



## Planning for Employment in Recovery

### Continuing Education Learning Series

The **SAMHSA Program to Advance Recovery Knowledge (SPARK)** is offering a webinar series for certified peer workers on supporting employment-related goals in recovery. Attendees receive certificates that may be used for **continuing education credit** for peer recertification.

Each 60-minute webinar is **FREE** and registration links are below! Register for one or more. Questions? Email us at [spark@c4innovates.com](mailto:spark@c4innovates.com)

#### **Building Short- and Long-term Employment Goals into Recovery Action Plans** **June 24, 2025, 3-4 pm Eastern**

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Employment is a key factor in long-term recovery. This webinar will equip peer recovery support professionals with tools to help individuals set meaningful employment goals within their personalized recovery action plans. Participants will explore practical strategies, common barriers, and workforce resources that support career success for individuals in recovery.

#### **Supporting People with Criminal Convictions to Navigate Applications & Interviews** **July 15, 2025, 10-11 am Eastern**

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This webinar provides guidance for supporting justice-impacted individuals navigating the job application and interview process. Attendees will gain strategies to develop strong resumes, handle interview questions about criminal history, and utilize networking to enhance employment opportunities. This session will also cover the importance of letters of explanation, understanding fair-chance hiring policies, securing stop-gap jobs, and building long-term career strategies.

#### **Seeking Reasonable Workplace Accommodations for People in Recovery** **August 19, 2025, 10-11 am Eastern**

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People in remission from chronic, treatable conditions such as substance use or MH disorders may seek flexibility from current or future employers to help them sustain wellness in recovery. Job seekers may need a reasonable accommodation to increase their ability to perform their role at work. This webinar provides an overview of how the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) clarifies employer obligations and reduces barriers to job opportunities based on health conditions.

#### **Impact of Earned Income on Social Security Disability (SSDI) and SSI Benefits** **Sept 9, 2025, 3-4 pm Eastern**

[https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_NKL0o596TmO7nCO6cNgF3w](https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_NKL0o596TmO7nCO6cNgF3w)

People receiving disability payments may wish to try working and increasing their financial independence, but are often concerned that work is not allowed or will cancel their benefits. In reality, the Social Security Administration (SSA), which approves disability benefits, recognizes that employment is important for individual physical and mental health and supports people to be successful in the workplace. In this webinar, the presenters will give an overview of disability programs such as SSI and SSDI and explain how earned income can impact those benefits as well as related Medicaid or Medicare health benefits.