

Supported Employment Services

A photograph of a middle-aged man with glasses and a plaid shirt, looking down at something in his hands. The background is blurred, suggesting an indoor setting like a workshop or office.

The Cantalician Center Supported Employment program provides individuals with supports and services to assist them in obtaining a job in the community. Supported Employment is funded through the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) and ACCES-VR.

The Cantalician Center has a long tradition of providing highly effective service to hundreds of people throughout Western New York. Our highly qualified team of professionals uses a person-centered planning process to develop, implement and maintain each person's Plan for Employment. The Supported Employment staff at the Cantalician Center works with people from the point of intake through the job search, intensive training and into the follow-along phase, when the person has attained independence and is considered successfully employed.

We are very interested in helping you find the right job for you! We have helped many people find full-time and part-time work in numerous types of positions, including food preparation, customer service, clerical work, health care, security work, assembly, production, maintenance, housekeeping and many more.

What are Supported Employment Services?

Individual Placement

- Finding the job that matches your interests and abilities, and providing supports to help you achieve stability.
- Providing follow-along services that help you attain long-term success in the job.

Once a desirable job match is identified, the Job Coach will provide training to help the individual become oriented to the work routine and environment. The Supported Employment program will continue to provide whatever supports are necessary to help the individual achieve a successful employment outcome.

Follow-Along Service

- On-going services provided to ensure long-term success on the job.
- Continues as long as needed.

School Transition

- Designed to help students successfully bridge the gap or move from high school to college or employment.
- Provides support to help students identify goals and to make them into a reality.
- Assists with skill development to achieve success in post-secondary life.

ACCES-VR Orientation

Several times each month, the Cantalician Center holds orientation sessions in the community, providing basic information about ACCES-VR services, and helps people with the application process.

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