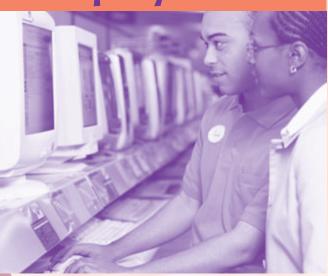


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Supported Employment



Helping people with mental illnesses find and keep jobs

What is Supported Employment?

Supported Employment helps people with mental illnesses find and keep meaningful jobs in the community.

Why participate in **Supported Employment?**

When people feel good about having a job, they often see themselves in a more positive way. Work gives people structure and routines. Having an income gives them more choices about what to buy and where to live.

How does Supported Employment work?

Consumer choice	No one is excluded from participating.
Integrated services	Employment specialists closely coordinate with other rehabilitation and clinical treatment practitioners, creating a comprehensive treatment program.
■ Competitive jobs	Employment specialists help people find jobs in the open labor market that pay at least minimum wage and that anyone could have, regardless of their disability status.
Benefits counseling	Employment specialists help people understand how benefits (such as Social Security or Medicaid) are affected by working. Most people are able to work and continue to receive some benefits.
■ Timely support	Employment specialists help people look for job soon after they enter the program.
Continuous supports	Once a job is found, employment specialists provide ongoing support, as needed.
Consumer preferences	Choices about work are based on a person's preferences, strengths, and experiences.