

# **Governor's Behavioral Health Services Planning Council's Vocational Rehabilitation Subcommittee**

The Vocational Subcommittee evaluates outcomes to discover areas in which the system is doing well and where it can improve. It also makes recommendations on where to focus funding for vocational programs.

## **Mission**

The mission of the Vocational Subcommittee is to make recommendations to the Governor's Behavioral Health Services Planning Council to help identify barriers and create opportunities in order for persons with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) to gain competitive employment.

## **Vision**

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## **Goals of the Subcommittee:**

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1. Insuring that all persons with disabilities are being served using the Supported Employment, evidence-based practice model as the treatment model of choice, including serving the clients with the most severe disabilities.
2. Continue to assure training across the state, to address areas of consistency of services and proper mental health training for all providers of supported employment services.
3. Insuring that all Community Mental Health Centers Supported Employment programs can provide employment seeking services to consumers with adequate funding for their programs.

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