

# Work is for all

## **Employment First Prep Meeting Agenda**



- 1. Welcome
- 2. Review Employment First Committee Agenda
- 3. Minutes from April 18, 2012
- 4. Self-Advocates report and identify annual activities
- 5. Updates: CECY, SCDD Grants, APSE, ARCA Conference
- LegislationEFC Objectives and Work Plan

### **Employment First Meeting Agenda**



#### Welcome



Approve minutes from April 18, 2012



Review "Draft Employment First Annual Progress Report"

Self-Advocates Report and Discussion

Southern California Assoc of Persons Supporting Employment First

#### Legislation

AB 2338 update Future legislative focus

**Employment First Priority Activities 2012-2013** 

CA Employment Consortium (CECY) Update

**SCDD Grant Update** 

**ARCA New Day Conference** 

## **Employment First Report**





#### **Discussion Focus**

- 1. Role and responsibility of State and local agencies
- 2. Strategies
- 3. Outcomes
- 4. Next Steps

## **Employment First Report**





## Self-Advocate Employment Report Kecia and Cindy



1. Review data and report



2. Discussion: How do we go forward from here?

#### **Kecia Report**





Southern California Association of Persons Supporting Employment First

**APSE** is the only national organization with an *exclusive focus* on integrated employment. APSE has chapters in 35 states.

#### **Goals:**

- Promote employment opportunities for all people.
- Advocate for legislation promoting integrated employment.
- Work with policy makers to increase funding for integrated employment.
- Increase awareness about the benefits of hiring people with disabilities.
- Advocate for people with severe disabilities to have a lifestyle similar to that of people without disabilities.

## Robert Report



CA Employment Consortium for Youth and Young Adults with Intellectual and other Developmental Disabilities

Vision and outcomes - 2017

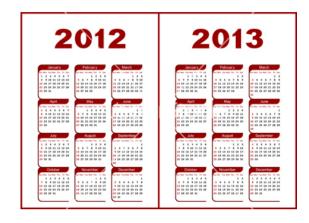
Identify good models for transition

Increase skills through trainings and conferences

Share information about progress and resources

California Employment First website

Report to EF Committee - Olivia Raynor



## **Grant Cycle**

**Priority** 

**Employment based grants** 

### Legislative Update





## AB 2338 – Employment First

#### **Current Status:**

Senate Appropriations sent AB 2338 to "suspense file". (suspense file is for bills that cost \$50,000 to \$100,000).

Committee staff assumed a \$1.3 million cost.

Many bills die in the suspense file.

#### **Next Steps:**

Present Committee members with facts.

Request bill come off the suspense list and move to Senate floor.

#### Legislative Update





#### **Suggestions for Legislative Focus**



Issues and barriers to employment

#### ARCA New Day Conference



#### Sept. 18 & 19, 2012 Pasadena



#### **MAKE HOUSING AND EMPLOYMENT A REALITY**

Innovative practices and projects to make housing and employment a reality

#### **Committee Focus**





# EMPLOYMENT FIRST PRIORITIES FOR 2013



## Annual Progress Report – Self Advocate Group





**Employment First Committee** 



