Ohio Sunset Review Committee
Agency Questionnaire

Agency Name Employment First Task Force

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Agency's primary purpose and its various goals and objectives

The Employment First Taskforce, codified in ORC section 5123.023, has the primary responsability to improve the coordination of the state's efforts to address the needs of people with developmental disabilities who seek community empoloyment.

It is policy that all Ohioans, including people with significant disabilities, can and should have opportunities to work in the community.

The Employment First Taskforce's goals and objectives are outlined within the Transition Vision Workplan.

Core Principles are the following:
1. Competitive, integrated employment is the expectation for all youth with disabilities
2. Transition planning for youth requires multi-agency collaboration
3. Early dialogue with individuals and families is critical to ensuring employment outcomes
4. There are multiple pathways to employment
5. Person-centered planning is key to the development of effective services and supports for transition-age youth

Agency's past and anticipated workload, number of staff required to complete workload, and total number of staff

The Employment First Task Force is made up of members from various state agencies including: DODD, OOD, DEW, DD Council, ODM, OMHAS, ODJFS, ODOT, and ODH.

DODD convenes a yearly diverse group of stakeholders to outline recommendations for the Employment First Task Force. The Taskforce then meets monthly.

Agency’s past and anticipated budgets and its sources of funding

Taskforce members serve without compensation.

Number of members of its governing board or other governing entity and their compensation, if any

The Employment First Task Force is made up of members from various state agencies. Members do not receive compensation.

Additional notes

None.