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UW LEND Trainee – Leadership Project Proposal

Program: Seattle Children's Alyssa Burnett Adult Life Center (ABC)

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Project Title: Assessment of opportunities within the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation Service for center providing lifelong learning services for adults with IDD

Describe the Need:
The ABC provides lifelong learning, community and recreational services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Approximately 80% of participants are Developmental Disabilty Administration (DDA) eligible and use these benefits to pay for services. The Department of Vocational Rehabilitation offers ample opportunities for adults with IDD with a wide variety of contracts. This project will develop an assessment of different DVR contracts and a recommendation for the ABC that could be implemented at the center to provide more opportunities for adults with IDD.

Brief Description of Proposed Project:
In collaboration with project advisor, this project would develope a literature review and recommendations of DVR contracts and service lines that the ABC should consider implementing. These services should complement the program while helping to fill the gaps in service opportunities. The assessment would focus on DVR from Snohomish and King Counties.

Project Goal and/or Desired Outcome:
Results from the assessment will be used to inform ABC leadership of DVR contracts and service lines that may be a good programatic fit to the center and it's community. The project will include participation at the ABC through observing in classes and engaging with participants will help shape the recommendations for gaps in services that match DVR contracts and funding opportunities.

Proposed Roles/Responsibilities of the UW LEND Trainee(s): *Include number of trainees desired*
1-2 trainees to review DVR services and contracts and provide a recommendation to the ABC. This project will include observation/participation at the ABC to understand the program and center's needs, informational interviews with DVR, and independent work.

List Any Desired Trainee Prior Experiences or Skills:
Experience and/or interest in supporting adults with IDD.

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