EFC Data Workgroup Overview and Progress

Purpose of Workgroup

The purpose of the Data Workgroup is to implement the Employment First Committee's responsibilities related to data included in AB 1041 by identifying the data that would be most useful and relevant in determining barriers to competitive integrated employment (CIE) and outcomes. The Workgroup will also determine how to best update and maintain the Data Dashboard.

AB 1041 (2014)

- Identifying existing sources of employment data and recommending goals for, and approaches to measuring progress in, increasing integrated employment and gainful employment of people with developmental disabilities.

- Identifying existing sources of consumer data that can be used to provide demographic information for individuals, including, but not limited to, age, gender, ethnicity, types of disability, and geographic location of consumers, and that can be matched with employment data to identify outcomes and trends of the Employment First Policy.

- Recommending goals for measuring employment participation and outcomes for various consumers within the developmental services system.

Background

Members began meeting in 2020 and met for a total of 9 times. Members began to determine the steps needed to implement the charge; who needed to access to data (e.g., researchers, families, employers, policymakers, etc.); identifying ways the data can be used by audience members (e.g., measuring current outcomes, measuring improvements, etc.); and identifying data that already exists and begin a discussion of the gaps in accessing or analyzing data.

Workgroup Progress

- Members drafted a letter that would go out to stakeholders once needed data was identified.
- Members revised data point descriptions on the current dashboard and brought it before the Committee for approval.
- Members identified a variety of data points that we currently don't collect.

Workgroup Members/Invited Guests

Olivia Raynor (Chair), Sarah Isaacs, Michael Luna, Catherine Hayward, Cindy Smith, Ruby Villanueva, Robin Maitino-Erben, Matt Traverso, Lea Park-Kim, Arturo Chavez, and DDS data person.