Looking Beyond the Pandemic: Ways to Facilitate Growth and Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities Seeking or Retaining Employment

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A NOTE ABOUT THE PRESENTERS: In 2018, the Florida Developmental Disabilities Council funded the Florida DD Network Collaborative Leadership Program, a program designed to develop a diverse Cadre of current and emerging leaders with and without disabilities. Four leaders, Natalie Jean, Arizona Jenkins III, Mindy Stevens, and Wendy Vance, participated in Year 3 of the program, representing DD Network Partners, including Disability Rights Florida and the Florida Center for Inclusive Communities at the University of South Florida. Cadre Members also included leaders in statewide organizations and initiatives, including the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and New Horizon Support Group.

Between December 2020 and August 2021, the participating leaders worked collaboratively on this work. This presentation will provide a brief historical overview of the progress that has been made toward a more inclusive society and discuss actions that service providers can take to assist self-advocates in obtaining competitive and integrated employment and job retention.