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Indiana Department of Workforce Development





Topics

- 1. Disability Employment Initiative
- 2. Employment Network and Ticket to Work
- 3. Sub-Grants and Available Funding
- 4. Partnering and Sustainability



Disability Employment Initiative (IN-DEI)

- October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2015 training of staff and building relationships within the business and disability community
- October 1, 2013 began "live" implementation of IN-DEI within the WorkOne offices

Overall Scope:

- Increase access to the public workforce system
 - Equal Access (Program and Structural)
- Assign Tickets for individuals receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- Increase education and career pathways, leading to employment and economic self-sufficiency
 - Various components are utilized, such as Asset Development/Financial Literacy

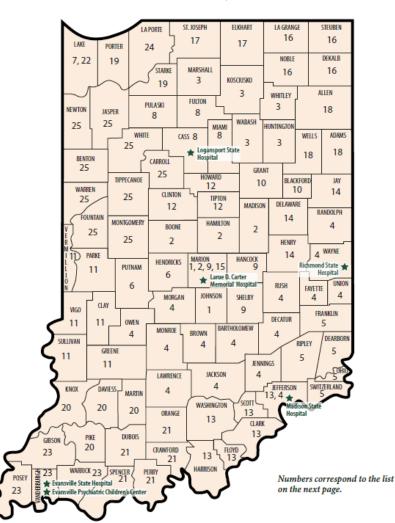


Participating Regions

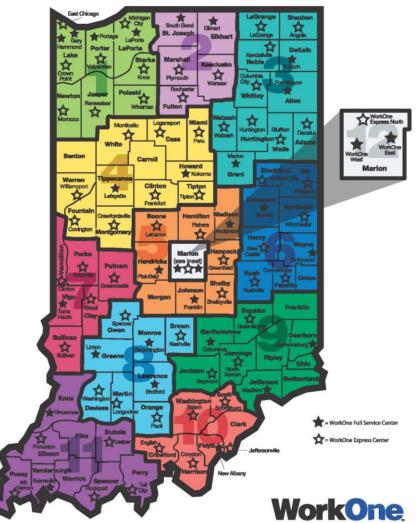
Division of Mental Health and Addiction

Indiana Family & Social Services Administration

State Operated Facilities and Community Mental Health Centers



- Pilot Regions 1, 2, 4, 7, 9
- Control Regions 5, 6, 11, Marion Co





Pilot Site versus Control Site

- Pilot regions will:
 - Implement the grant
 - Operate as an Employment Network
 - Participate in the Social Security Administration's Ticket to Work (TtW) Program (will define later)
 - Hire a full-time staff person Disability Resource Coordinator (DRC)
- Control regions will:
 - Serve as the comparison group, attend business as usual, and participate in the evaluation process



Focus

- DEI will serve adult Hoosiers (ages 18-64) with disabilities, be it:
 - Physical;
 - Developmental;
 - Psychiatric or other non-visible disabilities,
 - Persons who have or are eligible for Ticket to Work;
 - Disabled Veterans or eligible spouses, and
 - Individuals with disabilities who have additional barriers to education, training, or employment success.



Outreach Efforts

- Lack a high school diploma or GED
- Basic skills deficient
- Criminal record
- Homeless and/or receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits
- Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs)
 - Provide enhanced services to individuals with moderate to severe mental illness, a sub-group of persons with disabilities facing extreme levels of unemployment and poverty.



Employment Network and Ticket To Work



Employment Network / Ticket To Work

- The Ticket to Work (TtW) Program was established by the Social Security Administration
- The individual can assign their Ticket to a participating Employment Network (EN) for assistance in achieving their desired vocational goal
- Provides payments to participating ENs for assisting the individual in becoming self-sufficient through employment
- The goal is to decrease the individuals dependence on their cash benefits (SSI/SSDI) by increasing their work effort to sustain gainful activity and achieve self-sufficiency



Ticket to Work (cont) E-data / Outreach – available to a Workforce Agency

- Designated person will obtain security (suitability) clearance to access the portal to conduct Data Match (e-data).
- Individuals with security clearance can submit data through a secure portal to MAXIMUS – the Operation Support Manager (OSM). The portal will show immediate results of who has an assignable ticket.
- Outreach to individuals who have a Ticket available for use through mail, e-mail, phone call, etc. and invite him/her to attend a Ticket to Work workshop!



What is a WorkOne office?

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ITS **WorkOne** CENTERS

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	Advancing your career is important and DWD can help individual Hoosiers find training opportunities in high-skill, in-demand industries.	 Where can I report unemployment insurance benefit fraud? Where can I find the required employer posters? 		



Available Resources within WorkOne Office

- Access to free accessible online career interest, skills, and work values assessments – IndianaCareerExplorer.org
- Access to Mind Leaders e-training, WIN career readiness training, WorkKeys assessments, National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)
- Individuals will have their basic skills assessed utilizing the Test for Adult Basic Education (TABE) and those who are basic skills deficient or who lack a high school diploma or GED will be referred to Adult Basic Education for educational enrichment
- WorkINdiana



CMHC Sub-Grants



Community Mental Health Centers

- Available funding awarded to CMHCs \$403,239
- Funds are awarded competitively that meet certain criteria (scope and details provided in RFA)
 - 10% administrative
- Tied to specific measurements
 - Outcomes
 - Ticket Assignments
 - Expenditures



CMHCs (cont)

- CMHCs will provide expertise and support to individuals with moderate to severe mental illness
- Individuals will receive the benefit of working jointly with the two agencies: 1) the very specific expertise on mental illness from the CMHCs and 2) assistance with job development and job placement within the WorkOne offices
- CMHCs will use the same outcomes identified in the IN-DEI grant but will contribute in supplying information to the specific goals related to CMHCs (results will be added to the state's cumulative goals)



Eligibility Requirements for the CMHC

- Certified;
- Be located within the pilot site;
- Operate as an EN within the pilot regions; or
- Have a plan in place for one of the below models:
 - Community Administrative EN Model
 - Workforce Administrative EN Model, comes with the benefit of Eprocesses (simplified processes for workforce ENs only)



Timeline

- Release of RFA: November 5, 2013
- Question from CMHCS will be submitted by November 15, 2013
- State Lead will provide answers to questions on November 20, 2013
- Proposals are due by December 2, 2013
 - Will be reviewed by DWD's Contract Unit and FSSA's Division of Mental Health and Addiction
- Notification of Awards will be completed by December 20, 2013
- Signature Process: December 23 January 31 (approximately 6 weeks)
- Contracts begin February 3, 2014 and run through September 30, 2015

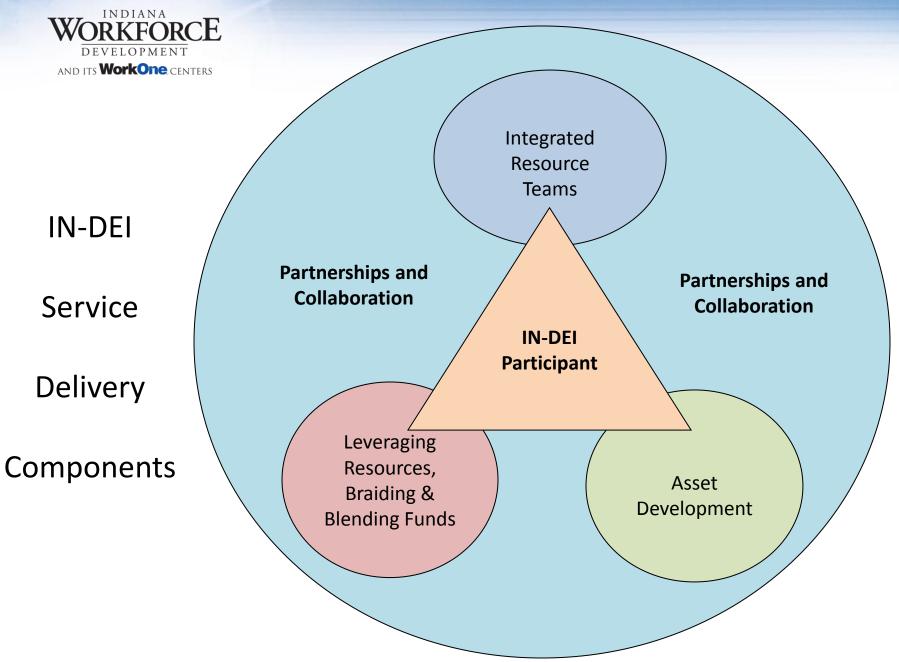


Examples of Sub-Grants

- Is there a location that's underserved/rural where efforts could be focused on out-patient/in-patient efforts, thus making it easier to obtain accessible and available services?
- Internships
- Limited English Proficiency
- Based on proposal, will you be hiring staff members to carry out implementation?
- Marketing and Outreach
- Assistive Technology and Accessibility
- School to work transition
 - Community Colleges, Technical Schools, Universities



IN-DEI Service Delivery Components





Integrated Resource Teams (IRT)

- IRTs will have a minimum of three members (in addition to the individual with a disability)
 - 1. DRC
 - 2. Individual's primary case manager (can not be the Disability Resource Coordinator)
 - 3. One other partner
- If the individual with a disability is a veteran, a veteran's services representative must also serve on the IRT



Role of the IRT

- IRT is client-focused!
- Combine efforts from different agencies and service systems to coordinate services and leverage funding to meet the educational, employment, and/or training needs of the individual with a disability
- Avoids duplicating services!
- DRC coordinates and oversees framework
- Lead to the outcome of increased living wage, permanent employment for individuals with disabilities or multiple challenges to employment AND increased WIA access.



IRT (cont)

• An IRT may consist of members from a wide variety of community programs and service providers, including:

• The Workforce Investment System

- Mental Health
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Independent Living Center
- Programs for Deaf & Hard-of-Hearing
- Commission for the Blind
- Community Work Incentives Coordinator
- Supported Employment Specialist
- Housing Provider
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Advocates / Friends of Job Seeker



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