# Harnessing networks to find employment

# 2-hour online workshop

Dates: Wednesday 18th September 2024

Time: 10 am-12 pm AEST

# What is this online workshop about?

People with developmental disability are significantly underrepresented when it comes to paid work in open employment and are often excluded from the many benefits that employment can provide.

Many people use and rely on their networks and connections to find employment however, this approach is not well used when it comes to supporting people with developmental disabilities to find employment.

Customised Employment is a unique and highly effective process in assisting people with disabilities to achieve employment outcomes. An important step in the Customised Employment process is inviting a network of people who are **well connected to the community** to an Employment Planning Meeting. Using broad networks can be a powerful aid in planning for, identifying and opening doors to employment opportunities that will have a greater likelihood of success.

This 2-hour workshop will aim to assist participants to:

* Understand the importance of Customised Employment
* Learn how to be more intentional about using their community networks
* Think strategically about who to invite to an Employment Planning Meeting
* Prepare for an Employment Planning Meeting
* Facilitate an Employment Planning Meeting process
* Discern different types of leads
* Understand how to approach prospective qualified employers by using “warm leads” in follow-up conversations

This is an interactive online workshop. Participants need to be prepared to participate in individual and group activities and have their video cameras on.

# Presenter

Milton Tyree has more than 40 years of experience in designing, developing, and providing support and services centered on people with intellectual disabilities having access to valued aspects of everyday life. The primary focus of his work has been addressing the ongoing struggle around people with intellectual disabilities having good lives and employment. Over the years Milton’s work has been influenced by Marc Gold & Associates (MG&A) and Social Role Valorisation Association. He is a retired project director of the University of Kentucky’s Human Development Institute. He continues part-time work focused on supported employment leadership development in Kentucky and employment consulting in other states and internationally.

# Who is this event for?

This event will be of particular interest to families, allies, and supporters of people with developmental disabilities who are keen to discover ways to enhance successful employment outcomes through a Customised Employment approach that includes drawing on networks and community connections.

# Event Details

Location: The webinar will be held on Zoom

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# Ticket Information

**NDIS Plan:** This rate is for people with a disability and families/carers paying out of their NDIS plan (this ticket price is ex GST). **Ticket Price: AUD$40.00**

**General Concession:** This rate is for people with a disability, families, students and Health Care Card holders who are paying as an individual (not from their NDIS Plan). **Ticket Price: AUD$45.00**

**Standard:** This rate is for professionals or people with a disability and families who are attending and who are employed by or represent a service, support, or advocacy organisation, company, or corporation. **Ticket Price: AUD$65.00**

Registrations are only available online. Please read our [ticket terms and conditions and refund policy](https://www.belongingmatters.org/policiesandprocedures) before booking your ticket.

**Registrations close on Monday 16 September 2024.**

# How to Book Your Ticket

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