



Application Instructions

Pathways to Careers (Pathways) is an employment program for **individuals with disabilities over the age of 18**. Each group of Pathways participants will have other criteria as well in order to participate. For example, for the group starting in the Spring of 2016, participants must be **in services with either the Boston or Braintree offices of the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission or the Department of Developmental Services, and have a primary diagnosis of intellectual or developmental disabilities, or be on the autism spectrum.**

Pathways programming includes the following activities:

- Ongoing career exploration, skills and interests identification process called Discovery;
- On the job learning opportunities through paid internships with different employers and job types, selected by the individual; and
- Other important employment supports and person-centered planning such as: benefits counseling, transportation coordination, training, accommodations and additional resources so that participants achieve long-term employment success.

Pathways is looking for individuals to participate in the **2016** program year who have intellectual/developmental disabilities or autism, are over the age of 18 who want to try out paid internships, are interested in learning more about their personal employment goals and are ready to achieve them!

Individuals who are selected to participate in this program year will begin in **late spring/early summer of 2016**.

If you are interested in participating in ***Pathways***, please complete the enclosed forms and return them by **Tuesday May 10, 2016**. Please include:

- 1) The completed **Application Form**.
- 2) The completed and signed **Consent Form Signature Page (Section 4)**. You may keep the consent form information pages, but please return the signature page.

Please use the enclosed postage-paid envelope, or mail, fax, or scan-to-email forms to:

- Address: 25 Beach Street, Dorchester MA 02122-2734
- Fax: 617-691-1519
- Email: kpiccio@workinc.org

If you would like more information about ***Pathways***, please visit our website www.pathwaystocareers.org or call Kristen Piccolo, Pathways Career Navigator, at 617-691-1707.