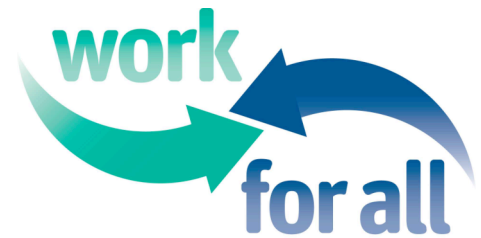


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PRESS RELEASE

New Website Helps Businesses Tap Under Used Talent Pool

Olympia, May 21, 2009: Employing people with disabilities makes good business sense. Strong human capital strategies -- including recruiting, hiring and retaining employees with disabilities -- are critical to maintaining economic competitiveness.

Work for All -- a program to communicate the HR advantages of hiring individuals with disabilities and connect employers with related resources -- has launched a new website. The website includes resources about...

- Assistance in recruiting, pre-screening and hiring qualified candidates
- Job performance, attendance, and retention
- Benefits to a company's productivity/bottom line
- Reducing staff turnover
- Worksite modification and job accommodations
- Tax credits, deductions, financial incentives
- Success stories from other businesses

One such resource is the WA State Dept. of Vocation Rehabilitation. "We've helped thousands of employers reduce the money and time they spend recruiting, selecting and training new employees while helping them build a more committed, more qualified and more diverse workforce," said department Director Lynnae Rutledge.

Individuals with disabilities are a talented and capable part of the employment pool. Their inclusion in the workforce is proven to enhance innovation, and innovation in turn creates greater competitive advantage.

Work for All serves the five county area covered by the Pacific Mountain Alliance for Innovation WIRED, a major funder for the project; they are Thurston, Lewis, Mason, Pacific and Grays Harbor counties. Work for All is being developed in cooperation with Morningside, the WA State Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, and Chambers regionally, including the Thurston County, Grays Harbor, North Mason, and Centralia-Chehalis Chambers of Commerce.

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