**Vendor Conference Minutes**

**WRIC – CCS Employment Related Skills Training**

**September 4, 2025**

**Vendor Attendees:** Soaring Skills, Innovative Wisconsin

**Staff Attendees:** Paul Medinger, Cassie Schafer, Heather Lind, Ryan Ross

**Questions**/*Answers*

1. **Service providers have employment of their own? We do hire out services like maintenance, lawn care, etc. Would those or similar job training be eligible?**

The agency can’t employ the client/consumer. But can develop a job training that replicates a job site.

1. **So had a juice café at the organization. Does client have to be provide with a wage?**

Yes. But also, some organizations have partnerships with local businesses. Can also work with pre-employment work like resume building, interview skills. The focus is specific to the direction of securing employment.

1. **How to differentiate between these skills and other skills that are also included/overlap with other services such as Ind Skills Training? And how to determine rate for similar services already provided.**

Rate may not be different. But the direction with this is hoping to work towards employment and job readiness.

1. **Blended rate? No different rates for degree levels?**

Correct. Not a blended rate. One rate for all degrees.

1. **How many vendors currently?**

Around three. Five vendors contracted.

1. **Is there a waitlist of clients? Or a growing need?**

There seems to be a need. There is a smaller provider network in this. We may look at other ways to utilize.

**Reminder – when developing your service budgets, please include costs for hiring/contracting with a clinical supervisor; purchase of an evidence based model curriculum, additional staff training costs, etc.**

Websites

* [Comprehensive Community Services: Provider Resources | Wisconsin Department of Health Services](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.dhs.wisconsin.gov%2Fccs%2Fproviders.htm&data=05%7C02%7Ccsander%40lacrossecounty.org%7C9c24fa62ef9f4604378e08dcd1142d79%7C90642ce53c114728aa2dfc5917738a93%7C0%7C0%7C638615133339841205%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=1agULZ4lEekFW29uzt%2FZMSfnEjTgB%2FD2siHoqI5mm4k%3D&reserved=0)
	+ List of CCS endorsed evidence-based models and curriculums
* [Informed Consent for Medications F-24277 Series: Psychotropic Medications | Wisconsin Department of Health Services](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.dhs.wisconsin.gov%2Fforms%2Fmedbrandname.htm&data=05%7C02%7Ccsander%40lacrossecounty.org%7C9c24fa62ef9f4604378e08dcd1142d79%7C90642ce53c114728aa2dfc5917738a93%7C0%7C0%7C638615133339856055%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=F0sdrWSgwDAnM6LJ0jEqu77OZuT3U%2FSAr6mjN0pJXRg%3D&reserved=0)
	+ Medication informed consent forms (for med management service only)
* [CCS Clinical-Supervision-Expectations.pdf (lacrossecounty.org)](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flacrossecounty.org%2Fdocs%2Fdefault-source%2Fhuman-services%2Fclinical-supervision-expectations-(2022).pdf%3Fsfvrsn%3D737bbaaa_3&data=05%7C02%7Ccsander%40lacrossecounty.org%7C9c24fa62ef9f4604378e08dcd1142d79%7C90642ce53c114728aa2dfc5917738a93%7C0%7C0%7C638615133339867102%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=xNaInhh9BcsmQK2ujBG2cKJXIrYE7r33QI9va52O2Bg%3D&reserved=0)
	+ (not shared today) a link to the revised clinical supervision expectations from this year.