

## Free Online Training Opportunity



DOH/DDSD is partnering with the State Employment Leadership Network (SELN) to provide a free online on-demand training opportunity! The course is called, "Welcome to Supporting a Vision for Employment: A Course for Case Managers and Support Coordinators". This interactive course is composed of four modules. Each module contains videos, scenarios, engagement activities, and knowledge checks. Each module will take approximately 60 minutes to complete, depending on your learning style, and is divided into lessons to make it easy to complete in short bursts. After completing the final quiz for each module, you will receive a certificate confirming your participation. Please email Frank Gaona, Statewide Supported Employment Lead at [Frank.Gaona@state.nm.us](mailto:Frank.Gaona@state.nm.us) to reserve your spot!

[Reserve Your Spot Today!](#)

## Reaching New Heights in Supported Employment Conference



### Registration Opening Soon!

Please join us for the Third Annual Reaching New Heights in Supported Employment Virtual Conference!

The Conference themes for this year are:

- Wednesday, May 4, 2022 – New Mexico Proud
- Thursday, May 5, 2022 – Let's Taco 'Bout Supported Employment
- Friday, May 6, 2022 – Advocacy for All!

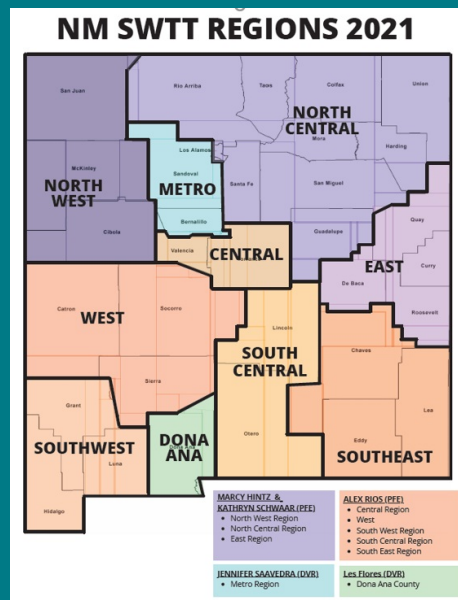
This conference will be brought to you at no cost thanks to our funding partners: the New Mexico Department of Health/Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) and the New Mexico Public Education Department/Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR).

Visit Our Calendar for More Details!

## School-to-Work Transition Teams (SWTT)

New Mexico School-to-Work Transition Teams are in full swing! SWT teams bring together schools, state agencies, and local agencies who all share a role in supporting high school youth in their transition to work and integrated community life. Here's a schedule, with Zoom links, for meetings in late November and December:

- **02/16** Northcentral (Santa Fe, Los Alamos, Rio Arriba, Taos, Catron, Mora, San Miguel, Union, and Harding Counties) 9-10:30 AM [Zoom link](#)
- **02/16** Central (Valencia, Torrance Counties) 1-2:30 PM [Zoom link](#)
- **03/08** South Central (Otero and Lincoln Counties) 2:30 - 4 PM [Zoom link](#)
- **03/08** Westcentral (Socorro, Sierra, Catron Counties) 2:30 - 4 PM [Zoom link](#)
- **03/10** Southeast (Lea, Eddy, and Chavez Counties) 1:30 - 3:30 PM [Zoom link](#)
- **03/28** Southwest (Grant, Luna, Catron Counties) 2:30 - 4 PM [Zoom link](#)



## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT LOCAL LEADERS (SELL)

Only Two Dates Left to Participate!

March 10, 2022 10:00 – 11:30AM

June 9, 2022 10:00 – 11:30AM

The March 10th statewide Supported Employment Local Leaders (SELL) meeting will focus on credentialing: *ACRE vs. CESP - What do we need to do to get the credential?* Plus an opportunity to collaborate with other professionals during this session's training, Job development: How to reach out to community groups.

This meeting will take place over Zoom.

### Who Should Attend?

The meetings are open to anyone who is interested in learning how to connect people with disabilities to community activities and supported employment.

### Why Should I Attend?

- A free training will be provided at every meeting.
  - It is an opportunity to network with peers.
  - You ask questions and problem-solve with DVR, DDS, and UNM/CDD.
- All three partners will be at each meeting!

To be added to our mailing list for these meetings, please email [CDD-PFEinfo@salud.unm.edu](mailto:CDD-PFEinfo@salud.unm.edu). We hope to see you there!

## Let Us Know You'll Be There!

**DATE AND TIME**  
03/10/22 10:00am-03/10/22  
11:30am

Send  
Me  
a  
Calendar  
Invite!



**YOU ARE INVITED**  
**Supported Employment Local Leaders**

The Supported Employment Local Leaders (SELL) teams are changing their format for Fiscal Year 2022. Rather than meeting regionally, Partners for Employment will be hosting four online statewide meetings via Zoom. We invite you to attend these meetings.

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June 9, 2022 • 10-11:30 AM

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## Free Wise Training Series

### Positive Behavior Supports: Breaking patterns of harm and restriction

**FRIDAY 03/18 | 1-3 PM**



Many people experiencing challenging behavior today also come with a history of traumatic encounters with systems- school, justice, and even the developmental disability system. How can you align your services to not cause further harm? This session will offer participants specific examples of skills, tools, and accommodations practitioners could use and ample time for questions and answers.

**REGISTER TODAY FOR WISE**

## CESP and ACRE Achievements

Please join us in congratulating the following New Mexico Employment

Professionals for obtaining their National Certificate of Achievement in Employment Services through the Association of Community Rehabilitation Educators (ACRE) or their Certified Employment Support Professional (CESP) Credentials!

### ACRE

Winton Wood  
Christina Hastings

### CESP

Keith Maes  
Catalina Oselio

**CESP Recertifications:**  
Brittany Edwards-Sharpe  
Donna Crockett  
Eugene Vigil  
Frank Gaona  
Les Flores



For information on how to achieve an ACRE, please contact Dominique Nunez at [DENunez@salud.unm.edu](mailto:DENunez@salud.unm.edu). For more information on becoming a Certified Employment Support Professional (CESP) please contact Brittany Edwards-Sharpe at [BSharpe@salud.unm.edu](mailto:BSharpe@salud.unm.edu).