



Competitive Integrated Employment Blueprint Orange County Local Partnership Agreement (OCLPA)

Zoom Call

May 19, 2022

8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

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OCLPA ZOOM MEETING AGENDA

1. Chapman University Thompson Policy Institute (TPI)

• TPI OCLPA Google Shared Drive:

OCLPA materials & flyers for this Zoom Call are available on the TPI Transition Initiative Google Drive...



Thompson Policy Institute
on Disability

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/17p9LV1Fe2wUOuq0Oi4CPogB6BRtBJ0om?u>

• The CU TPI Transition Initiative Website Transitionca.org

The new & improved website is now available. There are currently 2 CU Undergrad working on this website to keep it updated with the most current disability related information. Materials and information are available for the following stakeholder groups: Families, IWD, Educators, Service Providers & Business Partners.

PROGRAM & TOPIC PRESENTATIONS

2. Amazon Hiring Opportunities (Andrew Lewis, Amazon Staffing Coordinator)

“Our goal is to enable individuals with disabilities to participate fully and equally in the hiring process, as other individuals without disabilities, by providing reasonable accommodations.”

(Please see the Amazon information on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)



3. Neurodiverse Hiring Program at Chevron Stations (Julie Beltran, COCO Training Specialist & Monique Patton, Chevron)



Introduction by Micheline Swan from Vocational Visions

“Our goal is to attract a talented workforce while fulfilling our commitment to diversity and inclusion. This new program has helped address our hiring challenges by creating a Station Support Representative role (“SSR”).

We hire candidates with a variety of neurodiverse situations or disabilities such as Autism, Asperger’s, or other spectrum related conditions. Our structured pre-screen process using our job developers, interview and training processes helps get SSRs into our stores within 2-3 business days from their interview date. Our SSRs are at-will employees, and we have several who are celebrating their 3-year service anniversary in 2022.”

(Please see the information sheet on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

- 4. Adding a new OCLPA Work Team...Family! (Melissa Cory & Linda O'Neal)
 - Membership
 - Focus
 - Time Commitment
- 5. OCLPA PSE Services & Supports Survey (Adam Gottdank, NOCE)
This survey will be sent out one last time in English, Spanish & Vietnamese)

DISCUSSION TOPICS FOR TODAY

- 6. OC Ask the Experts Schedule 2021-22.
(Carlos Fonseca, RCOC & Linda O'Neal, TPI & RCOC)
11:30-12:30 pm
Two times/month
 - ✓ 5-19-22 State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Christine Tolbert, SCDD)
 - ✓ 6-2-22 Employment Preparation for Individuals with Autism (Jessica Lee, Neurotalent Works & Tiffany Jameson, Grit & Flow)
 - ✓ 6-16-22 Preparing to Live Independently with Support (Leah Saitz, RCOC & Margot Johnson, Diagnostic Center South & a Family Member)
 (See the 21-22 Schedule on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)



OCLPA WORK TEAM UPDATES

- 7. OCLPA Post-Secondary Education Inclusion Sub-Committee
(Adam Gottdank, NOCE)

- Identify Best Practices in PSE Inclusive education
The next meeting is scheduled for 6-19-22 10:30-11:30 AM.



- 8. OCLPA Agriculture Work Team (Ray Bueche, SVUSD)

- The next meeting is scheduled for 5-26-22 8:00 AM
- The UCANR wrote an article about the SVUSD Partnership...included was a mention of Goodwill OC and My Day Counts participation
<https://ucanr.edu/News/?routeName=newsstory&postnum=51484>



- 9. OCLPA CIE Outcome Data Work Team (Currently setting this team up.)

Arturo Cazares	Regional Center of Orange County
Adam Gottdank	North Orange Continuing Education
Lorri Guy	North Orange Continuing Education
Trinh van Erp	Department of Rehabilitation
Debi Kirk	Department of Rehabilitation
Christine Tolbert	State Council on Developmental Disabilities
Ray Bueche	Saddleback Valley Unified School District
Renee Melton	Irvine Unified School District
Linda O'Neal	CU Thompson Policy Institute
Marina Margaryan	Westview Services

Zoom Meetings will be held 1x per month!

If you would like to join one of these work teams, please contact Adam, Ray, or Linda.

10. OCLPA Benefits Planning & Management Work Team

We need a new chairperson for this Team...?

PLANNING & ONGOING/CONTINUED TALKS

11. OCLPA Business Partner & WBL Lists 2022

We will continue to add business partners to these lists. Please help us out.

- This chart will help us to share business partner ideas for programs all over Orange County.
- Grant efforts to fund an OC Job Development Intermediary Update (Judi Uttal, OCASG & Jessica Lee, NeuroTalent Works)
- Orange County sharing on business partnerships. (Please share one business partner with the OCLPA.)
(Please see the Economic Summaries & Labor Market Information for all OC Cities including Top Employers & Top Occupations.)

12. OCLPA Universal Referral Process Implementation Update Year #4 Roll-Out (Linda O’Neal)

School Districts	Adult Service Agencies	Colleges
Saddleback Valley USD/Esperanza	Goodwill of Orange County Project SEARCH	North Orange Continuing Education
Anaheim UHSD	My Day Counts	Santiago Canyon College
Irvine USD	Department of Rehabilitation o SCC o AJCC	
Garden Grove USD		
Santa Ana USD		
Fullerton JUHSD ATP		

A variety of OCLPA URP Presentations are planned for 2022.

13. Orange County Collaborative Updates:

- Post-Secondary Education Consortium (Adam Gottdank/Lorri Guy, NOCCC Continuing Education)
- OC Adult Transition Task Force (Karena Gibbs, IUSD & Ray Bueche, SVUSD)
- Coastal OC Business Advisory Committee (Renee Melton, IUSD & Ray Bueche, SVUSD)

14. Project Search Update (Arturo Cazares, RCOC & Rick Adams, Goodwill of OC)



EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES



15. Post-Secondary Education Opportunities

(Check on these resources, programs & classes for Summer & Fall 2022)

- ❖ **Santiago Canyon College Career & Workforce Preparation (Angela Guevara, SCC)**



www.sccollege.edu/OEC

These Tuition Free Classes are designed to provide students with instruction and experience that will improve possibilities of being considered for future employment and internship opportunities (such as the Paid Internship Program and Project SEARCH Programs for persons receiving services through the Regional Center of Orange County)

For registration and class information, please call...

(714-628-5900) sccollege.edu/awd or contact...

Angela Guevara guevara_angela@sccollege.edu

(See the Summer 2022 flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

- ❖ **North Orange Counting Continuing Education (Lorri Guy, NOCE)**

<https://noce.edu/schedule>



College 2 Career	Mobility Training Brochure
ARISE Information	ARISE Mindfulness Mondays
ARISE Events	Workability III
DSS Comprehensive Programs	DSS Brochure
Independent Voc. & Ed Support Programs (IVES)	Work Independence Self-Advocacy Education (WISE)

Plan to register at least ten days before your course start date.

Spring Schedule - NOCE's 2022 Spring Semester schedule is now available. [Browse the NOCE Class Schedule](#) to select courses that are right for you!

For more information, please contact...Lori Guy) lguy@noce.edu

- ❖ **Coastline College Vocational Programs (Rachelle Lopez, Special Programs Counselor, CCC)**

- Animal Care
 - Guest Services
 - Culinary Arts
 - Porter Program
 - Music Basics Program (New Program Starting Spring 2022.)
- rlopez@coastline.edu



- ❖ **Saddleback College (Stacy Eldred, SC)**
- <https://www.saddleback.edu/ae/aewd>



- ❖ **North Orange County Regional Occupational Programs/Trident Education Center (Linda Skipper, NOCROP)**
- <http://nocrcae.org/new-facilities-expand-opportunities/>



❖ **Cypress College Career Education List**

Check out the excellent certificate, degree & transfer options.
(Please see this list on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)



RESOURCES & SERVICES

16. SANTA ANA HOUSING AUTHORITY IS OPENING ITS WAITING LIST BETWEEN MAY 2 TO MAY 31

The Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) is the federal government's largest program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and persons with a disability to afford healthy and safe housing in the private market. Housing assistance is provided on behalf of the family or individual, and participants are able to find their own housing.



SAHA has a local preference for veterans and applicants who live or work in the city of Santa Ana.
Applications accepted online only.

View flyer [here](#).

(Please see the flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

17. OCLPA Transition Resources List for 5-13-22

(Linda O'Neal, SDSU, CU TPI & RCOC)

(Please see the list on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

The next resource list will be sent on 6-10-22. Please send your resources to share with others to linda_oneal@cox.net

18. Orange County Asperger's Group May Activities (Judi Uttal, OCASG)

<https://ocaspergers.org>

The OCASG has lots of great activities happening in 2022!

- Career Club
- Virtual Game Night
- Teen Support Group
- Parent Support Group
- Toastmasters
- Easy Eats
- Executive Skills for Academic Success Workshops



<https://ocaspergers.org/>

(Please see the OCASG May 2022 list on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

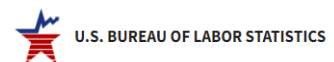
19. Paying for Child Care...Children's Home Society of California (Arturo Hernandez, DOR)

CHS Offer subsidized childcare programs to help pay most or all of your childcare expenses.
(Please see the flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

20. Education Pays Chart, 2021

As the U.S. labor market continues to recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, one constant remains: Education boosts earnings and reduces unemployment.

(Please see the chart on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)



Career Outlook

WEBINARS, CHATS, PODCASTS, ZOOM MEETINGS & EVENTS

21. SAVE THE DATE! EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL MAY 17 AND MAY 19



California has set forth its intent to hire people with disabilities in state service and remove barriers for qualified applicants through AB 313. This event will be an opportunity to hear directly from state Departments seeking talented employees with disabilities and people with disabilities about the systemic efforts and challenges in making California a national leader in the employment of people with disabilities. This two-part engaging and interactive event will include discussion on successful hiring and recruitment models, developing a workplace culture of inclusion, and best practices in ensuring that all employees have the training, supports and accommodations needed for success.

For more information about DRC's Building Back Better for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Access Coalition, visit: <https://www.disabilityrightscalifornia.org/latest-news/building-back-better-for-diversity-equity-inclusion-and-access-coalition-memorandum>

22. Transition Summit: Community Based Transition Pilot Program

- Professional Day Friday June 3, 2022
- Family Day Saturday June 4, 2022
9AM-2PM



Hosted by the USC University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) at Children's Hospital Los Angeles, the Community-Based Transition Pilot

Program is excited to announce that registration is now open for its *Transition Summit* on Friday June 3, 2022, for Professional Day and Saturday June 4, 2022, for Family Day.

This live-stream summit will include presentations on Transition Begins Early, Independent Living, Employment, Alternatives to Conservatorship, and Educational Transition Resources. There is no registration cost to attend, **sign up today!**

Please use the links below to register.

Professional Day:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84451200000>

Family Day:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84451200000>

23. Free Career Workshops at the OC Workforce Solutions Center (Orange Regional Planning Unit)



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Overseeing job seekers, youth and business programs and services.



- **OC Workforce Solutions** continues to offer a variety of professional workshops. For additional information about both virtual and in-person workshops at the Garden Grove center. Register in **CALJOBS**: www.caljobs.ca.gov to sign up or call (714) 241-4900
For more information, go to www.oconestop.com

24. Let's Work Series of Employment Workshops for Individuals with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities



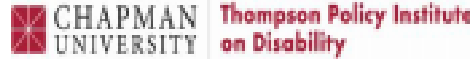
5-19-22 4-5:15 PM

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/4hf6hv2p>

25. Chapman University, Thompson Policy Institute Administration of Justice/Promise Work Team

This team meets on Zoom the last Monday of the month from 11-12:00 PM. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Linda O'Neal.

Next Meeting 5-23-22 11:00 AM



26. United States Department of Labor: Building Mental Health-Friendly Workplaces

The U.S. Department of Labor cordially invites you to a virtual event in honor of Mental Health Awareness Month.

Date: Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Time: 2:00 p.m. ET

Location: Streaming online

Register: [Click here to register to receive the accessible event link.](#)



Tune in to learn about the U.S. Department of Labor's commitment to promoting mental health-friendly workplaces and ensuring America's workers can access the equitable and inclusive mental health services they need. Featuring insightful dialogues and knowledge sharing, the event will explore mental health parity, the role of the workplace in addressing the nation's mental health crisis and strategies for fostering work environments that support workers with mental health conditions.

27. Free Employment Specialist Certification Opportunity

SCDD understands that providing learning opportunities to job developers who find/create job matches for people who have disabilities is an important part of phasing out subminimum wage. Please **ACT FAST** to access this **FREE** learning opportunity.

ACRE certification is a highly respected training program that teaches job developers how to find competitive, integrated employment opportunities and help people who have disabilities keep their positions.

VCU-RRTC – ACRE Approved Supported Employment Online Course

Dates: June 20 - September 12, 2022

Registration is Limited!

NOTE: Individuals must register themselves for the course. There is no cost to participate!

Please read the following information:

The next sections of the VCU-RRTC Supported Employment Online Course are now open for registration. The Center is conducting a research study to demonstrate increased knowledge by individuals who complete the ACRE approved online course. Here are the steps.

1. A total of 250 people will be accepted to take the course at no cost. The course is for employment specialists, job coaches, job developers, and other professionals who provide employment supports to individuals with disabilities.
2. A person registers to participate.
3. When registering, the person will complete a pre-test taking 20-30 minutes.
4. Once VCU-RRTC has 250 participants registered, these individuals will be randomly assigned to two groups.
5. We cannot assign registrants to a specific date since this is a research study. This is like drawing names from a hat. There is no guarantee that a participant will be assigned to a specific start date.
6. One group will begin the course on March 14. The second group of participants will begin on June 20.
7. After the first group completes the course, all participants will take a posttest.
8. Then, the next group begins the course on June 20.
9. Everyone who completes the course requirements will earn the ACRE Basic Certificate in Employment Services.



10. An analysis of the participants' pretest and posttests will be conducted to determine if the course results in knowledge gain for the participants.
11. Participation in the course is voluntary and confidential. VCU-RRTC will not release any information regarding a person's participation in the course to any individuals outside of this research study.

If you are interested, you can consent and register to participate at the following link,

<https://idd.vcurrvc.org/studies/acre/consent.cfm>

28. 1st Annual Reentry Resource Fair 2022

6-14-22 11AM-2PM

Honda Center In Anaheim

2695 East Katella Ave, Anaheim Ca



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

29. Chapman University Thompson Policy Institute

2022 Summit on Disability and Inclusion

IN-PERSON EVENT

Friday, August 12, 2022, | 9:00 a.m. | Continental Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.

The Summit will once again be presented in-person at the Marybelle & Sebastian P. Musco Center for the Arts at Chapman University. A continental breakfast with space to socialize and network will be provided before the Summit from 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Register...

<https://tickets.chapman.edu/Online/seatSelect.asp>

(See Flyers on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)



30. Save the Date

CHOC... Thompson Autism Center Conference

8-13-22 9:00-3:00 PM (Saturday)

[More information to follow...](#)



31. Next OCLPA Meeting 6-16-22

(Please send discussion topics and resources to share to... linda_oneal@cox.net)