



*Transforming Networks through
Systems Change, Innovation & Collaboration*

PURPOSE

The Center will provide evidence-based technical assistance (TA) to the Administration on Disabilities (AoD) grantees aimed at improving competitive, integrated employment (CIE) and economic outcomes for individuals with disabilities across America. AoD grantees eligible to receive TA through the Center include: Centers for Independent Living (CIL), State Councils on Developmental Disabilities (Councils), University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD), State Protection and Advocacy Systems (P&A), Traumatic Brain Injury State Partnership Programs (TBI), and Projects of National Significance (PNS) Community Collaborations for Employment (CCE).



TA FOCUS

- **Systems Change:** Build the competencies of professionals at all levels within AoD grantee entities through applied learning techniques, e-learning communities, skills-development TA, peer-to-peer mentoring, and resource development.
- **Innovation:** Build the AoD grantee network capacity to focus on CIE and economic advancement strategies through identification, development, scalability, and sustainability of evidence-based practices.
- **Collaboration:** Leverage the unique talents and contributions of the AoD grantee network through strategic partnership development that leads to substantial improvements in CIE and economic advancement outcomes at an individual and systems level.

PROPOSED OUTCOME

Demonstrable improvements in CIE and economic outcomes for individuals with an array of abilities directly in connection with efforts by the AoD grantees.





CAPACITY BUILDING FOR GRANTEES



The [National TA Website and Resource Clearinghouse](#) will serve as the primary hub of 508-compliant materials and resources on disability employment for AoD programs, including already developed resources from nationally recognized entities and federal partners as well as new resources.



Resource Development and Dissemination includes informational/technical resources per year:

- Up to 10 written technical products specifically for AoD grantees
- Most products will be applicable across the AoD disability network



DIRECT TA TO GRANTEES, YEAR TWO

- **On-demand, real-time TA** based on grantee requests. The focus varies for each category of grantee, based on designated resources and prioritization of needs. The Center also provides TA to a cross-agency federal work group.
- **Creation of a National Community of Practice (CoP)** with monthly interactive webinars, blog posts, subject matter expert (SME) troubleshooting/brainstorming sessions, and podcasts.
- **Results & Innovation in Systems Excellence (RISE) Peer Action eLearning Communities** focused on helping state teams of AoD grantees and partners accomplish specific milestones directly connected to their employment systems-change efforts, including Assistive Technology and Employment, Financial Inclusion Matters for People with Disabilities, and Employer Engagement.
- Creation of up to five **Learning Management System Courses** solely for AoD grantees.