Hey what’s going on

Wednesday, August 8, 2018 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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

**Provider Transformation: Policy and Practice to Increase Competitive Integrated Employment**

**AGENDA**

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

**1:15-1:30** Registration

**1:30-1:40** Welcome and Introductions — Richard Davis, Policy Advisor, ODEP

**1:40-1:55 Setting the Stage: Fiscal and Economic Context – Investing in Providers Benefits Employers and Job Seekers**

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| * Allan Bergman, Subject Matter Expert, Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program |

**1:55-2:45 Stories of Transformation: From People and Providers**

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| * Jennifer Kowalkowski, Director of Employment Services, Cornerstone Services, Inc. * Jacob Willoughby, Warehouse Associate, Versant Supply Chain * Scott Witte, Director of Partnership and Service Development, Hope Haven, Inc. * Toni Tewes, My Choice Employment Services Manager, Hope Haven, Inc. * Hope Singletary, Nutrition Assistant, Sioux Center Community Hospital * Genni Sasnett, Subject Matter Expert, Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program |

*After attending this session, attendees should understand:*

1. *ODEP’s support to providers through EFSLMP, the Provider Transformation Manual and Webinar Series*
2. *The process Cornerstone Services and Hope Haven went through to determine their transformation path*
3. *The importance of sustainability, and what states can do to support provider transformation*

**2:45-3:10** Q & A and Discussion

*3:10 - 3:20 Break*

**3:20-3:50** **Sustaining Provider Transformation: State Policy Alignment, Interagency Coordination, and Employer  
 Engagement**

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| * David Mitchell, Administrator, Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services * Tania Morawiec, Employment First Manager, Illinois Department of Human Services * Genni Sasnett, Subject Matter Expert, Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program * Dale Verstegen, Subject Matter Expert Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program |

*After this presentation, attendees should better understand:*

1. *Why Illinois and Iowa chose to focus on Provider Transformation*
2. *The importance of state policy alignment and interagency coordination for sustainable systems change*
3. *Why capacity building is needed to increase the availability of well-trained Employment Specialists who use Customized Employment strategies to match the needs of employers with qualified job seekers*

**3:50-4:20** Q & A and Discussion

**4:20-4:30** **Demonstration of the Data and Resources to Inspire a Vision of Employment (DRIVE) Website**

* + - Richard Davis, Policy Advisor, ODEP

*4:30 Adjourn*