



National Trends in Disability Employment Lunch & Learn Series

Episode 1 nTIDE Update

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Welcome to the National Trends in Disability Employment (or nTIDE) Lunch & Learn series. On the first Friday of every month, corresponding with the Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs report, we will be offering a live broadcast via Zoom Webinar to share the results of the latest nTIDE findings. In addition, we will provide news and updates from the field of Disability Employment, as well as host an invited panelist who will discuss current disability related findings and events.

AGENDA

Time	Item
12:00 PM ET	Introduction & Welcome Andrew Houtenville, University of New Hampshire
12:10 PM	Overview of National Trends in Disability Employment (nTIDE) Jobs Report Release John O'Neill, Kessler Foundation The Numbers Andrew Houtenville, University of New Hampshire
12:15 PM	Announcements from the field of Disability Employment Denise Rozell, Director of Policy Innovation, AUCD
12:30 PM	Guest Presenter Steve Allen, PolicyWorks
12:45 PM	Question and Answer for Attendees

Note. All webinars will be recorded and closed captioned and will be added to our website archives along with full transcripts following the live broadcast.

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PRESENTERS



Steve Allen, MA, is PolicyWorks President and Executive Director. He has been with PolicyWorks as staff and Liaison to the board since its founding. As a senior member of the PolicyWorks projects team with the Kessler C2C projects in California and Florida, the CareerACCESS policy initiative, Lights! Camera! Access!; and as a project administrator on the WINTAC team serving as a state liaison and the Peer Mentoring Workforce Innovation Pilot Project (WIPP) Coordinator, Steven has been involved in all projects and operations since PolicyWorks was founded in 2012.

Steven is a member of the Lights Camera Access' organizing team and is instrumental in the design and production of these events including LCA's 'How to Leverage Your Disability and Sharpen Your Competitive Advantage' workshop.

Steven holds a Master's in Architecture from the Savannah College of Art and Design; is a veteran with a disability; and volunteers in his community serving as President of the Crooked River Lighthouse; and as an Actor/Director in a regional community theater group. His passion for disability and employment advocacy stems from experience of one of five children of parents with disability and his experiences as a service-connected disabled veteran. He champions peer and career mentoring among person-centered approaches to increase career path employment for individuals with disabilities.

Steve credits his own professional development in the disability advocacy community to the many great mentors who have modeled collaboration, innovation and passion.



Andrew Houtenville, PhD, is an Associate Professor of Economics and Research Director of the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire. Dr. Houtenville is extensively involved in disability statistics and employment policy research. He has published widely in the areas of disability statistics and the economic status of people with disabilities. He is the Principal Investigator on the NIDILRR-funded Employment Policy and Measurement Rehabilitation and Research Training Center. Dr. Houtenville received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of New Hampshire in 1997 and was a National Institute on Aging Post-Doctoral Fellow at Syracuse University in 1998/1999.



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John O'Neill, PhD is the director of employment and disability research at Kessler Foundation and has over 28 years of experience in vocational rehabilitation as a rehabilitation counselor educator, disability employment researcher, and advisor to state vocational rehabilitation agencies. Dr. O'Neill has been a PI or co-PI on six NIDILRR funded, five year research and training centers focusing on TBI and community integration, disability statistics, disability employment service system, and how individual and contextual factors relate to employment outcomes among people with disabilities.



Denise M. Rozell, JD is the Director of Policy Innovation at the AUCD. Prior to joining AUCD, she spent fifteen years as Assistant Vice President for State Government Relations with Easter Seals. Denise was the primary resource to Easter Seals 75 affiliates in building capacity to increase awareness of and support for Easter Seals in state government. Prior to that, Denise was the Executive Director of the Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired, an international membership organization for the professionals serving individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Denise holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Occidental College in Los Angeles and a juris doctorate from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California in Berkeley. *Brought to you by the University of New Hampshire*

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