HUD Employment Products

The following products developed for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by ICF International and Advocates for Human Potential, Inc., are designed to address the employment needs of individuals with multiple barriers to work. Many are now available on HUD's Homelessness Resource Exchange (HRE) Web site at www.hudhre.info. Others will be posted as they are completed.

Employment Audio Lectures. This series includes nine audio lectures and accompanying brochures. Audio lecture topics include: Integrating Vocational Assessment in Client Service Planning; Outreach and Employment; Using an Integrated Services Approach to Engage Clients in Employment, Housing and Treatment; Employment Programs in Action; Work Incentives; Homelessness and Hiring: Employer Perspectives; Employment Retention: Customization and Other Strategies; Employment Services for Homeless Veterans; and Employment Services for Homeless Ex-Offenders.

http://hudhre.info/index.cfm?do=viewEmpAudioLectures

Coordinating Community Plans Guidebook. This guidebook is designed to explain the workforce planning process to housing and homelessness service practitioners, describe successful partnerships between employment and housing planners, and illuminate opportunities for collaboration at the State and local levels. Practical examples and skills training are used to illustrate how CoC planners and others involved in homeless services can provide input to Workforce Plans and develop partnerships with those involved in their creation.

http://hudhre.info/documents/CoordinatingCommunityPlans June2008.pdf

- Creating Community Employment Pathways (CEP) Guidebook. This guidebook provides guidance to communities seeking a strategy to build collaboration and increase partnerships across key systems that are required to increase employment outcomes among homeless jobseekers and encourage homeless people to work. Creating pathways for homeless jobseekers is about establishing programmatic bridges to improve service coordination and effective use of scarce community resources.
- Accessing Mainstream Employment and Income Support Programs Guidebook. This quidebook provides guidance to homeless assistance and workforce development providers and planners to help them promote self-sufficiency among their clients by connecting them to mainstream employment and income support programs. http://hudhre.info/documents/AccessingMainstreamResources April2008.pdf
- Documenting Employment Results Teleconference. This teleconference, held in April 2008, brought together voices of consumers and TA providers on the principles, best practices, and expected outcomes of employment readiness services. The conference also addressed employment services performance benchmarks. The slides and notes used in the teleconference have been posted on the HRE. http://hudhre.info/documents/DocumentingResultsTeleconference_04-24-08.pdf
- Earned Income Disregard (EID) Materials. This set of materials includes training slides with narration script and a brochure and poster that explain the EID work incentive. The training curriculum details EID exceptions and eligibility requirements, and provides suggestions on how to incorporate EID rent calculations in practice and evaluate the property manager's effectiveness in making EID available to tenants.
- Financing Employment Services for Homeless People Training Materials. This resource • has been developed as a PowerPoint slide presentation with detailed accompanying notes. The presentation is designed to help homeless assistance planners and providers learn about mainstream programs that can be used to fund employment services for homeless people.