



Professional Input Panel for Employment (PIPEin)

Overview

The Professional Input Panel for Employment (PIPEin) is a volunteer group of professionals who want to provide feedback to the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) on the work we are doing to align our employment service systems and advance MN's Employment First efforts. The goal of PIPEin is to have an identified pool of people who provide impactful feedback in an agile fashion that respects their time. The Disability Hub Virtual Insight Panel (VIP) will be used to gather feedback from people who use the services.

Who can join?

Targeted professionals include:

- HCBS waiver case managers and supervisors
- Vocational Rehabilitation Services and State Services for the Blind staff (Counselors, PreETS representatives, Placement staff, Managers/Supervisors)
- Employment Service Providers
 - HCBS Waiver Employment service providers
 - VRS Community Rehabilitation Partner (CRP)/Limited-Use Vendor (LUV) service providers
 - State Services for the Blind service providers
- Disability Advocacy Organizations

PIPEin activities

Interagency staff are working to create new policies, procedures, tools, and resources as part of this work. They want to engage stakeholders along the way to inform the work, and review and test the products. Activities may include:

- Online surveys, polls, and material reviews
- Focus groups
- One-on-one interviews
- Conference calls
- In person design events

Member expectations

To stay an active PIPEin member you need to participate a minimum of two requests within a year.

To apply:

Fill out the online application on DisabilityHubMn.org *Partners tab, MoU*.