One-Year Findings on the Use of Employment-Focused Services in YTD Projects

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Overview

- Services that promote employment are a core component of YTD
- We conducted implementation and impact analyses on use of services
- One-year findings are available for three early sites
 - Colorado: Colorado Win Partners
 - Erie County, NY: Erie 1 BOCES
 - Bronx, NY: CUNY



Receipt and Intensity of YTD Employment Services

- Individualized employment services included—
 - Career counseling
 - Support for resume writing and job searches
 - Job shadowing, apprenticeships/internships
 - Counseling on SSA benefits and work incentives

Service Type	CO	Erie	CUNY
Hours of employment	5	9	27
services			



Receipt and Intensity of YTD Non-Employment Services

- Non-employment services included—
 - Life-skills training
 - Education services
 - Help with accommodations
 - Referrals to health services
 - Transportation services
 - General case management

Service Type	CO	Erie	CUNY
Hours of non-employment	3	9	23
services			



Use of Work Incentives

- YTD participants could use five SSA waivers, which enhanced existing work incentives for SSI recipients
 - Earned-income exclusion (EIE)
 - Student earned-income exclusion
 - Section-301 waiver
 - Plan for achieving self-support
 - Individual development account
- EIE was the most used work incentive in CO and Erie; in CUNY, it was Section 301



YTD Projects Increased the Use of Services

	CO Treat- ment Mean	CO Impact	Erie Treat- ment Mean	Erie Impact	CUNY Treat- ment Mean	CUNY Impact
Used Any Employment Service	61.7	12.4*	66.3	13.7*	68.0	16.2*
Career counseling	35.3	7.4*	37.7	8.1*	44.2	8.8*
Resume writing/job search	32.7	5.2	38.6	15.3*	45.2	21.5*
Job shadowing, internship	16.2	-0.2	15.6	4.7*	11.3	6.4*
Benefits counseling	30.4	14.5*	33.8	13.5*	39.2	28.5*
Used Any Non-Employment Service	83.9	9.5*	81.5	8.4*	83.9	3.3

^{*} Estimated impact is statistically significant at least at the 10 percent level.



One-Year Impacts on Paid Employment Experience

Outcomes	CO Treat- ment Mean	CO Impact	Erie Treat- ment Mean	Erie Impact	CUNY Treat- ment Mean	CUNY Impact
Employed in paid job	34.4	1.3	43.6	2.9	32.7	9.7*
Employed in any (paid or unpaid) job	40.4	1.5	46.8	4.5	33.3	9.3*



^{*} Estimated impact is statistically significant at least at the 10 percent level.

Summary of One-Year Implementation and Impact Findings

- YTD projects offered employment and non-employment services
- YTD projects led to increased use of employment services
- One of the three early YTD projects increased youth's paid employment experience



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