

Episode 12 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 12:00 PM ET | Item Introduction & Welcome Andrew Houtenville, University of New Hampshire |
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| 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 |
| | Rachel Pollock, Job Path, Inc. |
| 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



Rachel Pollock, JD, is Senior Program Advisor / General Counsel for Job Path, Inc., in NYC. Rachel Pollock, J.D., is a Technical Assistant Consultant, and formerly Chief Operating Officer, at Job Path Inc, a not-for-profit provider agency in New York City (NYC) that provides competitive integrated employment and a range of individualized day and residential supports services for people with developmental disabilities. She launched and oversaw the development of a customized employment program that now services over 200 people with significant developmental disabilities. She has extensive experience, in the implementation of

employment and day services, with a particular focus on innovative program development and the effective use of funding streams to develop quality programming. Through federal and state initiatives, Ms. Pollock has provided technical assistance to states and individual providers, in the areas of customized and supported employment strategies, job development, community- based day supports, and stakeholder engagement, strategic planning, braiding and blending funding, staff restructuring, workforce development, and recruitment, and State as Model Employer. Ms. Pollock also is the parent of a young man with autism who is working in a job in New York City.



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 1999 & 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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