



Summary of Partnership Plus

Ticket to Work creates an opportunity for Wisconsin DVR to work in partnership with other providers of services, otherwise known as Employment Networks (EN). The desired outcome of such partnerships is an improved employment rate and increased independence for consumers. Ideally, an agreement between DVR and an EN will provide for a smooth transition for the consumer from DVR services to post employment retention services provided by an EN. As always, DVR allows for consumer choice when choosing an EN.

Key Features

- Roles and expectations of all involved are clearly stated
- Honors the consumer's choice, rights, and responsibilities
- Includes shared responsibilities between DVR and the EN
- Provides a standard referral process for smoother service provision
- Puts in place liaisons between both DVR and the EN to ensure good communication
- Review process between DVR and the EN allows for adjustments as needed
- Allows for the EN to still provide services to the consumer if a fee for service agreement is in place

Impact on the Consumer

- Increased chance for the consumer to maintain their employment long term
- Smoother transition to an EN after DVR case closes, thus allowing for ongoing employment support to the consumer
- Avoids the feeling of starting over for the consumer when moving between DVR and an EN
- Hears the ongoing message that they can earn more, move up and become independent!

Impact on DVR

- Provides services to move towards a successful employment outcome
- Informs consumer about general information on the ticket program
- Maximizes cost reimbursements through ongoing communication with the EN and wage documentation
- Provides consumer with specific information about Partnership Plus options and an option for a referral back to the original EN upon successful case closure
- EN services can be incorporated in the individualized plan for employment

Impact on the EN

- Provides follow along and support for the consumer thus helping them retain their employment
- Decreases chance of payment mistakes to an EN by Social Security Administration through increased communication on DVR intention on a case
- Is able to track VR status of the Ticket to Work assignment
- Shares wage data and earnings of common consumers with DVR

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