

States and Autism?

What are they doing and how can we help?

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What are State “pain points”?

Medicaid

- Managed long term services and supports
- Waivers

Budgets

Services to transition age youth (and adults)

Employment – HCBS rules

Employment First – competitive integrated employment



Are There Opportunities in the States?

Flexibility from the federal government means opportunities for the states

States are the catalysts for change

States are looking for solutions and partners

Innovation is easier and cheaper to achieve in states

Systems change doesn't happen "just" through legislation!



How do we start?

Address their “pain points”

Do you have existing Champions?

- From insurance mandates?? It’s a foot in the door

YOU HAVE DATA. Share it.

YOU KNOW BEST PRACTICES. Share them.

YOU HAVE CREDIBILITY. Use it.

Keep the conversation going; insert yourself!



Coalitions, Collaborations & Partnerships

Ohio: OCALI

- Public/private

Indiana: Anthem

- Nonprofit/for profit/academic

Pilot?

- Workforce/WIOA – must spend 15% on transition age youth

Your grantee concurrent sessions yesterday demonstrate all kinds of partnerships!



What Have YOU Seen States Do?

Share YOUR experiences

Where are your partnerships?

Where could you partner?

Where does your state need you?

What can you take away?

What questions has this raised for you?

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