



Strategies for Working with Parents

Staff Training for Employment Services Professionals

From July 2007, thousands of Principal Carer Parents will become activity tested and be referred to PAGES services across the country. Parents have unique barriers to employment, and as Employment Consultants, we will need to effectively address these issues to be successful in servicing this client group. This workshop will explore the issues faced by parents, and provides strategies and tools to help participants effectively assist parents in their return to work journey.



Topics Covered:

- ✓ Overview of changes & transition process
- ✓ Participation requirements and Suitable Job Requirements
- ✓ Parents—Who are they and what are their barriers?
- ✓ Financial barriers—Addressing concerns about loss of benefits
- ✓ Child Care Issues and options— Action plan essentials
- ✓ Family Versus Work—Sick kids and workplace absenteeism
- ✓ Dealing with resistant Job Seekers—overcoming resistance
- ✓ Employment options for parents
- ✓ Selling parents to employers
- ✓ Resources for working with parents

Results:

- ✓ Understanding of legislative, contractual and procedural implications in working with parents who have compulsory activity requirements
- ✓ Understanding of the barriers and concerns return-to-work parents face
- ✓ Ability to address fears and concerns faced by parents
- ✓ Ability to create Activity Agreement and Action Plans that will address barriers and achieve results
- ✓ Strategies to maximize outcomes and employer engagement in hiring return-to-work parents
- ✓ Identification of internal and external resources that will aid in preparing and placing parents into sustainable employment

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