Ready, Set, work!

The winning formula for Competitive Integrated Employment!



Arizona APSE – Advancing Employment First



Empowering Inclusive Employment Opportunities

AZ APSE, who we are:





We are a board of volunteers, each from a different background, all a key part to the employment team

We are self advocates, providers, family members, representatives of state agencies

APSE's Mission and Impact

To expand inclusive employment opportunities for all people with disabilities through education, advocacy, & legislative action

Employment in the general workforce is the preferred outcome.

Employment First

Everyone can work with the right supports

Everyone wants to work

Everyone has a talent or can contribute in a productive way

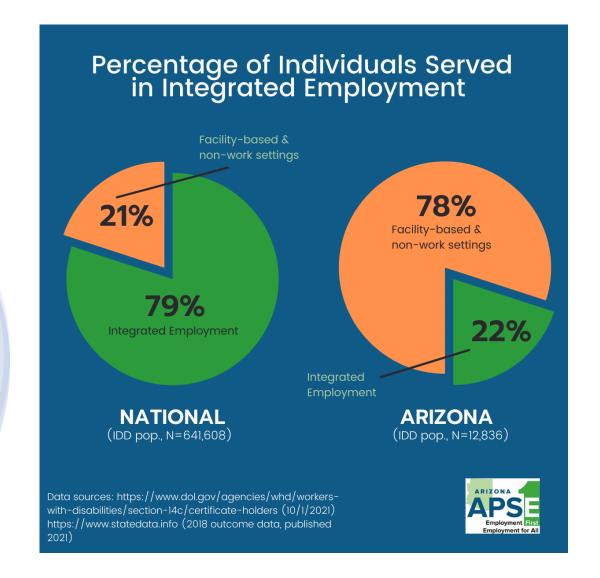
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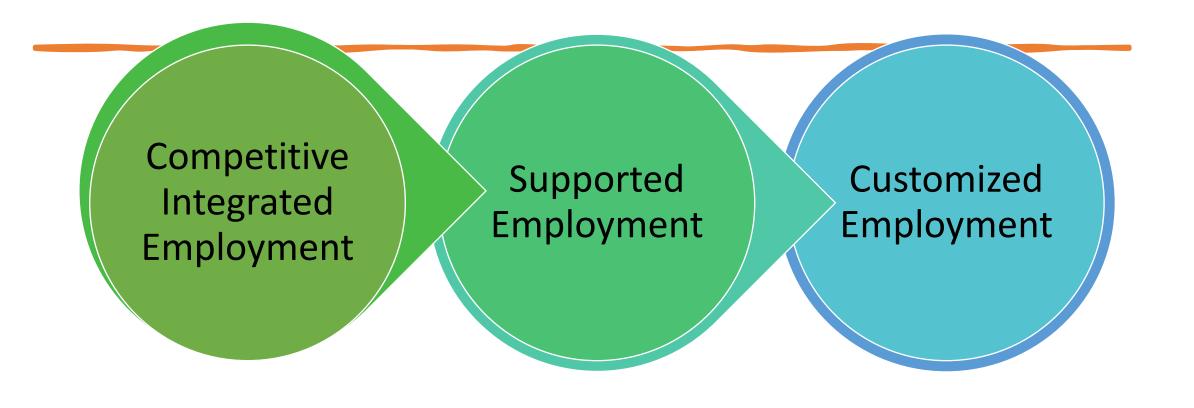
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Community integration and engagement

Self determination

CIE







Identifying Barriers and Ongoing Action



Promoting CIE over CBE



Identify common barriers and address at a systemic level



Train providers with Employment First leading



Ongoing Action

- Advocate for DEI
- Connection and engagement
- Connection to resources to promote Employment First on a wide scale and ensure access to competitive and integrated roles
- Promote success stories and uplift others



What has AZ APSE done this year?



-In person event



-Supported DESP Survey



-City of Tempe Subcomittee Presentation





I am a _____

and I pledge to



EXPECT & PROMOTE
Employment for all Arizonans



ADVOCATE for people with disabilities to obtain real work for real pay!



BE A VOICE for Employment First



HIRE people with disabilities

 Take the Employment First Pledge to recommit to prioritizing preferred outcomes for job seekers Please visit our website for more information

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Consider Joining AZAPSE

- Connect and network with peers
- utilize recourses
- Take action
- Move the needle