

## An Overview of Disability and Poverty

Friday, Nov 16, 2018 • 11am - 12pm CST

Vocational rehabilitation professionals will learn how to integrate critical knowledge about poverty and disability into practice to improve employment, and quality of employment, outcomes for consumers.

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### Topics include:

- Poverty and Disability: an Overview
- Behavioral Economics and Neuroscience: What Research Tells Us
- Social Determinants of Health: Why It's Important
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA): How it Aligns with Poverty
- Taking Action: Integrating Knowledge into Your Practice

### Presenters:

**Cayte Anderson, Ph.D., CRC**  
Project E3TC Co-PI

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**Tobey Partch-Davies, Ph.D**  
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Institute on Disability



## Career Development & Employment Research in Rehabilitation: Issues & Recommendations

Tuesday, Jan 29, 2018

11am - 12pm CST

How does economic distress and trauma effect people with disabilities' career development? In this webcast, you'll gain an understanding of the issues impacting career development and employment of individuals with disabilities. You'll learn about the three interrelated domains that impact the career process using the Illinois Work and Well-Being Model.

### Topics include:

- Impact of Economic Distress
- Trauma's impact
- Family's role and impact
- Recommendations for future research

### Presenter:

**David Strauser, Ph.D., CRC,**  
Professor

University of Illinois at Urbana -  
Champaign

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## Career Development & Employment Research in Rehabilitation: Role of Psychological Well-Being

Tuesday, Feb 12, 2019

11am - 12pm CST

Learn about career development of young adults with disabilities and the role that psychological well-being plays in the career development process.

### Topics include:

- The Illinois Work and Well-Being Model
- Implications of psychological well-being
- Recommendations for future research

### Presenter:

**David Strauser, Ph.D., CRC, Professor**  
University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign

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## Strategies for Effective Rural VR Service Delivery

Friday, February 28, 2019  
11am - 12pm CST

Learn strategies to effectively serve rural consumers of VR services who experience poverty.

### Topics include:

- Understanding barriers to effective rural service delivery: slow delivery pace, limited economic choice, and using telecommunications to promote engagement with VR services
- Expanding VR capacity to support self-employment
- Exploring strategies to expand provider reach in rural areas

### Presenters:

**Catherine Ipsen, Ph.D., Director of Employment Research**

University of Montana Rural Institute RTC

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## Work Incentive Benefits Counseling

Thursday, March 28, 2019  
11am - 12pm CST

While there are Social Security funded WIPA projects in every state, some states have work incentive planning funded through other means, such as Vocational Rehabilitation, Medicaid, or general state funds. In this webcast you'll learn what work incentive planning is and the different ways to access this service.

### Topics include:

- The purpose of work incentive planning
- The eligibility criteria for Work Incentive Planning and Assistance (WIPA) projects
- Locating a WIPA project
- Describing the service that will be delivered by a WIPA project

### Presenter:

**Molly Sullivan, Technical Assistance Liaison**

Griffin & Hammis

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## The Problem of Unemployment among Social Security Disability Beneficiaries

Thursday, April 25, 2019  
11am - 12pm CST

Understand the impact of poverty on employment of disability beneficiaries, and the programs Social Security has implemented to address this issue.

### Topics include:

- Financial stability and how employment supports this goal
- Key provisions of the Ticket to Work Program
- Key components of the Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) program

### Presenter:

**Lucy Miller, Technical Assistance Liaison**

Work Incentives Planning & Assistance  
National Training and Data Center (WIPA - NTDC)

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## Introduction to Social Security Disability Benefit Programs **Thursday, May 23, 2019** 11am - 12pm CST

The eligibility criteria for Title II disability and SSI benefits are complex. In this webcast, you'll gain an introductory understanding of SSAs disability benefit programs.

### Topics include:

- Social Security's definition of disability
- The disability determination process
- The basic program concepts that distinguish Title II disability benefits from SSI
- The interaction between the disability programs for concurrent beneficiaries

### Presenters:

**Lucy Miller, Technical Assistance Liaison**

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National Training and Data Center  
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## Title II Disability Benefits and Work

**Thursday, June 27, 2019 11am - 12pm CST**

Understanding Substantial Gainful Activity can help you better serve your consumers. In this webcast you'll learn to identify and describe the factors Social Security considers during SGA determinations, as well as the work incentives that can be applied to reduce countable earned income during SGA determinations.

### Topics include:

- Work incentives that allow beneficiaries to test their ability to work without losing cash payments
- Work incentives that allow beneficiaries to get benefits back if work stops
- The Extended Period of Medicare Coverage (EPMC) which allows beneficiaries to retain Medicare

### Presenter:

**Lucy Miller, Technical Assistance Liaison**

Work Incentives Planning & Assistance National Training and Data Center (WIPA - NTDC)

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## Understanding the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Program

**Thursday, Friday July 25, 2019**  
11am - 12pm CST

Many people with disabilities rely on SSI to meet their basic needs. In this webcast, you'll learn the overall purpose of SSI as a financial needs-based program and information critical to understanding eligibility and payment amounts.

### Topics include:

- Factors that affect eligibility and payment amounts for the SSI program
- The effect of resources on SSI eligibility
- Common resource exclusions
- The annual redetermination process and 12-month suspension provisions

### Presenter:

**Lucy Miller, Technical Assistance Liaison**

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## Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Work

Thursday, August 22, 2019  
11am - 12pm CST

Learn the basic effect of earned income on SSI cash payments and how work incentives can be used to support employment.

### Topics include:

- Four SSI work incentives that can be applied to reduce countable earned income
- The benefits of 1619(b) extended Medicaid and the eligibility requirements for this work incentive

### Presenters:

**Lucy Miller, Technical Assistance Liaison**  
Work Incentives Planning & Assistance National Training and Data Center (WIPA - NTDC)

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## Supporting Beneficiaries to Take the Next Step Toward Employment

Thursday, September 26, 2019  
11am - 12pm CST

Accurate information about work and benefits can help you support your consumers to take the next step toward employment.

### Topics include:

- The 4 points included in the message about work and benefits
- Strategies for working effectively with WIPA projects
- How beneficiaries are prioritized in the WIPA program

### Presenter:

**Lucy Miller, Technical Assistance Liaison**  
Work Incentives Planning & Assistance National Training and Data Center (WIPA - NTDC)

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