**2022 CCEPD Strategic Priorities**

**Background Information**

This document provides updates on the strategic priorities and various projects associated with work, as of September 2022.

**Subcommittee Projects identified through Strategic Priorities Listed Below**

Increase employment outcomes of people with disabilities through education and training to gain skills as California enters the post-pandemic.

* Discussions on High-road training partnerships –The Employment and Training (E&T) Subcommittee held first discussion. More will follow in 2022.
* Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act State Plan Modified – Comment letter was submitted to the California Workforce Development Board on February 3rd.
* State Strategic Plan on Career Technical Education – CCEPD staff monitoring the conversations and are recommending to submit a comment letter when plan is available for public comment.
* Identifying best practices in regional planning units and local workforce development plans – Continued discussions.
* Green Jobs – Discussion occurred with California State Workforce Development Board and Office of Planning and Research.
* DOR’s Demand-Side Business initiative – An overview discussion was introduced at the January 2022 E&T Subcommittee meeting. Regular updates will be received.
* Implementation of [SB 639](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB639) – Executive Officer has been following stakeholder engagements on implementation efforts.
* Follow budget workforce initiatives for implementation efforts and implementation efforts of [AB 313](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB313). Following workforce initiatives.

Coordinate systems to achieve better employment outcomes for people with disabilities.

* Discussions on service delivery – Survey was released to service providers in February and 65 responses were received. Provided results to the State Coordination Subcommittee and will incorporate information into policy-making conversations. Shared responses with other state entities as requested. We plan to do more surveys in the future to help inform our discussions.
* Develop no wrong door policies – State Coordination Subcommittee has decided to develop a survey for more information on cross-training needs with workforce staff. Cross-training is the first topic to discuss for no wrong door policies.
* Peer Specialists for behavioral health – The State Coordination Subcommittee will receive presentation in September.

Work on a better, coordinated system of benefits and support services for people with disabilities.

* Implementation efforts for long-term services – Executive Officer will follow.
* Elimination of asset limits for Medi-Cal implementation efforts – Had presentation from Department of Health Care Services in July.
* Benefits planning recommendations – Members discussed recommendations in August.

Ensure people with disabilities are included in equitable pandemic recovery efforts and lessons learned in service delivery from the pandemic.

* Advocate that disability is part of this discussion and reemployment for people with disabilities should be a continued priority. Equity statements are on CCEPD’s website. Executive Officer will discuss with member representatives on efforts of individual departments.
* Partner with other disability entities to weigh in on issues that affect employment and training and support services.
* Continue community perspectives agenda at Full Committee Meetings.
* Develop a legislative program – CCEPD will discuss legislative framework in November Full Committee meeting and incorporate language into the operating guidelines.

Youth Event Subcommittee  
The Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) 2.1 concept were submitted to lead departments (Department of Rehabilitation and Employment Development Department). The Youth Event Subcommittee Chair and Executive Officer has engaged with local partners in Inland Empire, Los Angeles, Orange County, Sacramento, and San Diego to develop at least three pilots for this year. Three workgroups met in June and July. More meetings are planned for the fall. Executive Officer has scheduled meetings with Departments to discuss the YLF 2.1 concept in September.