Further Education

CBS Work Ready Program

A community based program designed to assist potential school leavers to be better prepared for their working future. For year 10-12 students.

The program involves team building, social skills development and intensive vocational preparation skills such as interview techniques, telephone skills, resumes and use of the Career Voyage vocational assessment tool.

For further information contact:
T 08 8224 2900
E cbs@cbsinc.org.au

Literacy and Numeracy

Offers various levels of literacy, numeracy and life skills training and can be used as
a stepping stone to other mainstream TAFE programs. Students do modules of Certificate 1 in Introductory Vocational Education.

Includes the program: What's on *your* i-pod.

For further information and how this can connect to other CBS programs, contact:

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Work, Social Inclusion and Community Development Program

A two day education program for CBS staff, volunteers and people working or interested in working with people who have a disability, illness, injury or disadvantage.

This program has been designed to assist people looking for work in the fields of recreation or employment services, and has been running for 15 years.

The program is an initiative of CBS.

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Community Bridging Services is for any person regardless of disability, age, sex, race.

Consultancy to the community

CBS provides consultancy and support to individuals and agencies

- programs for staff development
- presentations/ lectures
- seminars/ workshops
- project work
- establishing new programs

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AN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE

Jobnet Employment Program

The **Jobnet Employment Program** assists people with a disability, illness, injury and/or disadvantage to find and maintain open employment.

Jobnet is funded by the Commonwealth Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR).

The Jobnet Employment Program provides:

- 1:1 case management and support
- education and training
- resume development
- career planning
- work trials
- job search
- job placement and on-the-job support
- post-placement support
- personal development
- Career Voyage vocational assessment tool
- social activities.

Who are Jobnet job seekers?

Jobnet job seekers are:

- assessed as eligible for Disability Employment Services meaning either Employment Support Services (ESS) or Disability Management Services (DMS), or Job Services Australia (JSA).
- seeking work in open employment
- motivated to work and achieve success.

Jobnet Employment Programs are provided in the following regions

Adelaide Metropolitan

Southern Yorke Peninsula

Mid North/Northern Yorke Peninsula

Riverland

Eastern Murray Mallee/ Murraylands

Port Lincoln

Ceduna

Alice Springs

Jobnet can assist you to find employment by developing your strengths and interests.

You will have an Employment Pathway Plan (EPP) developed in consultation with you. This plan allows you to develop your goals and sets out how to achieve them.

You can receive pre-employment training, job search, job support and career planning from **Jobnet**.

People with a disability bring a range of skills, abilities and qualifications to the workplace. Many businesses already employ people with a disability and have enjoyed the positive benefits of doing so. For employers, Jobnet is available to provide you with support to employ someone with a disability.

As an employer you:

- have the opportunity to assess a job seeker's suitability through a no obligation work trial
- have access to a free recruitment service
- receive ongoing support by Jobnet staff including providing on the job support if required
- have an employee who is motivated to work.

What JOBNET will do

Jobnet will provide free assistance and support for employers in:

- negotiating employment subsidies e.g. Wage Subsidies, Supported Wage System
- arranging workplace modifications
- arranging insurance for unpaid work trial placements
- assisting in enhancing skill development with ongoing training
- paid work trials.

Job seekers have been employed as

Call centre operators, kitchenhands, market gardeners/horticulturalists, apprentices/trainees, waiters, storepersons/ packers, receptionists, car detailers, farmhands, recyclers, factory hands, retail workers, food process workers, bank officers, security officers, labourers and more.

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Choices®

Recreation and skill development for people with a disability

Choices® is a day option with the goals to:

- have fun
- develop independence
- make choices
- develop your potential
- meet people, make friends and go places
- develop new skills
- increase your self esteem through positive experiences
- improve your personal development.

Choices® was developed in 1993 by Freddie Brincat, Executive Director of Community Bridging Services (CBS) Inc. due to a need for culturally productive and meaningful recreation and skill development activities for people with a disability.

Who takes part in Choices®?

Participants are people with a disability who enjoy recreation and learning.

Small groups use local neighbourhood houses and community centres as a program base.

Choices® groups respond to individual needs with most groups having the support of two to three staff.

Choices® assists people to develop networks, make friends, make decisions and enjoy their experiences.

The program provides participants, some who use a wheelchair, with at least one day per fortnight and up to five days per week of enjoyable experiences.

Recreation and community inclusion develop independence, confidence and social skills.

Our staff plan each activity in consultation with participants and carers.

A combination of regular and occasional experiences are organised eg:

- swimming
- movies
- museums
- art galleries
- restaurants

Activities are also provided at the program base with the assistance of other professionals and community support services eg:

- cooking
- music
- art
- massage

Transport is available to each group.

Programs are located throughout Adelaide.

Communication diaries

Program participants are encouraged to bring along a diary or communication book to keep a record of their experiences. Choices® staff record experiences and pass on in writing relevant information to carers.

This provides regular two-way communication between Choices® staff and carers/ parents.

Community Recreation/ Skill Development

CBS provides the opportunity for individuals to increase their life opportunities through a range of recreational experiences:

- craft
- Westenders social group.

Art

Under the direction of a professional artist, explore various media which can be used in artistic expression. Regular exhibitions occur.

Independent Living Programs

Develop the ability to prepare a variety of meals using a range of appliances and relevant processes. Be involved in shopping for groceries and preparing a meal to be eaten at the end of the session.

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Staff

All staff have completed the Community Bridging Services (CBS) Inc. Work, Social Inclusion and Community Development Program and hold a current First Aid Certificate. National Police Clearances are conducted on all staff prior to employment.

Additional training is regularly provided to staff, eg.

- medication administration
- manual handling
- managing challenging behaviours
- duty of care
- Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare
- Disability Awareness
- counselling.