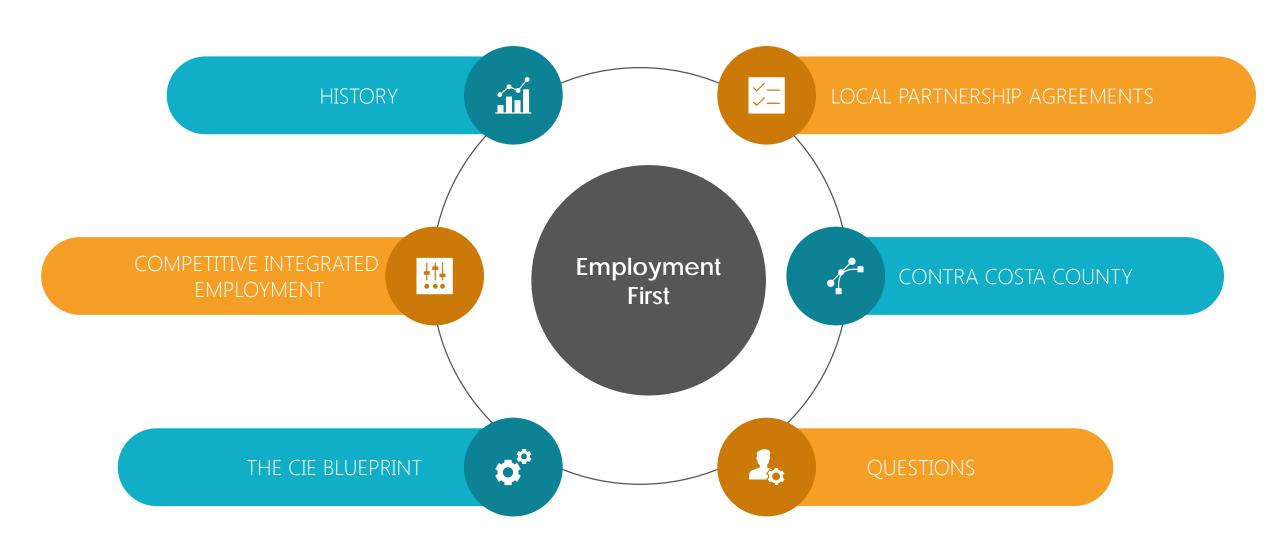
Introduction to the Contra Costa County Local Partnership Agreement Rose Dowd Employment Specialist, RCEB

Presentation Overview ___



History and Employment Statistics

AVERAGE NUMBER OF
REGIONAL CENTER
CONSUMERS WITH EARNED
INCOME

PERCENTAGE OF REGIONAL CENTER CONSUMERS WITH EARNED INCOME

AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES

• Statewide:

23,265

• Statewide:

14.5%

• Statewide:

\$8,698

RCEB

1,817

RCEB

17.1%

• RCEB

\$9,351

January through December 2017
Source: Employment Development Department

Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE)

- Working for pay (at least minimum wage)
- Working in the community alongside people without disabilities
- Getting the same level of benefits as other employees where you work
- Getting chances to advance to other positions, just like other employees

The California Competitive Integrated Employment Blueprint

• A roadmap to guide implementation activities to support the achievement of CIE for individuals with intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) over a five-year period







The Blueprint Goals

Improve collaboration and coordination

 Increase opportunities for individuals with ID/DD to prepare for and participate in CIE

 Support the Ability of individuals with ID/DD to make informed choices

Career Development Pathways



TRANSITION SERVICES

Education services under IDEA support employment based on individual need, interest, and abilities.

Increase opportunities for paid and unpaid work experiences



ADULT PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT

Opportunities to learn about individual interest and skills: job shadow, participate in internships and work trials. Benefits planning for individuals receiving public benefits



POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

Vocational training programs, college programs, internships and adult education programs assist individuals to prepare for career of their choice



SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT... ETC

Job placement supports and ongoing hourly job coaching services.

Customized Employment
Self Employment
Natural Supports



BUSINESS PARTNER ENGAGEMENT

"Job-driven training"
Awareness of
opportunities available
and staffing needs of
local businesses
Educating employers
on benefits of
employing ID/DD
population

Local Partnership Agreements

• An LPA documents the ways local partners will work together to streamline service delivery, engage their communities, and increase CIE opportunities for individuals with ID/DD.

 Must include the three core partners, may include community partners

Local Partnership Agreements



Contra Costa County

- Identify what's working and not working
- Case Studies and Needs Assessment
- Shared record of services
- Cross training for community partners
- Benefits Counseling for younger students and families
- Creative solutions for on-the-job support for students younger than 22

Next Steps:

Thank You