

The Informer

DRTC

Ability at Work

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HB 1833 to Take Effect in 2025

HB1833, which would create a task force to develop a plan to phase out the use of paying subminimum wages to people living with disabilities under the 14(c) certificate issued through the US Dept. of Labor Wage and Hour Division, will become law on November 1.

Lawmakers in both the Oklahoma House and Senate approved the measure, which will create an 11-member task force. This task force will examine potential negative impacts of phasing out subminimum wages, and develop a plan that includes options for those who do not wish to transition to community integrated employment, along with a proposed timeline to phase out the payment of subminimum wages in Oklahoma.

The task force will issue a final report of their findings and recommendations to state officials by January 1, 2028.

HB 1833 Becomes Law

- **Creates 11-member task force**
- **Evaluates 14(c) certificate use**
- **Recommend plan to phase out subminimum wages**
- **Effective November 1, 2025**
- **Final report due 2028**

Guardian Lunch and Learn



Guests at a previous Lunch and Learn tour

Family members, caregivers and guardians are invited to a Lunch and Learn to hear how DRTC plans to phase out the use of subminimum wages. There are things you can do now to prepare for this move. There will only be three Lunch and Learn opportunities, with limited availability. There will only be 15 spaces per luncheon. Call Sierra at 405-946-4489 ext 1432 or email scarney@drtc.org to sign up for one of the following dates:

Thursday, September 25, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Thursday, October, 23 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Thursday, November, 20 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.



Safety

All individuals and some caregivers have badges to enter the building where they work in. Please do not, for any reason, let anyone else into the building. This is to ensure the safety of all our staff and individuals. Anyone needing access to DRTC has a badge to enter. If you have lost your badge, please reach out to your case manager. We appreciate your diligence to help us keep everyone at DRTC safe.

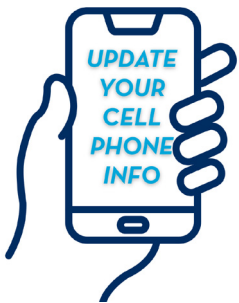
End of the Fiscal Year Party

Our new fiscal year begins July 1. On Friday, June 27, we will celebrate the new fiscal year by going to the Council Road Baptist Church CUBE. We will have pizza for lunch (please note only two slices per person, so if you need more to eat, bring a snack or lunch). We will also recognize those who have recently completed the DRTC Academy and present them with their certificate and check. Lastly, our ACT committee is hosting a talent show! Those interested in participating in the talent show need to complete a form and submit it to Rochatto. It will be a fun day!



The ACT Committee at last year's party

Update Your Information



Families, caregivers, and clients, please update your cell phone information so you can be sure to get agency alerts. We send out information through a text message so if we don't have your cell phone number, you might be missing information!

Agency Closures:

June 30 - New Program Year Preparation

July 1 - Agency Orientation Day

July 4 - Holiday

Helpful Resources:

ouhsc.edu/thecenter/Publications/Focus-Facts

oklahoma.gov/ddco

Thank you!