

Community Counts! Panel Member Description

Title: Panel Member

Status: Independent Contractor

Program Description: Community Counts! A Diversity Partnership Program – Strengthening Our Community to Include People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD), funded by Denver Human Services Mill Levy and coordinated by CTAT, LLC, will facilitate inclusive opportunities for Denver residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities through curriculum design and delivery, outreach, and program consultation for organizations, businesses, and clubs in the Denver Metro area. The program will contract with up to 15 adults with I/DD to receive presentation skills training, and upon completion, be eligible to serve as a panel member for trainings on:

1) Diversity and Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities" class for community members who are interested in expanding their knowledge of the diagnosis of Intellectual and Development Disabilities (I/DD) and various life experiences of people with I/DD.

2) "Inclusion in Employment" for employers and potential employers of jobseekers with I/DD.

3) "Inclusion and Engagement in Community Life" for a variety of community organizations striving to be more inclusive of people with disabilities, and specifically people with I/DD.

4) "Access to Community Services" for a variety of community service providers, such as transportation, housing, builders, health/medical with a desire to provide improved access to their services.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

1) Participate in "Presentation Skills: Telling Your Story" to help prepare to present at the other training classes, similar to a Train-the-Trainer class. This four hour course will be offered 2 times, on February 6 and February 13, 2020, 10 am – 2 pm. Each trainee will receive a \$50 stipend for participating in the class. Lunch will be served.

2) Sign up for and participate as a panel member in approximately three training sessions depending on interest and availability from March 2020 – January 2021. Each panel member will be paid a flat fee of \$120 for their time, and transportation/parking costs per session that they participate in.

Qualifications:

Comfortable working in team environment

Ability and willingness to effectively communicate verbally, with an assisted device and/or in writing

Willingness to be a self-advocate and an ambassador for inclusion

Have reliable transportation to and from training sessions

The majority of the panel members must be current residents of the City and County of Denver.

Age 18 or older

If you are interested in being a panel member, complete the attached application form and fax (720)904-1725 or email to <u>icohen@ctatllc.com</u> by Tuesday, January 28th. We approximately 15 "slots" to fill, so please get your application in as soon as possible so we can confirm your spot. If you have questions, please call us at (720)389-0670.