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**To:** Chief Elected Officials  
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**cc:** WIOA State Partners

**From:** Alice Sweeney, Director  
Department of Career Services

**Date:** October 12, 2018

**Subject:** **Expanding Opportunities for Competitive Integrated Employment Webinar**

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**Purpose:** To notify Local Workforce Boards, Career Centers and other local workforce partners of a DOL/LEAD Center webinar focused on Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE). The webinar is being offered Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm – 4:30pm ET.

**Background:** The LEAD Center is a collaborative of disability, workforce and economic empowerment organizations dedicated to improving employment and economic advancement outcomes for all people with disabilities. The LEAD Center is funded by the Office of Disability Employment Policy, U.S. Department of Labor

Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) is critical to achieving equal opportunity, full participation, and economic self-sufficiency for people with disabilities. Join this webinar to learn how to expand opportunities for CIE and how input from workforce professionals can help to develop and implement federal and state policies that advance opportunities for CIE.

The webinar will offer suggestions for engagement and advocacy, including opportunities to educate students with disabilities, their families, and their

teachers about CIE and the transition process. An experienced group of panelists will share resources and show you the avenues you can take to improve your state's employment options for people with disabilities. The webinar will also highlight the recently released LEAD Center brief, Five Ways You Can Help Expand Opportunities for Competitive Integrated Employment in Your Community.

Panelists include advocates from Center for Public Representation, SEEC (Seeking Equality, Empowerment and Community for People with Developmental Disabilities), the Administration for Community Living, and Workforce Essentials.

Click [here](#) to register.

**Action**

**Requested:** Please share with managers, staff and partners as appropriate.

**Effective:** Immediately.