

PATHWAYS FOR PARTNERSHIP

ADMINISTRATION FOR
COMMUNITY LIVING

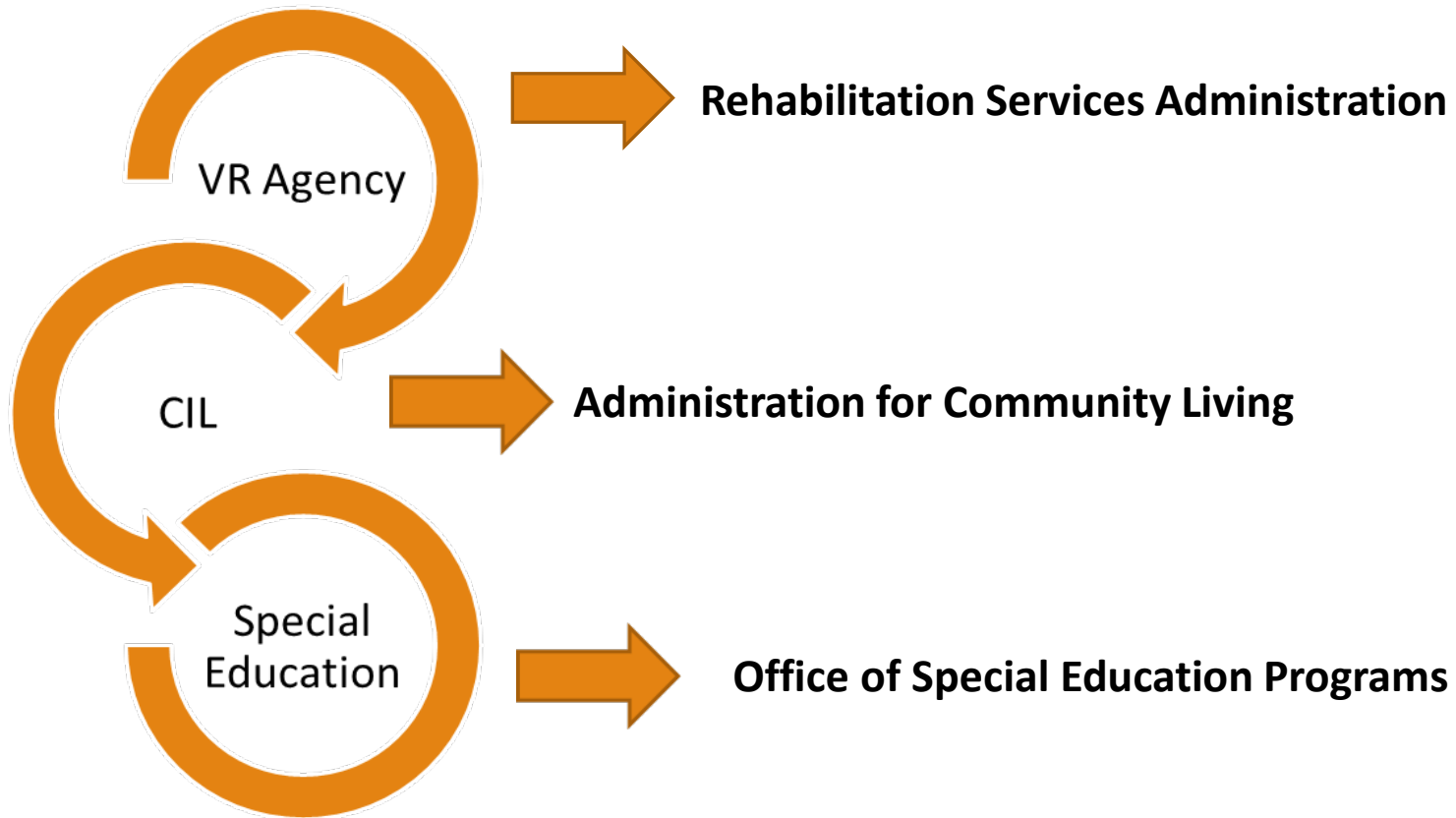
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Pathways to Partnership

PARTNERING FOR STUDENTS AND YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES TO IMPROVE JOB OPPORTUNITIES





The Ability Center

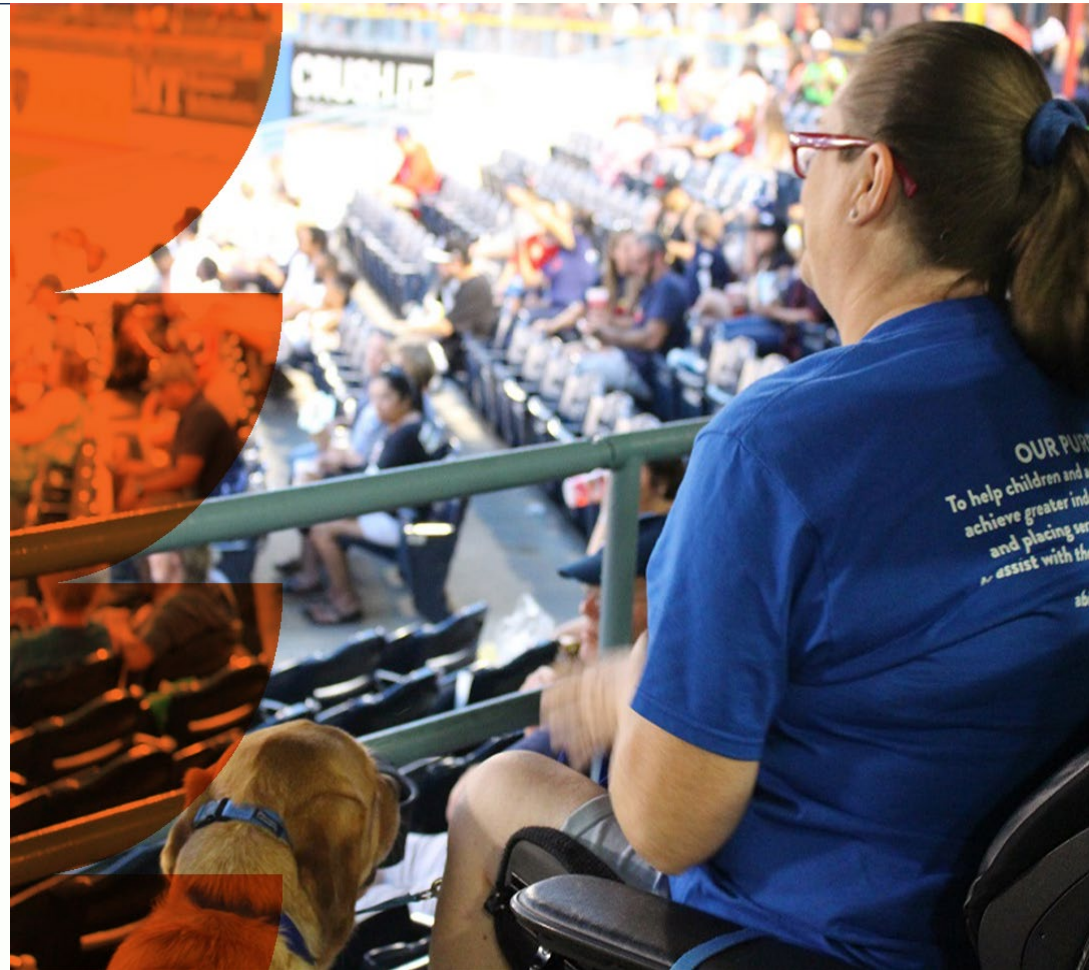
Transition of Youth & Pathways to Partnership

APRIL Conference 2020

LISA BROSEKE

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT COORDINATOR

The Ability Center advocates, educates, partners, and provides services supporting people with disabilities to thrive within their community.



Counties Served

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Fulton

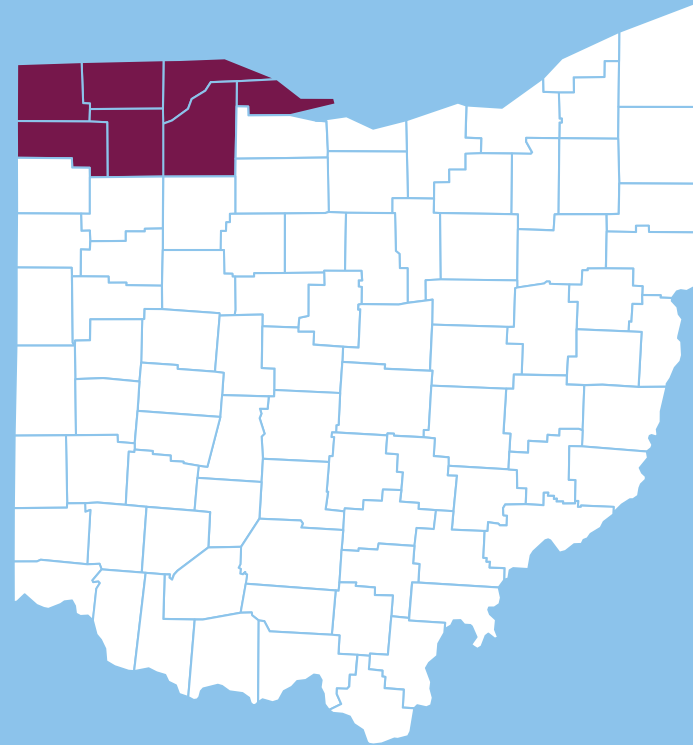
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OUR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

Community Living

Assistance Dogs

Advocacy

Youth & Transition

Information & Referral

YOUTH



Next Steps Summer Program

Our summer initiative prepares high school students with disabilities for the next phase of life.



Participants are paired with local job sites to master employability skills through paid work opportunities.



Students reside in a college dorm throughout the six-week program and gain valuable independent living skills including cooking, laundry, and time management.



Next Steps Summer Program

- Collaborate with Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities
- Two-way referrals
- Employment portion mirrors that of OOD's Summer Youth programs

SKILLS AND TOPICS COVERED

- Employment readiness
- Budgeting & Money Management
- Campus/Dorm safety
- Time-management
- Meal preparation
- Socialization & Recreation
- Responsibility
- Laundry & Housekeeping



Youth Leadership Forum



- **Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities'** Ohio Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) is a career leadership training program for 11th and 12th grade high school students with disabilities.
- In 2020, YLF expanded to provide five regional forums around the state including Toledo, Columbus, Dayton, Cleveland, Canton
- July 2020: held completely virtually, covering topics such as:
 - Experience of Disability
 - Technology & Resource to Reach Goals
 - Leading in my Community
 - Principles of Leadership
 - Living on My Own



Multi- Agency Planning (MAP) Team

One of the ongoing efforts sponsored by the Ohio Employment First Task Force is to improve community integrated employment for youth with disabilities. MAP (Multi Agency Planning) for employment is a strategic planning training and technical assistance process.

- The Ability Center
- Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities
- Lucas County Board of DD
- OCALI
- Toledo Public Schools
- Ohio Means Jobs
- State Support Team
- National Technical Assistance Center on Transition
- 2111 United Way

Independence

Equity

Inclusion

Education

Community

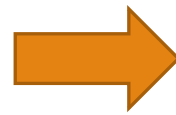
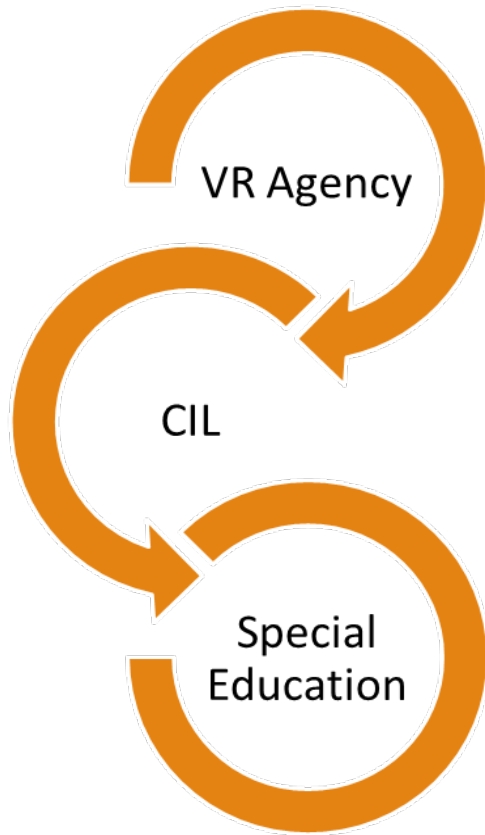
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Challenge



Connect with your partners and get to know each other!



Take the first step to set up a meeting!

Q&A for Panel Participants

- *Corinna Stiles*, PhD/JD, Director, Office of Independent Living Programs, Administration on Disabilities
- *Carol Dobak*, JD, Acting Deputy Commissioner, Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)/OSERS
- *David Guardino*, PhD, Associate Division Director, Research to Practice Division, Office of Special Education Programs OSEP/OSERS
- *Lisa Broseke*, Youth Employment Coordinator, The Ability Center, Sylvania, OH