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Policy Information

То:	Chief Elected Officials MassHire Workforce Board Chairs MassHire Workforce Board Directors MassHire Career Center Directors MassHire Fiscal Officers MassHire DCS Operations Managers
cc:	WIOA State Partners
From:	Alice Sweeney, Director MassHire Department of Career Services
Date:	June 4, 2021
Subject:	Work Without Limits Public Benefits & Work – 2 Part Overview Training
Purpose:	To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other local workforce partners of the Public Benefits & Work, 2-part training of-fered by Work Without Limits, Tuesday June 22 nd and Thursday, June 24 th from 1:00 to 3:00.
Background:	Work Without Limits, an initiative of the Commonwealth Medicine division of the University of Massachusetts Medical School, is a network of engaged em- ployers and innovative, collaborative partners whose shared mission is to in- crease the employment rate of people with disabilities. Their goal is for the em- ployment rate of people with disabilities be equal to that of people without disa-

The Work Without Limits is offering training for Employment Specialists and Case Managers who provide employment services and supports to individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

PART 1: The Basics of SSI and SSDI

Tuesday, June 22, 2021 from 1:00-3:00 pm Learn about the differences between Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) including eligibility requirements.

PART 2: SSI and SSDI Work Incentives

Thursday, June 24, 2021 from 1:00-3:00 pm Learn about SSI and SSDI Work Incentive programs that assist individuals to return to work or increase earnings from work.

Register to attend

- Registration is required. When registering, you are committing to attend both sessions.
- ASL and CART have been reserved. When registering, you will be asked to indicate if you require these services.
- There is no cost to attend.

Action

- **Requested:** Please share with all appropriate managers, staff, partners and customers.
- Effective: Immediately.
- Inquiries: Inquiries can be sent to Winifred.Siano@umassmed.edu