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"ASK THE OC EXPERTS" ZOOM CONVERSATIONS

These conversations will take place most Thursdays of each month from September 2020 through June 2021 between 11:30 AM-12:30 PM. The Zoom information for each conversation will be distributed to those who have registered with RCOC. During the first part of the hour the experts will share topic information and the remaining time will be used for Zoom participants to ask questions and discuss the topic. Questions may be submitted before the Zoom meeting or asked during the meeting.

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Please register for one or more session(s) at any time between 8/24/20-6/9/21. You will be sent the Zoom & call-in information prior to the meeting. Additionally, you will be sent instructions on submitting questions for the expert(s). We look forward to your participation.

#	TOPICS	EXPERTS	TITLES	ORGANIZATIONS	DATE
1	**Person Centered Planning**	Cristina Mercado	○ Person Centered Thinking Coordinator	Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC)	**9/3/20**
2	**Developing Individual Transition Plans**	Karena Gibbs	○ WorkAbility I & TPP Director ○ Administrator	Irvine USD	**9/10/20**
3	**Employment Programs offered through the RCOC**	Arturo Cazares Carlos Fonseca	○ Associate Director Employment ○ Employment & Day Services Coordinator	RCOC	**9/17/20**
4	**Work-Based Learning Experiences (Part 1)** ✓ **WorkAbility I** ✓ **Transition Partnership Project (TPP)** ✓ **Community-Based & Virtual Job Shadows**	Ray Bueche Renee Melton Amy Tingirides	○ Esperanza/SVUSD Coordinator/Administrator ○ Career Link Supervisor ○ Transition Services Coordinator	SVUSD Esperanza Learning Center Irvine USD Laguna Beach USD	**9/24/20**
5	**Parents Helping Parents Prepare for Employment (IDD Focus)**	Sandy Martin Arturo Cazares	○ RCOC Board of Director & Family ○ Associate Director Employment	Parent RCOC	**10/1/20**
6	**Virtual Learning/Assistive Technology**	David Ferrell	○ Educational Technology Specialist	Irvine USD	**10/8/20**
7	**Transition into Adult Services**	Arturo Cazares Carlos Fonseca	○ Associate Director Employment ○ Employment & Day Services Coordinators	RCOC	**10/15/20**
8	**New Employment Training Programs (STEPS & AB1111 Grant Programs) in the OC**	Chris Stoner Nakia Thierry	○ Project Coordinator ○ Administrative Manager	Goodwill Industries of OC & AJCCC (American Job Center of CA) OC Community Services	**10/22/20**

9	**Work Incentives Planning & Assistance for Individuals Receiving SSI**	Nick Harriger Austin Nobles	○ Community Work Incentive Coordinator ○ Work Incentive Planner	Project Independence Department of Rehabilitation	**10/29/20**
10	**North Orange Continuing Education (NOCE) Disability Support Services (DSS)**	Adam Gottdank April Fante	○ Director, Disability Support Services ○ DSS Program Manager	North Orange Continuing Education	**11/5/20**
11	**Getting Familiar with Adults with Disabilities Programs at Santiago Canyon College**	Chrissy Gascon Angela Guevarra	○ Interim Dean Adult Education Programs ○ Associate Professor/ Faculty Coordinator	Santiago Canyon College	**11/12/20**
12	**Getting Familiar with Adults with Disabilities Programs at Coastline College**	Rachelle Lopez Katie Stubblefield	○ Special Programs Counselor ○ ID Professor/COAST Coordinator	Coastline College	**11/19/20**
13	**Getting Familiar with Adults with Disabilities Programs (OASIS) at Saddleback College**	Chantelle Gil Stacy Eldred	○ Student Support Specialist ○ Professor Adults with Disabilities Program	Saddleback College Oasis Program	**12/3/20**
14	**Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) Student Services**	Trinh van Erp Arturo Hernandez Ann-Kim Hguyen Tiffany Huynh Andrew Magana	○ Team Manager ○ Senior Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor ○ Rehabilitation Counselors ○ Service Coordinator	DOR Anaheim & Santa Ana Offices	**12/10/20**
15	**Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) Adult Services**	Debi Kirk Barb Madson Stephanie List	○ Staff Service Manager ○ Rehabilitation Counselor ○ Rehabilitation Counselor	DOR Laguna Hills Office	**12/17/20**
16	**Getting Ready for Project SEARCH**	Rick Adams Kathi Millett	○ VP Human Services ○ Program Director	Goodwill of Orange Co.	**1/14/21**
17	**Disability Rights California Resources & Supports**	Rebecca Hoyt	○ Senior Advocate	Disability Rights California	**1/21/21**
18	**ABLE Act (Achieving a Better Life Experience) Savings Program**	Jyusse Corey Linda O'Neal	○ Peer Advocate ○ Transition Specialist	RCOC, Thompson Policy Institute & SDSU Interwork Institute	**1/28/21**
19	**Parents Helping Parents Prepare for Employment (Autism Focus)**	Cheryl Cohen Linda ONeal	○ Parent ○ Transition Specialist	Parent CU Thompson Policy Institute (TPI) & SDSU Interwork Institute	**2/4/21**
20	**Orange County Local Partnership Agreement Universal Referral Process**	Karena Gibbs Julie Ornelas-Smith Linda ONeal	○ Administrator ○ Transition Specialist ○ Transition Specialist	Irvine USD Anaheim UHSD CU TPI, SDSU & RCOC	**2/11/21**
21	**Work-Based Learning Experiences (Part 2)** **✓WorkAbility I**	Ray Bueche Renee Melton Amy Tingirides	○ Esperanza/SVUSD Coordinator/Administrator ○ Career Link Supervisor	SVUSD Esperanza Learning Center Irvine USD Laguna Beach USD	**2/18/21**

	✓ **Transition Partnership Project (TPP)** ✓ **Community-Based & Virtual Job Shadows**		○ Transition Services Coordinator		
22	**Using the Orange County Transition Planning Resource Directory**	Janice Almaraz	○ Vocational Education Consultant	Orange County Department of Education	**2/25/21**
23	**Spirit League Sports & Additional Recreation Programs**	Melissa Cory	○ Director & Parent	Parent	**3/4/21**
24	**State Council on Developmental Disabilities Services & Resources**	Christine Tolbert	○ Advocate	State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) Orange County	**3/11/21**
25	**RCOC Comfort Connection/Family Resources Center**	Kathleen McFarlin	○ Manager Family Support & Community Outreach, Comfort Connection	RCOC	**3/18/21**
26	**NOCE Services Supporting Inclusion (College 2 Career Program, IVES & Equity)**	April Fante Marta Gamez Adam Gottdank	○ DSS Program Manager ○ DSS Student Services Specialist ○ DSS Program Coordinator	North Orange Continuing Education	**3/25/21**
27	**Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE)**	Arturo Cazares Linda O'Neal	○ Associate Director Employment ○ Transition Specialist	RCOC CU TPI, SDSU Interwork Institute & RCOC	**4/15/21**
28	**Employment Preparation for Individuals with Autism**	Tiffany Jameson Jessica Lee	○ Managing Partner ○ Executive Director	Grit & Flow & Parent The Spectrum Works	**4/22/21**
29	**Career Pathway Focus on Employment Preparation & Competitive Integrated Employment**	Richard Rosenberg Linda O'Neal	○ Transition Specialist ○ Transition Specialist	CU TPI, SDSU Interwork Institute & CSULA CU TPI, SDSU Interwork Institute & RCOC	**4/29/21**
30	**How and When to Use Emergency Services … Responding to Law Enforcement & First Responders**	Stuart Haskins Sandra Perez	○ Executive Director ○ Program Director	Get Safe	**5/6/21**
31	**WorkAbility I (K-12 Programs) &**	Sherry Travis	○ WorkAbility I Director	Garden Grove USD	**5/13/21**
32	**Mobility Training Program Job Access & Reverse Commute (JARC)/ Orange County Transit Authority (OCTA)**	Monika Gulmesoff Marta Gamez, April Fante Adam Gottdank	○ JARC/OCTA Program Coordinator ○ DSS Student Services Specialist ○ DSS Program Manager ○ Director DSS	North Orange Continuing Education	**5/20/21**
33	**Preparing to Live Independently with Support**	Margot Johnson Leah Saitz	○ Co-Director & Family ○ Supported & Independent Living Services Coordinator	Diagnostic Center, South & Family RCOC	**5/27/21**

34	**Affordable Housing**	Leah Saitz Jack Stanton	○ Supported & Independent Living Services Coordinator ○ Associate Director Supported & Independent Living Services	RCOC	**6/3/21**
35	**NOCE Workforce (Workability III, College-to-Career, Ca Adult Ed Program, Ralphs Grocery Store Collaborative & Project SEARCH**	Lorri Guy Adam Gottdank	○ DSS Program Coordinator ○ Director, Disability Support Services	North Orange Continuing Education	**6/10/20**

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If you have any questions regarding the Zoom Conversations, please call…
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