

Cost Benefits

AN ANALYSIS OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH I/DD

Customized and Supported Employment can be valuable approaches to the successful employment of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). These vocational rehabilitation services are a vital part of competitive integrated employment in the community. To better understand the cost benefits of these services, a recent study looks at research conducted over the last 20 years that revealed some key findings, including:

- Integrated community employment services provide a greater cost benefit to workers and taxpayers than segregated employment.
- There is no tangible benefit for sheltered workshops, which prove to be less cost-efficient.
- Integrated services aimed directly at achieving community integrated employment are more cost-efficient in terms of public investment.



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