



## Disability and Employment Boot Camp Application

Please see the [Disability and Employment Boot Camp Announcement](#) before completing this application.

The goal of this Disability and Employment technical assistance initiative is to produce a team derived “workable solution” to an identified disability and employment challenge in one of two disability and employment focus areas, emphasizing effective strategies to support American Job Centers in either:

- Providing services to individuals with disabilities; or
- Engaging business to promote employment of individuals with disabilities.

A workable solution is one that has a high probability of being implemented and shared as a promising practice with other states or American Job Centers (AJCs) facing a similar challenge. Your team will receive training in a learning inquiry process then direct support from an expert coach as you research, test, and fine-tune your approach.

To submit your application, please complete the questions below and submit through this [link](#) by **COB Friday, September 11, 2020**. If you encounter technical issues with the application, please email Monica Melville at [mmelville@mahernet.com](mailto:mmelville@mahernet.com).

1. Name and contact information of person submitting the application.
  - a. Name
  - b. Title
  - c. Organization
  - d. Role in Organization
  - e. City/Town
  - f. State
  - g. Select the Area Represented
    - i. Rural
    - ii. Urban
    - iii. Suburban
  - h. Email
  - i. Phone Number
  - j. Team Lead?
    - i. Yes
    - ii. No
2. Indicate which topic your team will work on as a deep dive project. Choose one option from the list below.
  - a. Provide services to individuals with disabilities
  - b. Engage business to promote employment of individuals with disabilities

3. Name and contact information of your team members. You may identify between 5 and 7 individuals who are available to commit up to 10 hours per month for the Boot Camp.
  - a. Name
  - b. Title
  - c. Organization
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  - e. City/Town
  - f. State
  - g. Email
  - h. Phone Number
  
4. Describe 1-2 challenges aligned with your selected focus area that your team is currently facing and wishes to work through. (Open-ended response)
  
5. Are there currently initiatives/grants in your state or region already in place to address, study or mitigate these challenges? Select one option from the list below.
  - a. Yes (If selected, applicants will answer 5a.)
  - b. No (If selected, applicants will answer 5b.)

5a. If yes, describe and explain how might your team coordinate, scale up, or inform that effort through this opportunity? (Open-ended question)

5b. If no, will your team have the ability to study, inform and test a potential workable solution through this opportunity? How might this opportunity jumpstart your program to address the selected topic? (Open-ended question)
  
6. What sources of funding (state, local, grants, partners, federal emergency funds) for support might be currently available to support your exploration and “testing” of a workable solution to your challenge(s)? (Open-ended question)
  
7. Will a lack of funding, impede your efforts? Select one option from the list below.
  - a. Yes (If selected, applicants will answer 7a.)
  - b. No (If selected, applicants will answer 7b.)

7a. If yes, please explain why? (Open-ended question)

7b. If no, please explain why not? (Open-ended question)