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The California Employment Consortium for Youth and Young Adults with Intellectual and Other Developmental Disabilities

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS
A New Day 2012: Working Toward A Positive Future
Pasadena Hilton: September 18 & 19, 2012 in Pasadena, CA. CECY CO-SPONSORED.
This year’s conference theme centers around collaboration and working together towards a positive future. New Day 2012 will provide a forum for sharing knowledge and expertise on the promising practices and innovations that make employment and housing a reality for persons with developmental disabilities. CECY will be sponsoring the luncheon and 2 workshops.

ARTICLES AND INFORMATION BRIEFS
VR Outcome Trends and the Recent Decline in Employment for VR Customers with Intellectual Disabilities
Recent years have seen a decline in the percentage of VR closures that exit with an employment outcome. While this percentage decreased for consumers with and without ID, the relative decrease for those with ID was greater than it was for those without ID. This Data Note explores trends in VR closure status for individuals with ID and the recent decline in employment for this group of VR customers.

Service Providers’ Experiences Under the Revised Ticket to Work Regulations
In 2008, Congress revised the regulations for Ticket to Work, a federal program created to improve incentives and supports for people who receive disability benefits to seek employment. A new Mathematica Policy Research issue brief discusses how Ticket to Work participation by service providers and beneficiaries has changed under the revised regulations. It also describes providers’ early experiences with these regulations.

EMPLOYMENT AND TRANSITION RESOURCES
Apprenticeship Workshop Training Modules
With the support of the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy, NCWD/Youth developed two sets of apprenticeship training modules and a strategic planning exercise that can be used after either module. The modules can be used by individuals to learn independently about apprenticeship, or a facilitator can use the modules to train groups. These materials will be useful for youth service professionals, workforce board administrators, state and local apprenticeship coordinators, representatives from community colleges and other training providers, and potential and current apprenticeship employers.

JobTIPS for Individuals with Disabilities
JobTIPS is a free program designed to help individuals with disabilities explore career interests, seek and obtain employment, and successfully maintain employment. JobTIPS addresses the social and behavioral differences that might make identifying, obtaining, and keeping a job more difficult for some individuals.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES
Call for Applicants: Leadership Training for Autistic College Students

The Autistic Self Advocacy Network with the help of the Mitsubishi Electric American Foundation is launching a new leadership training program for Autistic college students. The ACI Summer Institute is a week-long training for Autistic college students from August 12th to August 17th, 2012. The training is meant to prepare students to engage in self-advocacy and pro-neurodiversity activism on their college campuses. Applications due March 30, 2012.

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