Wednesday, August 8, 2018 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program (EFSLMP), Federal Briefing

**WIOA and School to Work Transition: When State Agencies Work Together,
Competitive Integrated Employment is Possible**

**AGENDA**

All sessions will be held at the Frances Perkins Building, Room C 5515 1 A/B

**8:45-9:00** Registration

**9:00-9:10** Welcome — Jennifer Sheehy, Deputy Assistant Secretary, ODEP

**9:10-9:20** Introductions — Rose Warner, Policy Advisor, ODEP

**9:20-9:35 Fiscal and Economic Context: Raising Expectations as a Wise Investment for Transitioning Youth**

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| * Allan Bergman, Subject Matter Expert, Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program
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**9:35-10:10 State Agencies’ Role in Increasing Competitive Integrated Employment for Transitioning Youth**

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| * David Mitchell, Administrator, Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services
* Kari Kingsolver, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor, Grants Pass, Oregon
* Keith Ozols, Workforce and Youth Manager, Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation
* Josh Barbour, Transition Network Facilitator, Linn Benton Lincoln Education Service District, Oregon
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*After attending this session, attendees should understand:*

1. *The importance of cooperation between the Workforce and Education Systems*
2. *Iowa’s efforts to motivate vocational rehabilitation (VR) counselors and the role VR counselors play in SWT*
3. *511 in action—how it’s playing out in Iowa and Oregon*
4. *Oregon’s Guided Group Discovery pilots*

**10:10-10:35** Q & A and Discussion — Rose Warner, Policy Advisor, ODEP

*10:35 – 10:45 Break*

**10:45-11:20** **Customized Employment: A Universal Strategy to Meet Employer Needs**

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| * Marie Parker, Program Director, Montgomery County Customized Employment Public Intern Project
* Brian Salewski, Office Assistant, Montgomery County Department of Finance
* Rebecca Salon, Program Specialist, District of Columbia, Department on Disability Services
* Dale Verstegen, Subject Matter Expert, Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program
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*After this presentation, attendees should better understand:*

1. *Customized Employment; why it works and how it can be funded*
2. *How Customized Employment helps individuals with disabilities obtain competitive integrated employment*
3. *Why Customized Employment is a useful tool for employers in hiring youth with significant disabilities*

**11:20-11:45** Q & A and Discussion — Rose Warner, Policy Advisor, ODEP

**11:45-12:00** **Demonstration of the Data and Resources to Inspire a Vision of Employment (DRIVE) Website**

* + - Richard Davis, Policy Advisor, ODEP

*12:00 Adjourn*