9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library - Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room) **or**

December 15, 2011 9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Student Commons on the Bucks County Community College, Lower Bucks Campus in Bristol

Join us for an exciting day where we will learn about Supported Employment Evidenced Based Practices (SE EBP) and why employing these practices result in better employment outcomes. Together we will learn from those who have engaged in these practices and from those who have benefitted from them by achieving their desired employment. We will celebrate individual successes in Bucks County and recognize local employers who have supported positive employment partnerships. Resources will be available that promote and support employment.

Target Audience: Transition-age young adults/adults in recovery, family members and all practitioners of the mental health system.

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Getting to Know You: Discovering the Unique Gifts, Talents and Passions that Lead to Employment!: (Jill Gromen & Tracy Katz, Networks)

January 18, 2012 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library – Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

Join us as we explore together how to discover each individual's interests, preferences, and gifts that become the keys to successful job development. Various tools will be shared to create "out-of-the-box" opportunities for everyone including job seekers.

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The Art of Community Connection: (Joe Murphy & George Callaway, Networks)

February 15, 2012 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library – Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

Finding ways to participate in and contribute to your community brings satisfaction and fulfillment. Join us as we learn how each of us can help to facilitate community connections and relationships that enhance lives and can lead to community engagement and employment.

Career Development: (Diane Kehoe & Joe Murphy, Networks)

March 14, 2012, 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library – Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

Brainstorm creative approaches to match interests and gifts to possible career paths. Learn how various tools such as vocational profiles, situational assessments, and environmental inventories can help you and the people you support find direction and plan for the future.

Dispelling the Myths: Social Security Work Incentives: (Julia Barol, Networks)

April 18, 2012 9:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library - Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

Have you heard so many different stories about Social Security and going to work that you're not sure what's right and what's not? This session will look at benefits: SSI, SSDI, Medicare and Medicaid, PASS Plans and MAWD. Come find out about how work may impact benefits so that you can make an informed decision about working and your future.

How Do I Connect with Employers?: (Rob Hoffman, Employment Analytics; Sponsored with support from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (CFDA #93.768)

May 7, 2012 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at James Lorah House – Auditorium

Join us as we explore job development from a business perspective! This presentation will offer creative options to position yourself as a trusted source through networks and connections, and show employers how they can create efficiencies and positively effect their bottom line in the current economy.

You will learn key strategies that include speaking the language of the business community, approaching employers from an employer development perspective rather than a human

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services perspective, and building rewarding business relationships with employers to create win-win opportunities.

Teaching and Learning in the Community: (Jen McCary, Networks)

June 20, 2012 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library - Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

Explore effective teaching strategies and techniques that support people to learn the essentials of their job while encouraging the development of natural supports. Individuals are encouraged to attend and share what works for them.

Accommodation and Ongoing Natural Supports: (Joe Murphy & Andrew Vizuete, Networks)

September 19, 2012 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library - Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

Join us as we explore how to use various forms of technology and accommodations that are critical to successful employment. Learn the importance of natural supports and how to develop a systematic plan for fading paid supports that can lead to on the job independence.

Entrepreneurship – Celebration of Successes!: (Joe Murphy & Jill Gromen, Networks & Guest Presenters)

October 17, 2012 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library - Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

Join us as we explore current trends and innovative approaches in supported employment. A diverse panel of presenters will share their stories of success about how employment and being a contributing member of the community can be life changing.

Career Planning Workshop: (Diane Kehoe & Shauna Roman, Networks)

October 31, 2012 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; November 21, 2012 9:30a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; December 11, 2012 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Bucks County Public Library - Doylestown (Pearl S. Buck Room)

The series will culminate in eight to ten selected teams coming together for two and a half days to practically apply the information and techniques shared in the preceding workshops. Teams will begin a planning process with the focus person to identify vocational themes, directions for meaningful employment, and create a personal portfolio to be used in their employment search. Interested teams will be asked to submit an application for consideration. For information please contact Joyce Schug or Nicole Van Reymersdal at 215-444-2800

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Location Addresses:

December 15, 2011
Bucks County Community College – Lower Bucks Campus
Student Commons
1304 Veterans Hwy
Bristol, PA 19007

May 7, 2012
James Lorah House - Auditorium
100 N. Broad St.
Doylestown, PA 18901

All other trainings
Bucks County Public Library – Doylestown
Pearl S. Buck Room
150 S. Pine Street
Doylestown, PA 18901

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