



National Trends in Disability Employment Lunch & Learn Series

Episode 5 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 Jade Gingerich, Director of Employment Policy for the MD Department of Disabilities
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



Jade Gingerich has over two decades of state policy making, starting as Executive Director of the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities and most recently as Director of Employment Policy for the Maryland Department of Disabilities, the nation's only Cabinet level cross disability Department. An expert in state level interagency and external coordination and collaboration she has presented widely on the topic of employment and transition, testified before the state legislature, and serves as a subject matter expert nationally regarding employment and transition. Accomplishments include co leading MD's earliest Employment First efforts, creation of the Employed Individuals with Disabilities program (MD's Medicaid Buy In), leading the MD Medicaid Infrastructure grant and co-founding the MD's Youth Leadership Forum, co-

chairing the Workgroup overseeing the elimination of subminimum wage in MD, and serving as a founding member of the State Agency Transition Collaborative. In addition to her policy work, Ms. Gingerich served as Project Director for MD PROMISE grant, a 5 year research grant awarded to MD in October 2013 by the US Department of Education. PROMISE, a cross agency partnership, worked to increase education and employment outcomes for youth between the ages of 14 and 16 on SSI and their families. She currently serves as MDOD's representative to the Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council, Maryland 2 GEN Commission and the Center for Advancing Policy on Employment of Youth Working group. Current efforts include efforts to expand and replicate statewide the Howard County Autism Society's Autism Hiring Initiative which targeting individuals with postsecondary education and/or work experience who aren't otherwise eligible for employment services to prepare for, access and maintain employment. She is also providing technical assistance and training to businesses in support of their Diversity Equity and Inclusion efforts. She has a Master of Science in Special Education with a specialization in Transition Services from The Johns Hopkins University.



Andrew Houtenville, PhD, is a 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 199d 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.

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