RETAIN State Directors' Community of Practice



Session One

RETAIN

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Retaining Employment and Talent After Injury/Illness Network





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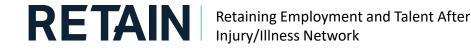




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Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Purpose
- CoP Topics
- CoP Structure
- Next Steps



In one minute or less... tell us

- State Program
- Name and Title
- Length of time with your state's RETAIN program
- What job did you do before RETAIN?



JamBoard

• Practice Question: What's your favorite hobby?



JamBoard

 What do you NOT want the "Community of Practice for State Directors" to be?



Purpose

- Connecting and building relationships with other state directors;
- Sharing best practices, challenges, and thought partnerships
 - program implementation,
 - o policy,
 - o processes, and
 - o stakeholder engagement;
- Identifying new strategies to overcome challenges or enhance existing efforts; and
- Receiving support and information relevant to your work from SMEs and each other.



Taking a Deeper Dive... Where to Start?





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Taking a Deeper Dive ... 3 Questions

- What are your areas of concern and/or challenges?
- What best practices do you want to explore?
- What are we missing?



Structure of Future CoP's

- Who?
- What?
- How?



Next Steps

- Office Hours with Leslie and Derek
- Scheduling future COPs

