



THE WORK SHEET

The Employment Partnership results in agencies collaborating and coordinating their policies, resources, services, and training to more effectively serve individuals with disabilities to achieve their employment goals.

Employment happenings in Utah for our peeps.

UTAH INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS: SAVE, MATCH, & MOVING ON UP

Wanted: People with low incomes that are ready to get more education, start a new business, or buy that first home. And new this year: Assistive Technology for the workplace.

The Utah Individual Development (IDA) Network helps

people save money for future school, business, assistive technology, or home purchase. Individuals with a job can save \$1 and it will be matched with \$3 in the IDA. Individuals can save up to \$1,500 of income, and it's matched with \$4,500. Fi-

ancial education and support are provided.

UIDAN is looking for a candidate to save for Assistive Technology. If you know someone or would like a presentation to learn more contact Martha Wunderli at Martha@faircredit.org.

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

The Division of Services for People With Disabilities (DSPD) received \$150,000 in one-time funding for supported employment starting July 1, 2010. Rep. Rhonda Menlove has been instrumental in sponsoring Supported Employment legislation.

The project is a partnership of The Utah State Office of Rehabilitation and the Division of Services for People with Disabilities. Community service brokers will receive training this month.

Data matches are complete to find eligible people. DSPD

will look at services that have been used to find underutilized services, like co-worker supports.

Individuals are encouraged to contact their community service broker to find out more and set up an employment plan.

BRIEF UPDATES

Turn Community Services now manages the pooled special needs trust formerly managed by the ARC of Utah.

The Utah Department of Health has prepared a brief on how Health Care Reform might affect Medicaid.

Lisa-Michelle Church has resigned as Director of Utah's Department of Human Services and will be replaced by Palmer DePaulis.

The Think Beyond The Label campaign will have a new commercial in October.

ASAP STARTS

The Alternative State Application Program (ASAP) started May 11 and allows for appointing qualified persons with disabilities to open, State hard-to-fill jobs. Human resources personnel are being trained and the program will expand over time.

EMPLOYMENT PARTNERSHIP

MEMBERS: In case you wondered...

- Individuals with disabilities
- Parents and Advocates
- Utah State Office of Rehabilitation
- USOR Employer Relations
- USOR Benefits Planning
- Department of Workforce Services
- Utah State Office of Education, Special Education
- Division of Services for People with Disabilities
- Division of Medicaid and Health Financing
- Utah Independent Living Council
- Division of Substance Abuse & Mental Health
- Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
- Division of Community and Family Health Services
- Utah Parent Center
- Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities
- Utah Association of Community Services
- UBET/Chamber of Commerce
- Governor's Office of Economic Development
- Utah Developmental Disabilities Council
- USU Center for Persons with Disabilities
- Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities
- Becoming Leaders for Tomorrow
- Work Ability Utah

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- * Work Incentive Seminar Event (WISE) July 21, 2010.
- * Special Education Law Conference August 2-3, 2010, learn more at <http://www.usu.edu/taese/>.
- * Outdoor Retailer's Summer Market, August 3, 2010, www.outdoorretailer.com.
- * Next Employment Partnership meeting August 5, 2010. **No meeting in July.**
- * Employer Workshop, September 14, 2010, www.workabilityutah.org/.
- * October is Disability Employment Awareness Month; contact Carol to help with poster sessions across the state.
- * Legisla-tive Coalition for People with Disabilities (LCPD) 2011 Legislative Reception, February 2, 2011, www.lcpdut.org.
- * Got an event for the Work Sheet? Email Carol Ruddell. cruddell@utah.gov
- * Nominate someone for the Golden Key Award by October 1, 2010, offered by the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, awards on October 8, 2010, <http://www.usor.utah.gov:81/gwutah/goldenkey.php>.