

New York State's Comprehensive Employment Systems – Medicaid Infrastructure Grant

What It Is And What It Means To You!

New York Makes Work Pay is a statewide initiative currently funded for calendar years 2009 and 2010 intended to dramatically improve the rate of employment among people with disabilities.

If You Are A Person With A Disability:

- Access to toll-free work incentives assistance to answer a range of questions related to benefits and work 1-888-224-3272
- Access to healthcare through the Medicaid Buy-In for Working People with Disabilities including racial and ethnic minorities
- Access to 100 new Work Incentives Counselors statewide
- Access to improved job training and placement services and services to start your own business
- Strategies to increase your assets including tax refunds through the Earned Income Tax Credit

If You Are An Employment Service Provider:

- Share information about effective practices through an annual Employment and Economic Summit, Regional Learning Communities, print products and issues briefs
- Build partnerships to align disability services, workforce and economic development efforts
- Learn evidence-based practice and participate in model communities of practice to build employer and service provider capacities to improve employment outcomes;
- Participate as a member of the statewide Work Incentives Information Network (WIIN) with a network of in-person and distance learning training programs
- Learn and apply approaches and innovations leading to increased self-employment for New Yorkers with disabilities

If You Are An Employer/Business:

- Learn strategies and innovations to hire and retain a valuable and diverse workforce
- Learn about and use wage and tax incentives
- Develop sustainable partnerships with employment programs to diversify and strengthen your workforce while at the same time managing diversity

If You Are A Policy Maker:

- Learn about the employment outlook and labor market participation of New Yorkers with disabilities
- Understand the obstacles and policy barriers to employment for New Yorkers with disabilities
- Explore policy proposals to remove barriers and increase labor market participation and economic development

New York Makes Work Pay is a Comprehensive Employment System Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (#1QACMS030318) from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to the Office of Mental Health on behalf of New York State. It is a joint effort of the Burton Blatt Institute at Syracuse University and the Employment and Disability Institute at Cornell University with the collaborative support of the Employment Committee of the New York State Most Integrated Setting Coordinating Council to develop pathways and remove obstacles to employment for New Yorkers with disabilities.



Burton Blatt Institute
SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY



Cornell University
ILR School
Employment and Disability Institute

To learn more go to <http://www.nymakesworkpay.org>