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for it.

Work
for it.

If you or someone you know would like more information about Alternatives Employment Supports program; please contact our Employment Supports Specialist and Job Developer at:

705-742-0806 ext. 241

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Employment Supports Program



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Program Details

The Alternatives-Employment Supports program is governed by Ontario Disability Supports Program (ODSP). Alternatives-Employment Support specialists support people who qualify for ODSP Employment Supports, who are 16 years of age or older, living with barriers to employment and live in Peterborough City and County.

Alternatives-Employment Supports program is dedicated to our clients and to assisting them to achieve their employment goals.

The employment support specialist will help you with;

1. Filling out the ODSP-Employment Supports Application
2. Pre-Employment activities such as; skills assessment, employability assessment, emotional intelligence improvement, resume and cover letter writing, job readiness training, interview preparation
3. Job Development; searching for available jobs within your skill set and desired job industry. Assist you with applying for jobs online or in person

4. Job Acquisition- Finding a job; 13-week job placements with on the-job support or job coaching as required.
5. Job Retention-33 months of support to retain position
6. If not retained at your placement...we will assist you to find another job. (Conditions apply)

The companies who employ our clients are committed to inclusion and diversity in the workplace.

Program Benefits

- ❖ **Support from an Alternatives employment supports specialist**
- ❖ **Improved socio-economic status**
- ❖ **Improved quality of life**
- ❖ **Confidence**
- ❖ **Self worth**
- ❖ **Skills improvement**
- ❖ **Broader social network**
- ❖ **Being a contributing and respected member of society**
- ❖ **Independence**

Mary's Success Story

Mary had a job goal of working in the animal care industry. Her Employment Supports Specialist evaluated her skills in this field and then approached a local pet grooming company, Abby and Associate Professional Pet Grooming in the north end of Peterborough in August of 2018.

Mary had an interview and was offered a placement position as a pet groomer's assistant. Mary demonstrated amazing skill and initiative throughout the job placement. Towards the end of the 13-week placement Mary's employer offered her as a regular part-time position.

Mary is happy and remains employed there today.

