

Questions to Ask Supported Employment Providers

1.	What are the eligibility requirements for services?	_
2.	How do I apply for services?	_
3.	Does your agency have a waiting list? If so, how long?	
4.	What service do you provide?	
	a. Assessment Yes No	
	b. Job development Yes No	
	c. Job support Yes No	
	d. Training classes Yes No	
	i. Specify type(s)	
	ii. Are they group classes?	
	iii. Are they individual classes?	
	e. Transportation Yes No	
	i. Type of transportation	
	f. Community recreation Yes No	
	g. Community access Yes No	
	h. Advocacy Yes No	
	i. Other	

5.	Are your services time-limited? Please explain.
6.	Are there ways your agency and local schools can work together to ensure a smooth transition?
7.	If I need job accommodations or assistive technology, do you provide these services? Specify types
8.	If I graduate with a job, would it be easier to provide services than if I still need support to find and learn job?
9.	How many staff work in your agency?
	a. How many clients does each staff member have?
10.	What if I lose my job? Will I stay with your agency?
11.	How long does it generally take to assist someone in getting a job?
12.	What is the average pay for clients who get a job through your agency?
13.	What is the retention rate in jobs for clients who get jobs through your agency?
14.	Does your agency work with anyone interested in working regardless of his / her disability?
15.	Does your agency provide support before 9:00am and after 5:00pm? On weekends?
16.	Does your agency find permanent jobs in the community?
17.	Does your agency determine what a good job is for clients?

18.	How does your agency terminate services?	
19.	Does your agency provide benefits counseling (if I receive social security income (SSI) or social security benefits (SSD) (https://www.social-security-disability-claims.org)? Yes No	curit
20.	Does your agency look at advancement in jobs beyond entry-level work?	
21.	How do you obtain input and maintain communication with the client and family members?	
22.	Can I get a tour of your agency?	
23.	Can I talk with some individuals with disabilities who have used your services?	
24.	Do you have literature?	
	a. Brochure	
	b. Website	
	c. Other literature	

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