

Employment Policy Resource List

APSE - *Employment First Resources*

Includes variety of resources, including map of current Employment First Activity, and copy of SELN Employment First Resource List, documenting activity across the United States –

- www.apse.org/employmentfirst

CMS Information Bulletin (September 2011) – *Updates to the 1915(c) Waiver Instructions and Technical Guide regarding employment and employment related services (September 2011)*

Information bulletin providing guidance for implementation of CMS's goal to promote integrated employment through use of Medicaid waiver funds

- www.cms.gov/CMCSBulletins/downloads/CIB-9-16-11.pdf

CMS Final Rule on HCBS (January 2014) – Final rule on Home and Community Based Services Settings Rule issued in January 2014, plus background information and guidance.

- www.medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Long-Term-Services-and-Supports/Home-and-Community-Based-Services/Home-and-Community-Based-Services.html

HCBS Advocacy – Website that contains every states HCBS 5-year transition plan, and additional background information.

- <http://hcbadvocacy.org>

Federal Hiring Initiatives – Encouraging employment of people with disabilities by the federal government, with a focus in part on use of “Schedule A” that streamlines hiring process

- General Information: www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/disability-employment
- Schedule A Information: www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/disability-employment/hiring/#url=Schedule-A-Hiring-Authority

Federal Contractor Requirements – Strengthened requirements for federal contractors to take affirmative actions to recruit and hire workers with disabilities

- www.dol.gov/ofccp/regs/compliance/section503.htm
- Database of federal contractors: www.fedspending.org

National Disability Rights Network – *Segregated and Exploited* – 2011 and 2012 reports finding a failure of the service system to provide quality employment services and supports for people with disabilities

- www.ndrn.org/en/issues/employment.html

National Governor's Association - *A Better Bottom Line* Initiative to improve employment outcomes (blueprint issued in July 2013) -

- <http://ci.nga.org/cms/home/1213/index>

Oregon Lawsuit – Information on settlement agreement with State of Oregon on lawsuit claiming that placement in sheltered workshops in a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act
www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-reaches-proposed-ada-settlement-agreement-oregons-developmental

Senate HELP Committee Report– *Unfinished Business: Making Employment of People with Disabilities a National Priority (July 2012)*

- www.harkin.senate.gov/documents/pdf/500469b49b364.pdf

U.S. Department of Labor – Advisory Committee on Increasing Competitive Integrated Employment for Individuals with Disabilities – Information and reports from committee authorized by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014

- www.dol.gov/odep/topics/WIOA.htm

U.S. Department of Justice Olmstead Enforcement – Agreements with states increasingly focus on integrated employment (e.g., Rhode Island, Georgia, Virginia, North Carolina)

- www.ada.gov/olmstead

U.S. Government Accountability Office Report– *Employment for People with Disabilities: Little is Known about the Effectiveness of Fragmented and Overlapping Programs (June 2012)*

- www.gao.gov/products/GAO-12-677

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