Employment Services for Mental Health

DESCRIPTION
VCP network agencies provide employment services to youth and adult clients who have mental health challenges that can get in the way of finding and maintaining a job.

The JOBS [Jump On Board for Success] Program for youth and the Individualized Placement and Supports [IPS] model for adults with mental illness support the development of an individualized plan to help clients find a good match for their interests and skills. Agencies also refer to and collaborate with Vocational Rehabilitation services.

IN FY22, AGENCIES PROVIDED EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT TO:

• 424 clients in adult employment services, primarily adults with serious mental illness
• 216 young adults in the J.O.B.S (Jumping on Board for Success) Program
• 21% of adult clients with serious mental illness received an evidenced-based supported employment intervention, compared to 2% nationally, in FY21

IN FY22:

• 21% of adults served in network agency programs for people with serious mental illness achieved employment, up from 19% in FY21
• Of the subset of clients who received at least one employment service using the Individual Placement and Supports model, their average rate of employment was 39%, up from 34% in FY21
• Of the clients who received six or more employment services, their average rate of employment reached 59%, up from 50% in FY21