

To: All BRS Community Rehabilitation Providers

From: Christine Robinson, Director of Quality Assurance, Bureau of Rehabilitation Services

Re: Additional Certifications Accepted for Job Coaches and Employment Specialists Serving BRS Clients

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Please be advised of the following additional certifications that will be accepted by BRS:

1.) Job Coaches

The Direct Support Professional-Work Supports certification is now an accepted certification for individuals providing job coaching services to BRS clients.

The training for Work Supports includes completing the DSP on line modules and the 11 live classroom sessions of the College of Direct Support (CDS) plus 6 additional CDS employment related modules.

Note—this training is only available to individuals working for an agency providing MaineCare Section 21 or 29 services.

For more information go to:

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/provider/developmental-services/college-of-direct-support.html>

or contact Linda Majka or Chelsea Brown, Policy and Compliance Specialists at the Office of Aging and Disability Services at

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2.) Employment Specialists

Individuals with an active certification as a Certified Employment Support Professional (CESP) are automatically qualified as a Certified Employment Specialist.

For more information on this certification go to www.apse.org