

FACT SHEET

Disability Services

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services offers a wide range of services for people with disabilities who meet the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other federal hiring requirements.

The scope of accommodations and services includes, but is not limited to, the designation of a representative in each Ohio Job and Family Services One-Stop Office to serve persons whose disabilities affect their employment-related needs. Services also include:

- Providing a sign language interpreter as needed for persons with hearing impairments;
- Installation of telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDDs);
- Providing a reader, when needed, and audio cassettes for persons with visual impairments;
- An established link with other social service agencies that have resources for assisting persons with disabilities obtain employment, and
- The use of promotional programs, job fairs, and individual job-development activities with employers to market job-seeking customers.

The designated One-Stop representative in each Job and Family Services Office acts as a resource person and when necessary, provides direct services to the customer when other staff members are unable to accommodate them. It is the policy of ODJFS to provide services to persons with disabilities by:

- Offering services that will ensure equal opportunity in employment;
- Determining the occupational qualifications by assessing work experience, training, education, and interest;
- Providing vocational exploration and counseling services;
- Promoting and developing acceptance of workers with disabilities on the basis of their abilities;
- Coordinating program activities with other groups and agencies serving persons with disabilities and;
- Securing community understanding and support by promoting National Disability Employment Awareness Month and the educational activities of the Governor's Council on People with Disabilities.

The phone numbers are:

614-438-1393
614-438-1891 (Voice/TDD)

The Council is located at:

Rehabilitation Services Commission
400 East Campus View Boulevard
Columbus, Ohio 43235-4604

For more information, contact your local One-Stop Employment and Training Center.