

**Economic Impact Fact Sheet**

**Return on Investment (ROI) July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017**

**Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission – Vocational Rehabilitation Program**

Individuals with disabilities successfully placed into competitive employment:  **3,973**

Average hourly wage for employed consumers: **$14.11**

Average work hours per week for employed consumers: **26.74**

Total annual earnings for consumers placed into employment:  **$77,948,960**

Estimated public benefits savings from employed consumers:  **$29,797,500**

Projected annual Massachusetts income tax paid by employed consumers: **$2,688,741**

Projected annual Federal income tax paid by employed consumers: **$5,272,041**

Consumers placed into employment with medical insurance: **96.6%**

Return to society based on increase in lifetime earnings for

consumers placed into employment, FY2017\*: **$1,023,909,731**

Return to society based on returns to government in the form

of increased taxes and reduced public assistance payments, FY2017\*\*: **$365,682,047**

*\*Based on Commonwealth Corporation Study on ROI that $14 is returned to society based on increases in lifetime earnings for each $1 invested in the MRC Vocational Rehabilitation program.*

*\*\*Based on Commonwealth Corporation Study on ROI that $5 is returned to the government for each $1 invested in the MRC Vocational Rehabilitation program.*

**Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission**

The Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC) promotes equality, empowerment, and independence of individuals with disabilities. These goals are achieved through enhancing and encouraging personal choice and the right to succeed in the pursuit of independence and employment in the community.

The MRC provides comprehensive services to people with disabilities that maximize their quality of life and economic self-sufficiency in the community.