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UCP of Long Island Celebrates National Disability Employment Awareness Month



Hauppauge, NY – October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM), a month long opportunity to educate our community about disability employment issues and celebrate the many contributions of American workers with disabilities.

“It is extremely important for small businesses and corporations to recognize the skills and diversity people with disabilities bring to their workforce,” said Patricia Caso, Director of UCP of Long Island Adult Services including The Employment Connection.

The Employment Connection at UCP of Long Island provides employment-related services leading to competitive community employment for people with disabilities. The Employment Connection assists individuals in preparing for employment while still in school, find jobs based on their specific skills and interests, practice interview skills and change careers due to an acquired disability. Workers are offered job coaches who will supplement newly hired employees as they acclimate into their new workforce culture.

For more information on The Employment Connection visit theemploymentconnection.com.

*For over 65 years, UCP of Long Island has been committed to advancing the independence, productivity, and full citizenship of people with disabilities by creating **Life Without Limits**. UCP of Long Island provides programs and services to children and adults with disabilities annually. The Children’s Center at UCP of Long Island offers early intervention, preschool and school aged programs. The agency provides Adult Day services which include Day Treatment, Day Habilitation and Respite programs, and job training and placement services. In addition, UCP of Long Island has 31 residences and a 12-unit apartment complex in Suffolk County for individuals with disabilities.*