

New England TACE Center (Region 1)

The Institute for Community Inclusion (ICI), with its partner Assumption College, comprise the New England TACE Center (Region 1). The TACE center responds to the continuing education or training needs as well as the technical assistance (TA) needs of the ten New England state vocational rehabilitation agencies and their partners in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

Funded and guided by the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA), the center addresses the agencies' specific and pertinent training and TA needs to improve practices and policies resulting in employment.

Nationally, the TACE Centers combined and replaced the two (VR and CRP) Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs (RCEP) in each of the ten regions. In New England, ICI hosted the CRP RCEP, and Assumption College the VR RCEP. By combining the resources of both of these organizations, the TACE center brings extensive experience and expertise in developing, delivering and brokering competency-based TA and training for vocational rehabilitation and their partner agencies.

The goals of the TACE Center are to:

- ◆ Contribute to the improved quality of VR services and help increase effectiveness and efficiency of state VR agencies and their partners in delivering VR services
- ◆ Help improve the quantity and quality of VR employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities.

To meet the goals, the center engages in an annual needs assessment process with the state agencies and their partners and then individually works with the agencies to develop work plans specifying technical assistance or training interventions that will help improve performance. The center maintains a website which contains a training calendar and print resources on a wide array of topics of interest to a VR or CRP audience.

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