



## EMPLOYMENT NAVIGATION PIT STOPS

It can be confusing out on the open road, so we've developed this centralized list of links for information, trainings and support on a variety of Employment Navigation subjects and topics.

**Employment Navigation Technical Assistance Liaisons Livebinders Binder** is a collection of over 70 documents, videos, links, PowerPoint presentations, and other formats directly related to Employment Navigation. Each link is color-coded to match up with the Loop Ohio "conversation topics." Topics include: OOD, Ohio Means Jobs, business engagement, WIOA, HCBS Waiver changes, employment planning, and other information necessary to supporting job seekers with disabilities. Go to: <http://www.livebinders.com/play/play?id=2032686>.

**Loop Ohio Events** has a calendar of webinar and live-event trainings that's up-to-the-minute. Trainings and information address an array of issues, concerns and updates, including HCBS Waiver Services, provider transformation, WIOA, OOD, transportation, transition, and employer engagement. You are able to register through this link as well for each training. Go to: <https://loopohio.org/events>.

**The Ohio Alliance of Direct Support Professionals'** website offers trainings events around provider certification and best practices for agencies and independent providers. Go to: [http://www.oadsp.org/?page\\_id=49&ai1ec](http://www.oadsp.org/?page_id=49&ai1ec).

**Ohio Association of County Boards Events** lists and highlights all OACB-related trainings, conference and events, including regional and statewide conferences. Go to: <http://www.oacbddd.org/events>. Included on the OACB website as well is a link to The Training Center, which offers a plethora of courses for both County Board and provider certification. Go to: <https://asoft7173.accrisoft.com/oacbddd/training-center/training-center-home/>.

**Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities Trainings** is a go-to for the latest information regarding HCBS Waiver Services changes, both for County Boards staff and providers, with a specialized focus on rules changes and implementation, as well as access to "Brown Bag" Thursdays which survey an ongoing variety of topics, and professional development. Go to: <http://dodd.ohio.gov/Training/Pages/default.aspx>. Also there's a "Timeline for Modified Waiver Services" that includes a categorized list of "Closer Looks" at all the new HCBS Waiver services

definitions, and when/how/why to access them. Go to:  
<http://dodd.ohio.gov/Training/Pages/Timeline.aspx>.

**Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council's** website has a Links & Events page that offers a calendar offering trainings and events across Ohio, as well as a resource library that offers links and documents around a variety of topics related to people with developmental disabilities, including employment, rights and self-determination. Go to: <http://ddc.ohio.gov/Links-Events>.

**Ohio Disabilities Benefits 101** is a website for people who want to work and see how it affects their Social Security and other benefits, but it also can be accessed as a tutorial and training site for Employment Navigators interested in learning more about work incentives. There's a glossary with links that further explain exactly what "SSI," "SSDI," and work incentives mean. As well, there are calculators for each kind of benefit that allow you to work the math through on specific cases. There's also a "Get Expert Help" sidebar that has links to reps from each organization. Go to: <https://oh.db101.org/>.

**Ohio Employment First Event Calendar** targets webinars and live events focused on employment supports issues, including best practices in job development, interview skills training, Customized Employment, employer engagement, and other employment-related topics that are important both to Employment Navigation and service deliver. Go to: <http://www.ohioemploymentfirst.org/calendar.php>. Also on the Ohio Employment First website is a link to the webinar course providers need in order to participate in the Employment First Partnership. The course should take between 12-20 hours to complete over a three-week period, and is a really wonderful way to get acquainted with all aspects of employment services and philosophies. Go to: [http://www.ohioemploymentfirst.org/view.php?nav\\_id=93](http://www.ohioemploymentfirst.org/view.php?nav_id=93).

**Ohio Means Accessibility** is a website that offers information and training opportunities for job-seekers, employers and service providers – and is a great gateway into learning about every system and support around assisting a job-seekers with disabilities entering the workforce. Information and topics span labor market indicators to work and tax incentives. Go to: <http://ohiomeansaccessibility.com/>.

**Professionals, Advocates, Resources (PAR)**'s site has link to local and national resources, as well as a calendar of training and conference events across Ohio. Go to: <http://ddc.ohio.gov/Links-Events>.