

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SCHOOL
COMMITTEE FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS IN RESEARCH**

FACT SHEET

Title: Which Dissemination Approach Best Reaches NIDILRR Stakeholders: A Comparative Effectiveness Study (STUDY number H00022291)

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Sponsor: National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)

- A. We are inviting you to participate in a research study.
- B. Taking part in this research is voluntary and completely up to you. You are free to say no or to leave the research at any time. There will be no penalties or changes in the quality of the health care you receive, and you will not lose any benefits to which you are otherwise entitled.
- C. The purpose of this study is to compare the reach of three (3) different products (video, research brief, and webinar) that share study results among disability employment service providers and disability employment policymakers/advocates.
- D. If you agree to participate, you will be offered to either watch a video, read a research brief, or participate in a webinar on study findings by random selection. You will be asked to answer an online survey with questions about your satisfaction with the modality used. Your participation will take no more than 1.5 hours of your time. We will collect some information about the people who enroll in the study (e.g., name, age, gender, education level, state). In all other ways, your responses and information will be kept confidential, including from your employer. All results from this study will be reported in aggregate, no individual will be personally identified.
- E. There is a slight risk that someone could get access to the information about you and misuse it. To help protect your personal information, we will store your name separately from your research data and code your research data with a subject ID. We will keep electronic information on secure computer networks with access available to research study staff only. These computer networks have many levels of protection.
- F. There is no limit on the length of time we will store your data. We will destroy the list that links your identity to your data three years after completion of the research.
- G. It is possible that we might use the research data in other future research. We may also share data with researchers and companies that are not part of UMass Chan. In these cases, we will not share your name or other information that identifies you directly, and we will not come back to you to ask you for your consent.
- H. The research data (whether linked to you or with identifiers removed) will not lead to commercial profit. In the event it does, there are no plans to share any financial gain with you.
- I. Your participation will help us to gain knowledge about the best way to communicate the results and information from NIDILRR-funded employment research. Ultimately this will

be used to improve the employment outcomes of people with disabilities. However, there is no direct benefit to you.

- J. As a thank you for your participation, you will receive a commendation certificate of participation and up to \$50 in gift cards.
- K. It may be several years before the results of the research are available. If you would like us to try to reach you at that time, please let us know. We will ask for your contact information.
- L. We will try to limit access to your personal information to people who have a need to review this information. We cannot promise complete privacy. The UMass Chan Medical School, including the Institutional Review Board (IRB) and research, billing, and compliance offices, may see your information. The National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR), the group that funds the study, may ask to audit the study records.
- M. The UMass Chan Medical School does not provide funds for the treatment of research-related injury. If you are injured as a result of your participation in this study, treatment will be provided. You or your insurance carrier will be expected to pay the costs of this treatment. No additional financial compensation for injury or lost wages is available. You do not give up any of your legal rights by participating in this research.
- N. If you have any questions, concerns, or complaints, or think that the research has hurt you, you can talk to the Principal Investigator at Marsha.Ellison@umassmed.edu or 508-856-2816 or the Project Director at Deirdre.Logan@umassmed.edu. This research has been reviewed and approved by an Institutional Review Board. You can reach them at (508) 856-4261 or irb@umassmed.edu if you would prefer to speak with someone not associated with the study or have questions about your rights as a research subject.