March 9, 2018  Season 3, Episode 3  12 PM to 1 PM EST

Live webinar hosted via Zoom Webinar

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12:00 PM  Introduction & Welcome
12:05 PM  Overview of National Trends in Disability Employment (nTIDE) Jobs Report Release
  Andrew Houtenville, UNH Institute on Disability, John O’Neill, Kessler Foundation
12:15 PM  Announcements from the field of Disability Employment
  Denise Rozell, Director, Policy Innovation, AUCD
12:25 PM  Guest Presentation
  Nadia Ibrahim, Senior Policy Advisor & Federal Lead on the State Exchange on Employment and Disability (SEED), Office of Disability Employment Policy, U.S. Department of Labor
  Robert “Bobby” Silverstein, & Principal, Powers Pyles Sutter & Verville PC
12:45 PM  Open Question & Answer period for attendees

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Presenters

**Nadia Ibrahim** serves as a Senior Policy Advisor in the U.S. Department of Labor’s Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) and currently leads the State Exchange on Employment and Disability (SEED), an initiative to encourage the development and adoption of inclusive, state-level workforce policies. Outside of her professional responsibilities and experiences, Ms. Ibrahim has partnered with local, state, and national policymakers to improve access for people with disabilities, serving on the Montgomery County Taxicab Commission, Maryland Governor’s Commission on Disabilities, the National Fire Protection Association’s Fire Safety for People with Disabilities Task Force, the White House Accessibility and Inclusiveness Working Group, and as president of Virgin America’s Disability Advisory Committee. Ms. Ibrahim holds a Master’s degree in Journalism and Mass Communication from Kent State, as well as a Bachelor’s degree in English and a Master’s degree in Social Work from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she graduated with honors.

**Robert “Bobby” Silverstein** initially developed his consensus-building style while serving in various capacities in the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate. A prolific author, speaker, and trainer, Bobby has written several peer-reviewed journal articles and 100 papers and articles on public policy issues from a disability perspective, and has been the keynote speaker before national and state organizations. He has facilitated training sessions in more than 40 states on various public policy issues and the policymaking process. Bobby is the recipient of more than 10 national awards, including the Distinguished Services Award of the President of the United States. From 1997-2007, Bobby served as the Director of the Center for the Study and Advancement of Disability Policy. From 1997-2000, he also served as an Associate Professor of Health Care Sciences at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences and as an Associate Professor of Health Services Management and Policy at the George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services.

**Monthly nTIDE Presenters:**

**Andrew Houtenville, PhD** is an Associate Professor of Economics and Research Director of the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire. Dr. Houtenville is extensively involved in disability statistics and employment policy research. He has published widely in the areas of disability statistics and the economic status of people with disabilities. He is the Principle Investigator on the NIDILRR-funded Employment Policy and Measurement Rehabilitation and Research Training Center. Dr. Houtenville received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of New Hampshire in 1997 and was a National Institute on Aging Post-Doctoral Fellow at Syracuse...
John O’Neill, Ph.D., CRC is the Director of Employment Research at the Kessler Foundation. He currently serves as the Project Co-Director of two NIDRR-funded Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers (RRTC), “Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Disability Statistics and Demographics” and “Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Individual-Level Characteristics Related to Employment Among Individuals with Disabilities.” He is a former principle investigator of the RRTC on the Community Integration of People with TBI, and worked for more than eight years on NIDRR-funded research to improve the quality of vocational rehabilitation services for persons with AIDS.

For six years Dr. O’Neill sat on the NY Rehabilitation Council and was the Council’s representative working with the State vocational rehabilitation agency to create a comprehensive system of personnel development. Dr. O’Neill also directed the graduate program in rehabilitation counseling at Hunter College, CUNY for 25 years. He is a guest editor for the Rehabilitation Counseling Bulletin for an upcoming special issue on Disability, Person-Environment Interaction and Employment (Spring 2013). Dr. O’Neill is a national expert in the employment of individuals with disability. He recently joined KF as Director of Vocational Research. In this capacity, he will work with the NNJTBIS as a co-investigator focused on dissemination activities regarding employment issues in TBI. Dr. O’Neill will additionally serve as a co-investigator on our site specific research project, assisting with the measurement of employment-related outcomes.

Denise M. Rozell is the Director of Policy Innovation at the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD). Prior to joining AUCD, she spent fifteen years as Assistant Vice President for State Government Relations with Easter Seals. Denise was the primary resource to Easter Seals 75 affiliates in building capacity to increase awareness of and support for Easter Seals in state government. Prior to that, Denise was the Executive Director of the Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired, an international membership organization for the professionals serving individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Denise also was the Governmental Relations Representative for the American Foundation for the Blind and the Director of Public Policy for the National Association of Developmental Disabilities Councils, the membership organization representing the 55 state and territorial Developmental Disabilities Councils. Denise holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Occidental College in Los Angeles and a juris doctorate from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California in Berkeley.