

Welcome!

The webinar will begin shortly...

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While you wait, here are some fast facts about HR outsourcing:

Companies that outsource HR to a professional employer organization (PEO) are **50% less likely** to go out of business.



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While you wait, here are some fast facts about HR outsourcing:

Companies that use a professional employer organization (PEO) are **28% more satisfied** with their available selection of employee benefits.



"PEOs: Taking Outsourcing a Step Beyond Pays off for Small & Mid-Sized Companies" Aberdeen Group, 2011

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G&A Partners has an average Net Promoter Score (NPS) that is **35x higher** than that of the HR outsourcing industry.



Before we begin...

- We are recording this webinar. The on-demand recording will be available on our website by the end of the week.
- This webinar has been pre-certified by the Human Resources Certification Institute (HRCI) for one hour of HR general recertification credit.
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Playing Off Strengths: Building a disability inclusive workplace

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**“Inclusion works to the advantage of everyone.
We all have things to learn, and we all have
something to teach.”**

- Helen Henderson

Poll Question

**On a scale of 1-5, how
prepared is your
organization to
implement a Diversity,
Equity & Inclusion (DEI)
Program?**



What does it mean to be a DE&I Workforce?

Diversity Defined

The condition of having or being composed of differing elements.

Equity Defined

Freedom from bias or favoritism.

The root word that Equity and Equality share is aequus (pronounced \EYE-kwus\), meaning “even” or “fair” or “equal.”

Inclusion Defined

The act of including: the state of being included.

If diversity in the workplace is simply there for the sake of saying you're diverse, the initiative will fail.

- Diversity is a sprint
- Inclusion is a marathon

Companies that have diversity without an inclusive culture have:

- Lower revenue
- Lower performance
- Decreased employee morale
- Increased conflict
- Higher levels of absenteeism

Poll Question

What is the most important reason to implement a DEI program?

- **Increasing your Talent Pool**
- **Employee Retention**
- **Company Brand**
- **Applicant & Employee Rights**
- **Mitigating Risk**



Why is inclusion important?

As an employer, inclusivity is important to the success of your organization in a variety of ways, including increasing:

- Your Talent Pool
- Employee Retention
- Company Brand
- Applicant & Employee Rights
- Mitigating Risk

DOL Disability Labor Force Statistics

Persons between the ages of 16 and 64 with Disabilities as of Dec. 20

- Labor Force Participation Rate: 33.2%
- Employment-Population Ratio: 29.4%
- Unemployment Rate: 11.5%

Persons between the ages of 16 and 64 without Disabilities as of Dec. 20

- Labor Force Participation Rate: 75.7%
- Employment-Population Ratio: 70.9%
- Unemployment Rate: 6.4%

Seen & Unseen Disabilities

Seen

Physical Disabilities (physical impairment that causes difficulty performing certain functions like, seeing, walking, hearing, and talking.)



<https://www.hawking.org.uk/in-pictures/14?position=11>

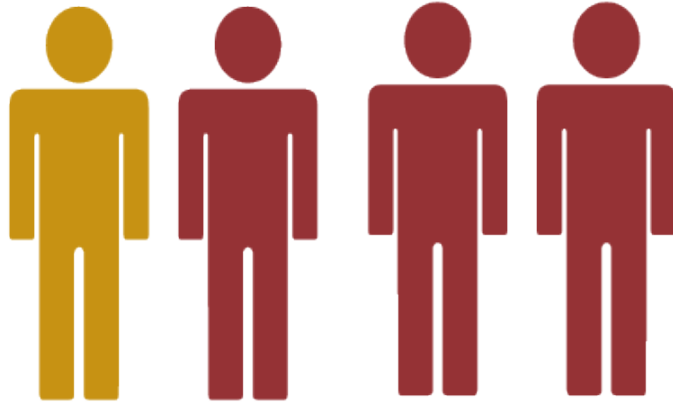
Unseen

Diabetes, Migraines, ADD/ADHD/Bi-Polar, Depression, visual or auditory impairments, chronic pain,



<https://www.gettyimages.com/photos/michael-phelps>

Employee Retention



One in four American
adults has a **disability**.*

*2016 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)

<https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/disabilityandhealth/disability-inclusion.html>



Employers that offer the most inclusive working environment for disabled employees achieved on average:

- 28% higher revenue
- 30% greater economic profit margins
- Twice the net income of their industry peers

Applicant & Employee Rights & Mitigating Risk



<https://www.valiant.com/2-ways-to-mitigate-risk-through-payroll-management-and-tax-credits/>

What is the Definition of Disability?

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

- Physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, a record of such an impairment, or being regarded as having such an impairment.



<https://disabledaccessnyc.com/the-americans-with-disabilities-act/>

Poll Question

**Does your organization
currently provide DEI
Training?**



How do we create ways to be more inclusive?



Implement companywide training for:

- Leadership
- Managers
- Employees

What's considered offensive and what isn't?

Tips	Use	Do not use
Emphasize abilities, not limitations	Person who uses a wheelchair	Confined or restricted to a wheelchair, wheelchair bound
	Person who uses a device to speak	Can't talk, mute
Do not use language that suggests the lack of something	Person with a disability	Disabled, handicapped
	Person of short stature	Midget
	Person with cerebral palsy	Cerebral palsy victim
	Person with epilepsy or seizure disorder	Epileptic
	Person with multiple sclerosis	Afflicted by multiple sclerosis
Emphasize the need for accessibility, not the disability	Accessible parking or bathroom	Handicapped parking or bathroom
Do not use offensive language	Person with a physical disability	Crippled, lame, deformed, invalid, spastic
	Person with an intellectual, cognitive, developmental disability	Slow, simple, moronic, defective, afflicted, special person
	Person with an emotional or behavioral disability, a mental health impairment, or a psychiatric disability	Insane, crazy, psycho, maniac, nuts
Avoid language that implies negative stereotypes	Person without a disability	Normal person, healthy person
Do not portray people with disabilities as inspirational only because of their disability	Person who is successful, productive	Has overcome his/her disability, is courageous

10koro CA, Hollis ND, Cyrus AC, Griffin-Blake S. Prevalence of Disabilities and Health Care Access by Disability Status and Type Among Adults— United States, 2016. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2018; 67:882–887. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm6732a3l>.

For more resources on disability inclusion, visit: www.cdc.gov/disabilities

Creating a disability inclusive workplace



Build a Sourcing and Retention Plan & partner with:

- Partner with local resources
- State and Federal resources
- Community support groups

Creating a disability inclusive workplace

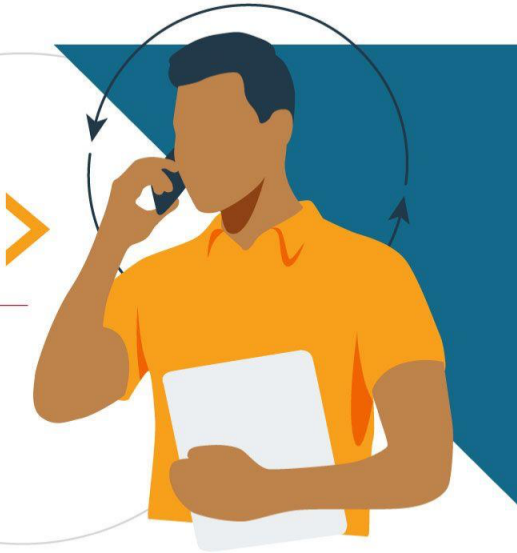


Provide support for employees with disabilities

- 56% of accommodations cost less than \$600
- No data showing higher absenteeism

<https://www.dol.gov/general/topic/disability/statistics>

Creating a disability inclusive workplace



Communicate your Disability Inclusion Plan internally

- Build enthusiasm
- Brand it
- Share successes
- Evolve the plan

Cultivating an engaged team of diverse individuals



- Enlist leadership involvement
- Engage employees
- Educate the team
- Encourage employee resource groups in order to promote belonging
- Encourage teams to volunteer together
- Provide opportunities to network
- Host focus groups

Ron Heagy



Defined Disability, Equity & Inclusion

Importance of Inclusion

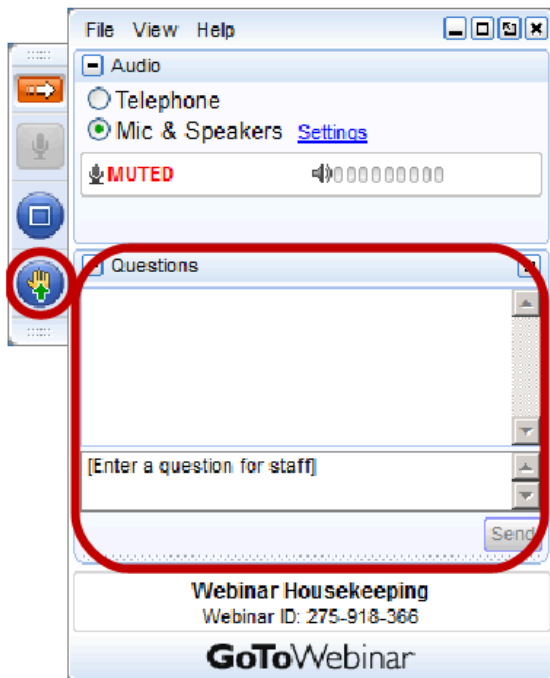
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Different ways to be more inclusive

How to cultivate an engaged team of diverse individuals

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Resources

AskJAN.org

- Free service from the federal Office of Disability Employment Policy. Toolkits, training materials
- Toolkits, reference guides, training materials

AskEARN.org

- Resources employers seeking to recruit, hire, retain and advance qualified individuals with disabilities, toolkits, guides, trainings, job board listings

CDC.GOV/disabilities

- Provides resources on best ways to interact and communicate with people that have disabilities.

EEOC.gov

- Resource guide on recruiting, respect, retain, promote, provide accommodation
- https://www.eeoc.gov/sites/default/files/migrated_files/eeoc/interagency/employing_people_with_disabilities_toolkit_february_3_2015_v4-2.pdf

Office of Disability Employment Policy

- DOL's Office of Resource Disability Policy provides info to develop and influence disability employment-related policies and practice
- <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/odep>

Thinkbeyondthelabel.com

- Tools, resources, inspiration/success stories

Understood.com

- <https://www.understood.org/en/workplace/rights-at-work/5-steps-to-build-an-inclusive-workplace-for-people-with-disabilities>