DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT MONTH

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month. Many activities are planned for young adults, families, employers, and community partners.
The Work Ability Career Fair will be held on Tuesday, October 8th to recruit for jobs.
The Medicaid and Working event will be held on October 10th to help families learn how to maintain benefits. The Golden Key awards, on October 11th honor businesses who employ people with disabilities. The Disability Etiquette panel on October 15th will answer questions about interacting with people with disabilities. The What Business Expects session on October 24th will feature business leaders sharing tips for interviews, resumes, dress, and more. The From No Where to Know Where training on October 24th will help families prepare for the transition to adulthood. For details, and to RSVP to attend events, visit http://www.workabilityutah.org.

HEAT

With cooler temperatures, families may need assistance to keep their homes warm. The Home Energy Assistance Target (HEAT) Program eligibility is up to 150% of the poverty level. For details, visit http://jobs.utah.gov/housing/seal/heat.html.

BRIEF UPDATES

* The Utah Legislative session is approaching. Find out who your representatives are and let them know the issues that are important to your family.
* The government shutdown has affected WIC.
* The open enrollment for the Affordable Care Act is different and separate from Medicare Open enrollment.
* Welcome to Ann Silverberg Williamson, the new Executive Director of the Department of Human Services.

UPCOMING EVENTS & MORE UPDATES

* Tell the Employment Partnership how the government shutdown is affecting your organization or family.
* Catholics Can celebration of gifts and contributions by people with disabilities on October 12th, 2:00 pm at St. Ambrose Parish in Salt Lake City.
* Putting the Pieces of the Puzzle Together on October 9th 3:30 to 5:30 pm in Brigham City at Bridgerland ATC.
* Plan for the Future: Transition Workshop on Employment and Education on October 22nd from 6:30 to 9:00 pm at the Canyons Technical Education Center.
* The Transition Action Guide workgroup is meeting to update the document.
* The Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities Reception with Legislators will be held on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at the Capitol. Details and RSVP at www.lcpdut.org.
* Congratulations to the Utah Parent Center on their successful 30 Year Celebration and fundraising event.
* Emergency Preparedness Tips: Keep fuel in your car and have sturdy shoes in case of an evacuation.
* Next Employment Partnership meeting November 7th.