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SUPPORTED EDUCATION

Helping people with
mental illness return
to school



What is Supported Education?

Supported Education helps people with psychiatric disabilities begin or return to school so they may receive education and training to achieve their recovery goals and develop a career path.

Supported Education specialists help consumers to set their education goals, navigate the college system, and support them through the educational process in order to achieve success and become gainfully employed.

“Supported Education is significantly and positively related to successful employment”

What services are provided?

- Help selecting an educational goal
- Assistance registering for classes
- Support applying for financial aid
- Monitoring of student progress

What accommodations are available?

- Extended time for exams and assignments
- Changes in exam format and assignments
- Tutoring
- Note-taking assistance

How does Supported Education work?

- Access – Consumers have access to any available education program for which they qualify.

- Eligibility – All consumers who choose to return to school are eligible for services.
- Immediacy – Services begin soon after the consumer expresses interest.
- Integration – Supported Education services can be developed as part of a treatment plan.
- Continuity – Support is available for as long as needed.
- Choice – Services are consumer driven.
- Recovery – Meaningful roles are promoted and supported.
- Outcomes – Returning to school often leads to greater satisfaction with life, better jobs, and more independence.

To get started:

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