Technical Note

Project Career STAR web portal provides key information on supporting college students with traumatic brain injury

Project Career is a multi-site, multi-disciplinary demonstration grant funded by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR). Kent State University serves as the program’s prime contractor with additional operational sites at Boston University and West Virginia University. JBS International, LLC is the fourth partner, managing the project’s data collection and analysis efforts. Project Career’s goal is to improve academic outcomes of college students who have incurred a traumatic brain injury, ultimately leading to enhanced employment opportunities. The project’s web portal is divided into stakeholder-driven categories for students, veterans, educators, service providers, and employers. Each section provides information pertinent to that specific audience.

Referred to as STAR, the portal provides information about:

- Students who have a TBI,
- the Technology that can be used to accommodate them,
- other Accommodations that can be implemented in the classroom and in the workplace, and
- a multitude of available Resources.

It includes the Project Career model, the cognitive support technology used by the project to help students overcome the limitations resulting from their TBI, and more. The goal of the STAR portal is to provide information, assistance, and resources to a national audience to better assist students with TBI in postsecondary programs. The portal can be accessed at http://www.projectcareertbi.org.