# EMBRACE CHANGE AND GROW

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# "All great changes are preceded by chaos"

# Deepak Chopra

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"WE'VE REACHED THE END OF INCREMENTALISM. ONLY THOSE COMPANIES THAT ARE CAPABLE OF CREATING INDUSTRY REVOLUTIONS WILL PROSPER IN THE NEW ECONOMY."

— Business strategy and management expert Gary Hamel



## THE WINDS OF CHANGE

• Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

- Defines competitive, integrated employment and customized employment for the first time
- Pre-employment transition services 15% of VR expenditures and mandated coordination, outlining core services
- Systems updates and accountability
- Protections against subminimum wage employment
- Increasing Competitive Integrated Employment Advisory Committee
- Employment First
- US Department of Justice and Olmstead
- US Department of Labor and the ODEP Increasing Competitive Integrated Employment for Individuals with Disabilities
- Center on Medicaid and Medicare Services and State Transition Plans

## Advisory Committee on Increasing Competitive Integrated Employment of Individuals with disabilities

- <u>Transition</u>: Early work experience, postsecondary options, family expectations, seamless transition, professional supports and incentives
- <u>Complexity and needs</u>: Alignment across agencies, funding rules that match, address benefit issues, increase knowledge of effective practices, improve accountability
- <u>Employer and business model</u>: Hiring as good business, culture of inclusion in the workplace, partnerships with business and providers and government, provider competencies, transportation
- <u>State and local capacity</u>: Use of HCBS Waiver, data systems, innovations, professional development, funding for organizational transformation
- <u>14 C</u>: Better data, improving monitoring and oversight, align with modern practices, phase out, technical assistance to reduce reliance; address unintended consequences

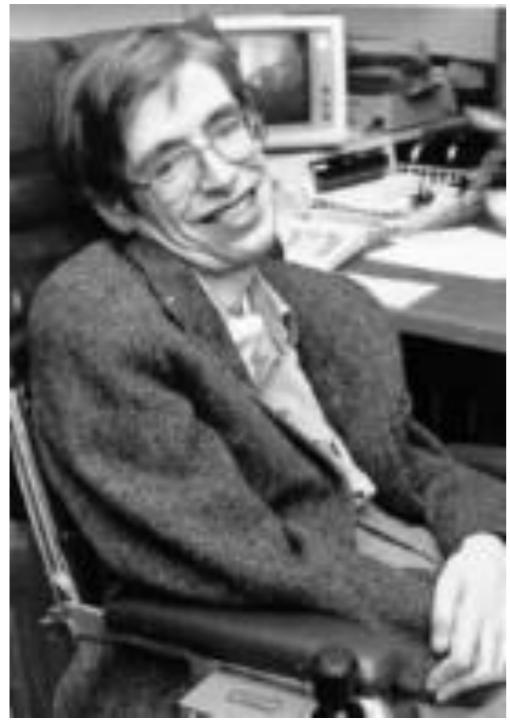
• http://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/WIOA.htm.

# WHY HAS THERE BEEN LITTLE REAL CHANGE?

• Disability as part of US employment policy

- 0.5% exit rate from SSA programs
- Only 4.8% of those in SSA programs in VRS
- Only 1% of total disability related expenditures are for employment
- Best practices are not encouraged
- Program evaluation of models not focused on employment as an outcome
- The goals for employment are unclear nationally
- But the biggest reason>>>>

#### EXPECTATIONS



"My expectations were reduced to zero when I was 21. Everything since then has been a bonus."

# Stephen Hawking, 2004

## **RAISING EXPECTATIONS**

- 1 in 10 youth with disabilities do not consider themselves to be useful or important
- Most think they will graduate but are less confident they will go to post secondary school
- Most expect to get a job but don't think it will allow them to be independent
- Most think they will live independently but of those who do not, half do not expect to live away from home even with support
- Youth tend to hold higher expectations for themselves than their parents; youth are more likely to hold high expectations if parents do
- Most educators believe setting high expectations is important yet only 36% responded that all students have the ability to succeed.
- Parents and friends are the number 1 and 2 sources of information and support for students.

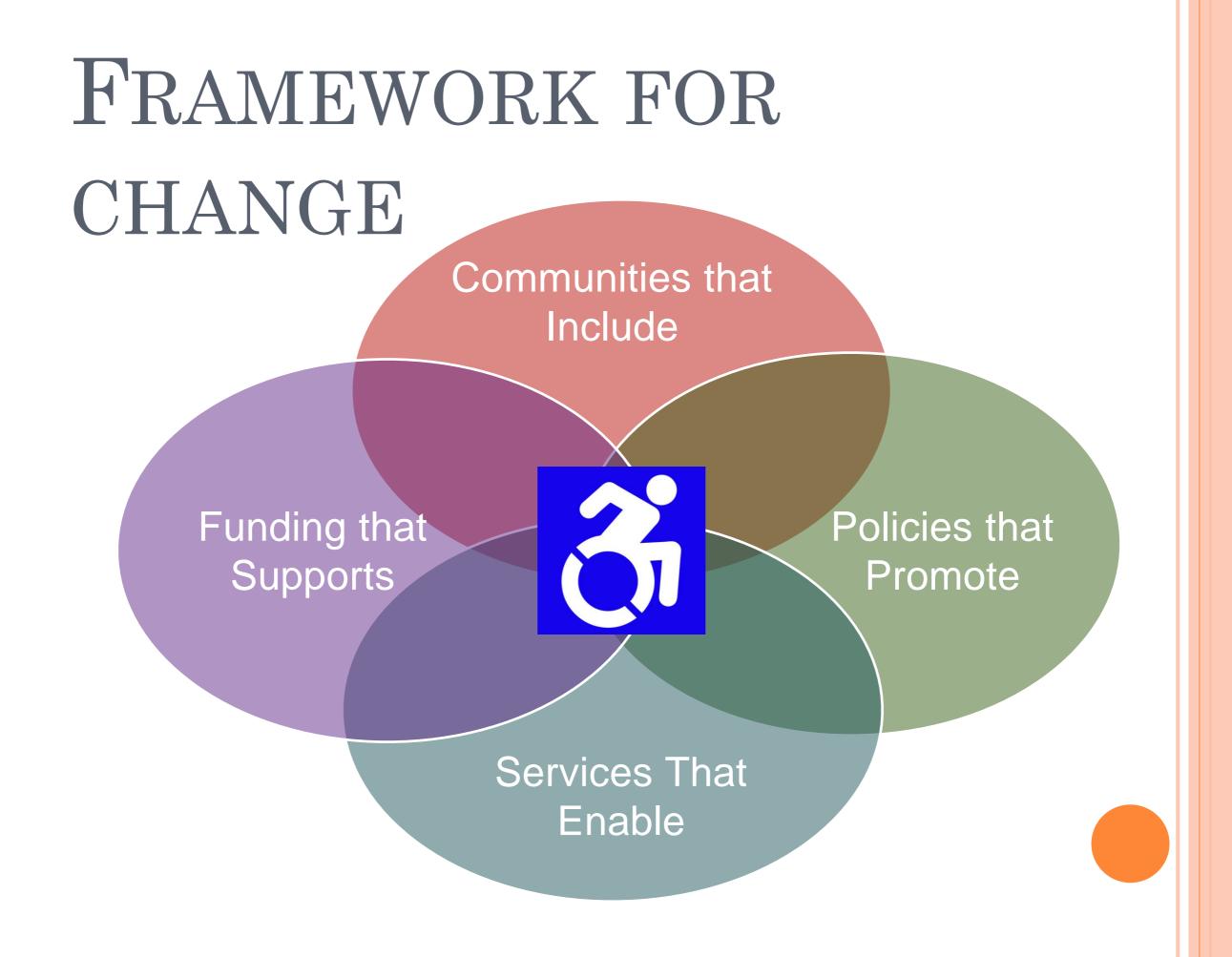
IF YOU HEAR A VOICE WITHIN YOU SAY "YOU CANNOT PAINT" THEN BY ALL MEANS PAINT AND THAT VOICE WILL BE SILENCED. VAN GOGH



#### Advice from an Expert

- Keep moving forward and whoever says you have to be the same as everyone else, just failed.
  - Adria Nassim, columnist and LIFEDesigns Board member

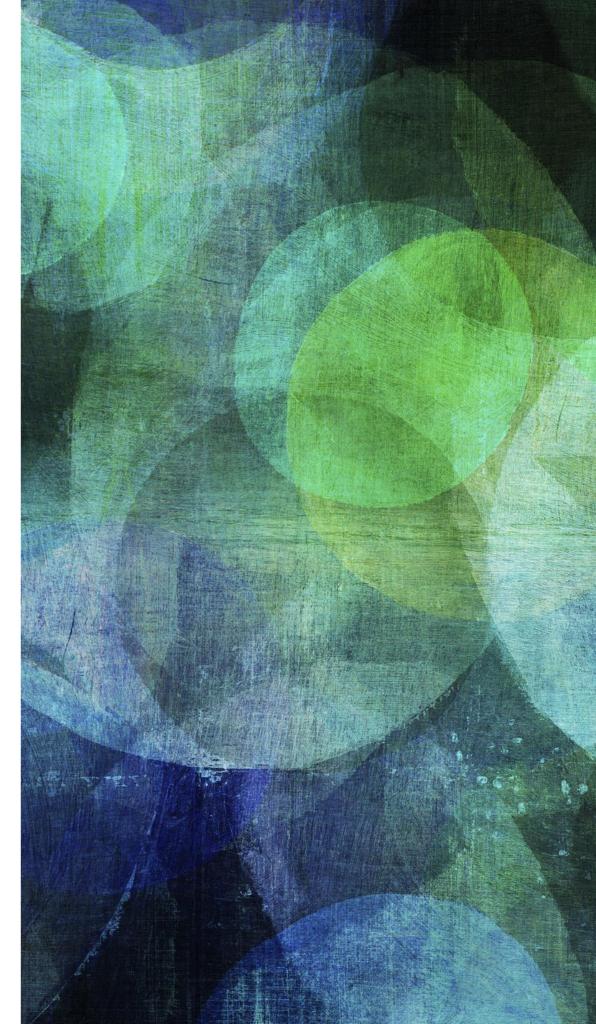




# RESULTS....

- More people have real jobs
- Self employment happens for more
- Goals are focused on employment
- Young people have the experiences other teenagers do
- Employers value people as part of their work environment.
- People have money
- Funding is sufficient
- There are NO dead ends



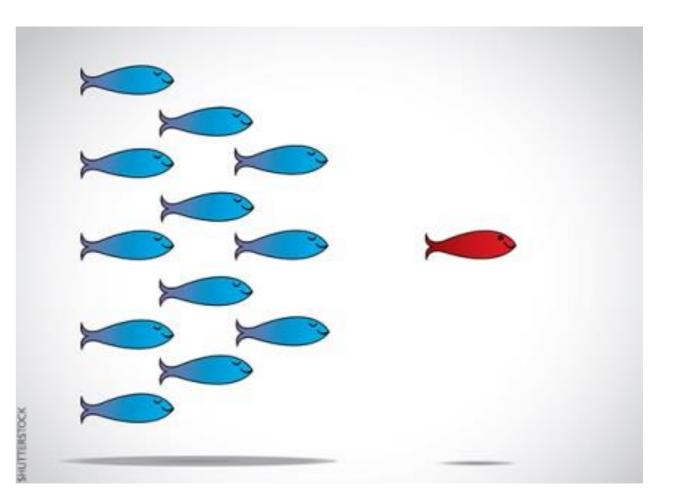


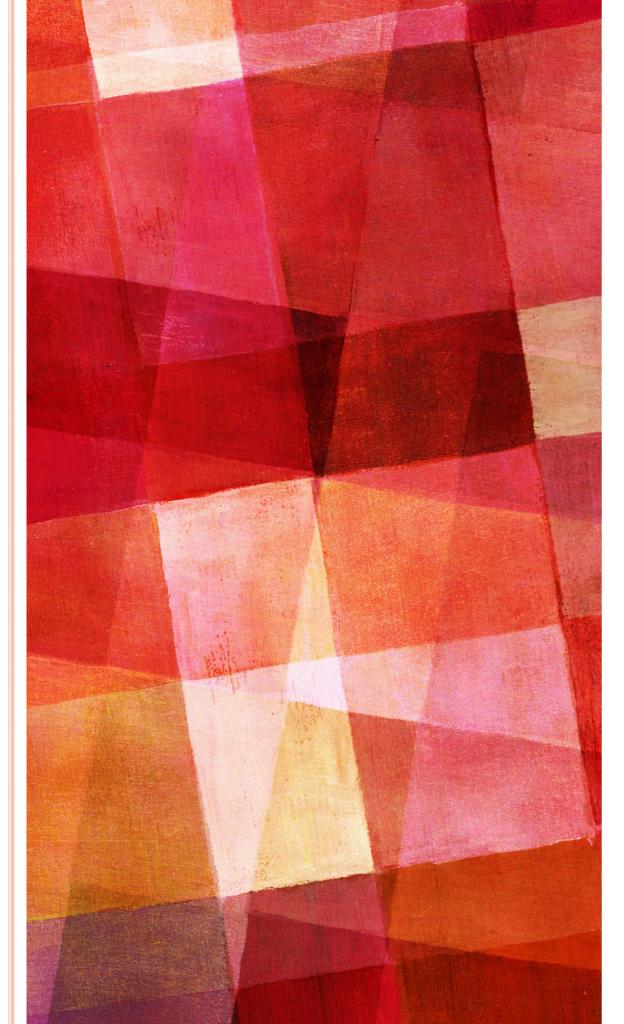
# THERE IS NOTHING SO USELESS AS DOING EFFICIENTLY THAT WHICH SHOULD NOT BE DONE AT ALL.

#### Peter Drucker

### LEADERSHIP

- Making bold moves is part of being a good leader
  - Have a clear vision for the future
  - Know why you are making the decisions you are making
  - Share the vision with everyone





#### CHARACTERISTICS OF SUCCESS..AGENCIES

#### • LEADERSHIP

- CHANGE MANAGEMENT TEAMS
- EXTENSIVE STAFF TRAINING
- FLATTENING THE STRUCTURE
- REDEFINING POSITIONS
- PLANNING ONE PERSON AT A TIME
- INVOLVING KEY STAKEHOLDERS
- COMMUNICATION

# CHARACTERISTICS OF SUCCESS...STATES

Positive philosophy, policies, & funding
Capacity building & advocacy efforts

- Strong, consistent leadership
- > Data based decisions
- > Systems change initiatives
- > Transition focus

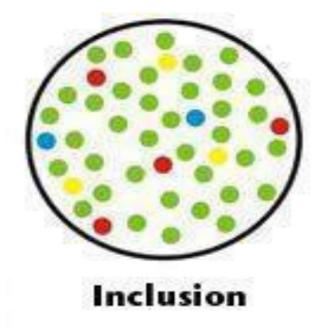
#### LOOKING AT THE WHOLE PERSON

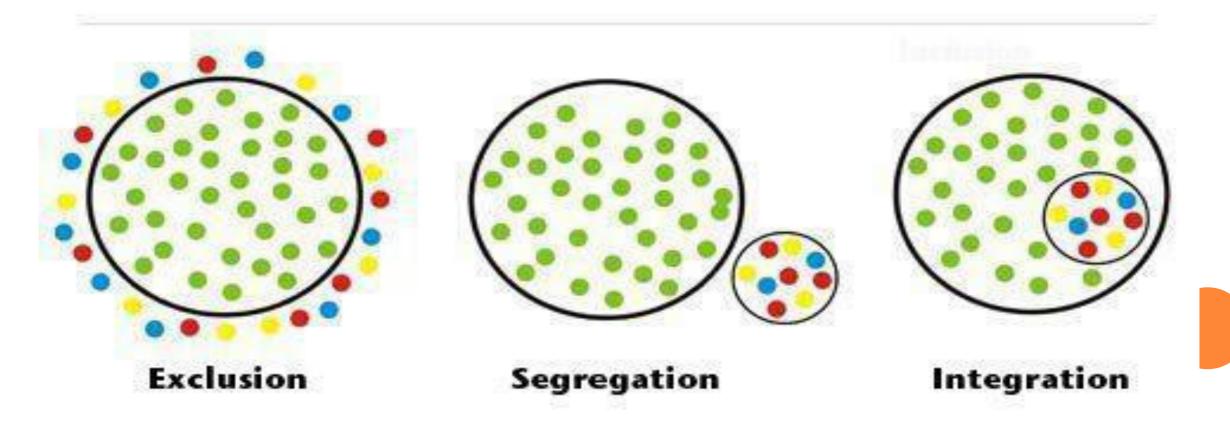
#### • It takes reimagining

- Their whole life
- What is standing in the way
- First steps
- How will you support them



## IT IS NOT ABOUT QUALITY SERVICES IT IS ABOUT QUALITY LIVES...





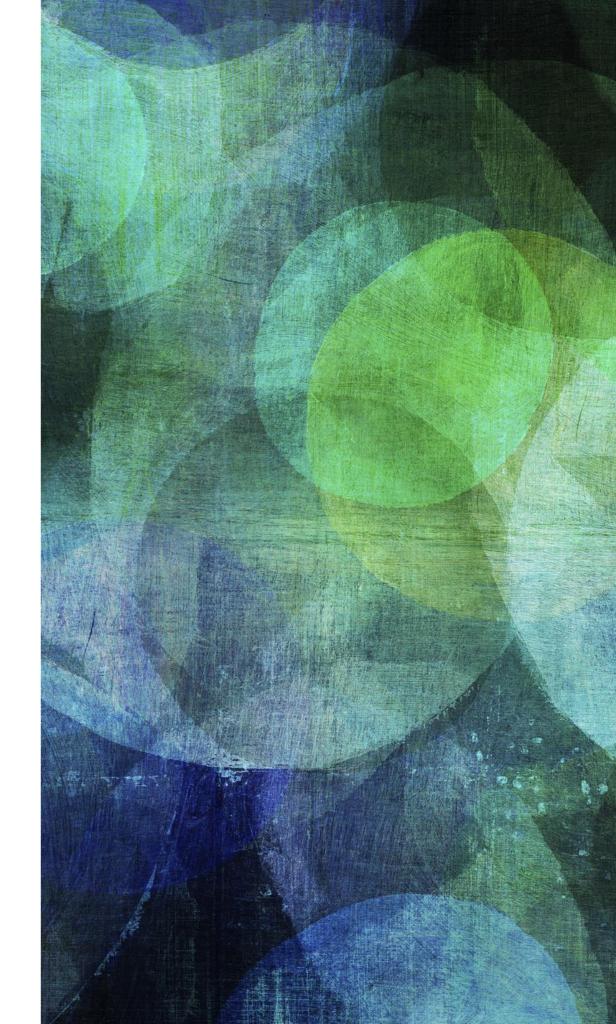
## LIFEDESIGNS GOALS



- Live in their own homes
- Work in regular community businesses
- Be members and contributors of their communities

# WHAT ARE YOUR GREATEST FEARS?

- The community won't support us
- Staff will leave
- Other agencies will come in and provide segregated services
- What about the building?
- Can we support everyone?
- Will the Board support it
- Do families resist?
- How do we sustain ourselves financially?



## WHAT IS APSE DOING?

- Advocacy: Making Employment First more than a slogan
- Partnerships: Supporting the development of strong shapters
- Sustainability: Establishing a plan for APSE's continued financial strength
- Engagement: Expanding participation of all groups



# SOME MOTIVATION!

# From just a few people you may know....



# ALWAYS BELIEVE

# When you stop believing in Santa...

# You get underwear for Christmas.

# RESOURCES

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- Leading change; Kotter, John, 2012
- What successful transformations share; McKinsey and Company, 2011
- National Call for Organizational Change From Sheltered to Integrated Employment, AAID, Rogan and Rinne, 2011