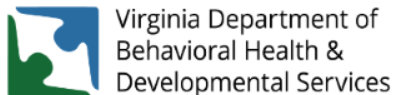


Welcome to the May IFSP Coordinated Council Meeting!



Transition and Employment

Featuring a presentation from the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) and regional discussions



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Agenda



- Welcome & Ground Rules
- What is IFSP?
- I'm Determined - **Maddie Sumner**, Youth Leader
- NCI Employment Data - **Seb Prohn**, VCU Partnership for People with Disabilities
- Transition and Employment - **Martin Kurylowski**, DARS
- Regional Breakouts
- Questions and Answers
- Council Business & Adjourn

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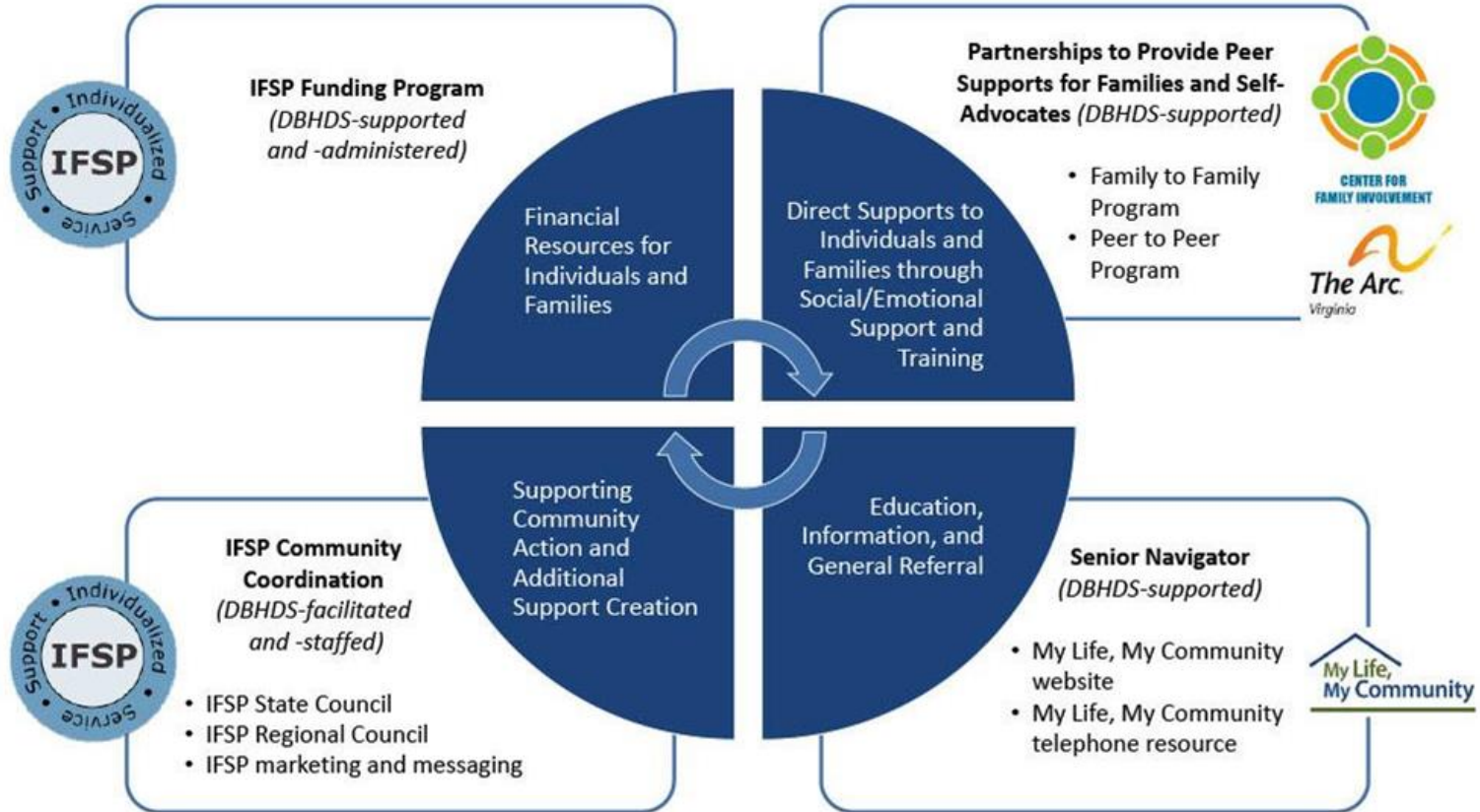
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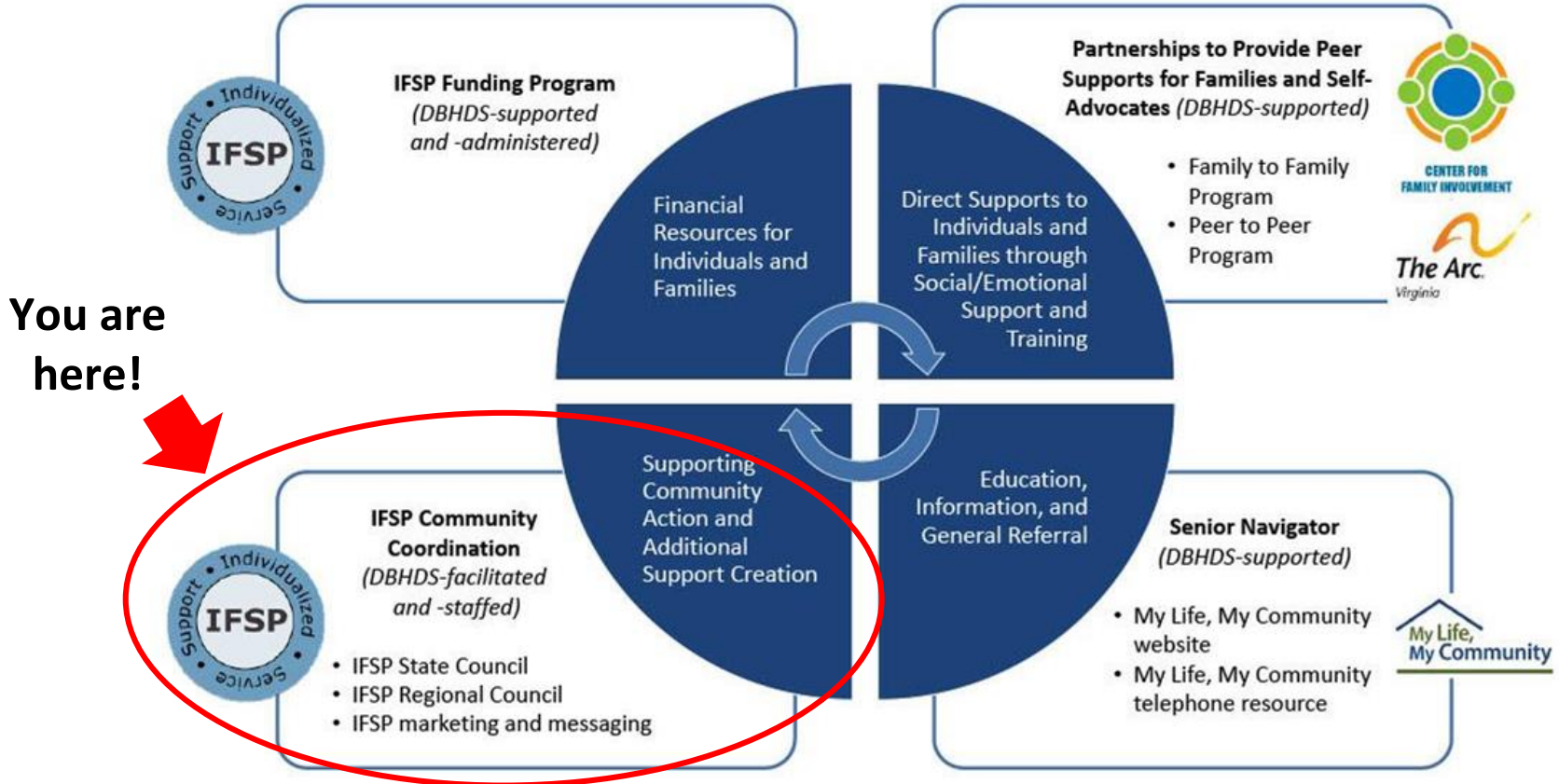
- **Tonight's main session is being recorded.**
- Please put your questions in the chat! We will answer questions at the end of the meeting, after the breakouts.
- Remember that tonight's meeting is public, so please refrain from sharing personal information.

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What is IFSP?



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I'm Determined

Maddie Sumner, Youth Leader

I'm Determined: <https://www.imdetermined.org/>



National Core Indicator Employment Data

Seb Prohn, Senior Research and Evaluation Specialist

VCU Partnership for People with Disabilities: <http://partnership.vcu.edu/>

Seb Prohn

VCU Partnership for People with Disabilities



Seb Prohn is the senior research and evaluation specialist at VCU's Partnership for People with Disabilities. His work addresses improved quality of life, health, and community participation across the lifespan. He is the lead analyst of Virginia's National Core Indicators In-Person Survey, an instrument used to monitor the impact of HCBS waiver supports on personal outcomes and opportunities for people with IDD. Today, he'll use NCI data to share some information about employment in Virginia.



NCI as a
tool for
Monitoring
Employment

Description, Prediction,
Outcomes



Virginia's National Core Indicator Employment Data

| | VIRGINIA | | NATIONAL |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | 2019 N= 82 | 2020 N= 47 | 2019 N= 2740 |
| Paid community job | 10.5% | 12% | 31% |
| Average income in 2 week period | \$207 | \$228 | \$236 |
| Average time worked in 2 week period | 26 hours | 27 hours | 25 hours |
| Makes minimum wage or above | 86% | 81% | 93% |

VIRGINIA

NATIONAL

2019

2020

2019

Not working, would like to work

52%

53%

54%

OF THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO WORK...

N= 211

N= 122

Have employment as goal in plan

35%

37%

63%

Have employment supports & services

23%

29%

43%

Participate in employment training

19%

19%

29%

Participate in postsecondary education

2.8%

0.8%

2.0%

Volunteers

51%

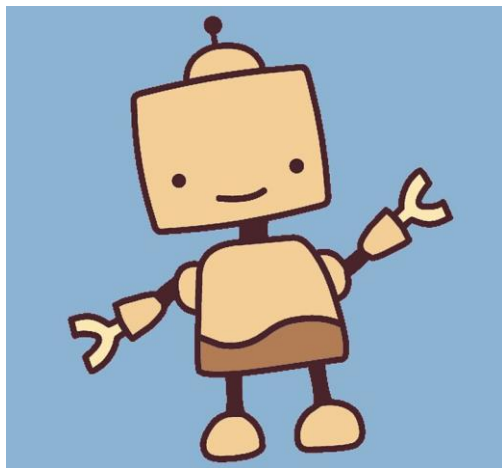
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41%

Importance of Community Employment Goal

Machine Learning

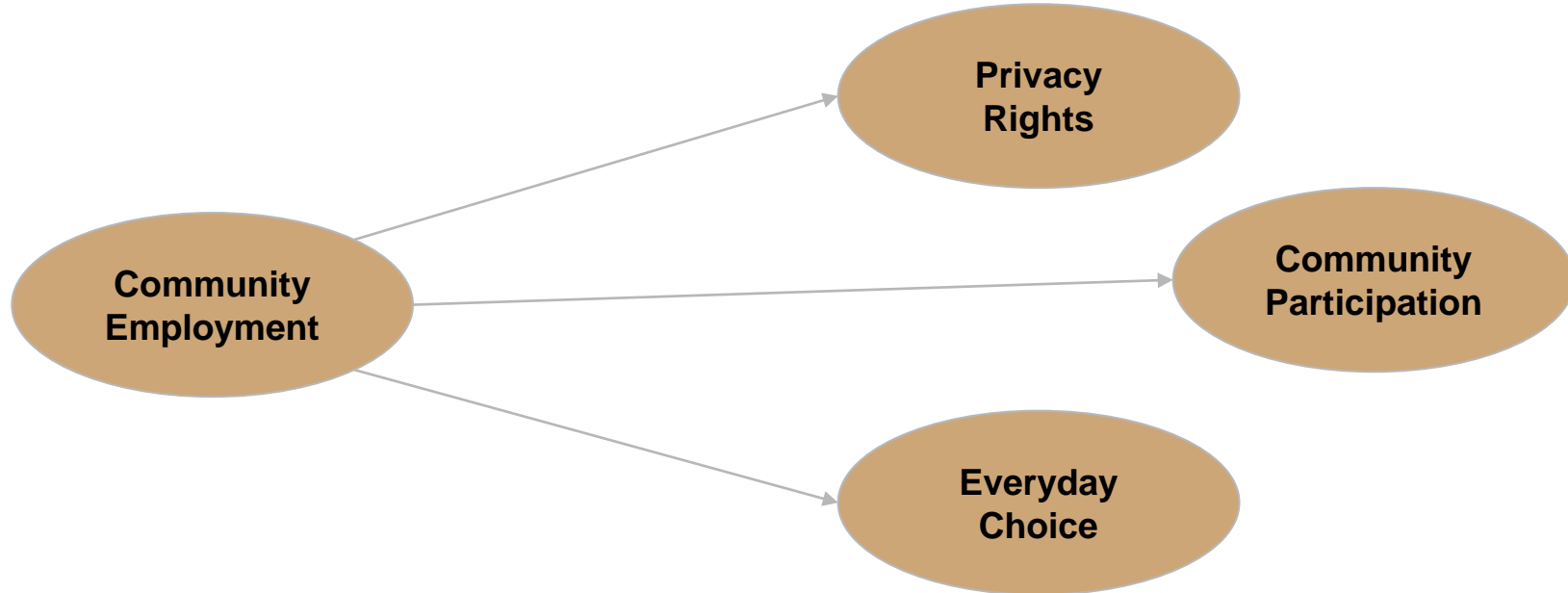
A form of artificial intelligence in which a large dataset trains an algorithm to explore all possible predictors of specific outcome.



Predicting Community Employment

- “Is community employment a goal in person’s service plan?” **YES**
- 30% more important than any other predictor
- Other top predictors include
 - Volunteerism
 - Choice- schedule, buy, day program
 - Employment training
 - Voting

What does community employment predict?



Thank you!

Seb M. Prohn, PhD

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Transition and Employment

Martin Kurylowski, Transition and Education Services Coordinator

Virginia Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services



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Tonight's speaker: Martin Kurylowski, DARS



Martin Kurylowski (Martin.kurylowski@dars.virginia.gov), Transition and Education Services Coordinator, Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

Martin is a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor with a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree in Psychology from Central Connecticut State University. He has worked for over 10 combined years in both Special Education and the State Vocational Rehabilitation system to support students with disabilities in their vocational development and post-school transition. In his current role, he has the pleasure of supporting transition staff and programs serving students across the Commonwealth of Virginia, as well as partnering with various stakeholders who carry a similar mission of helping all students with disabilities to achieve greater opportunity through employment.



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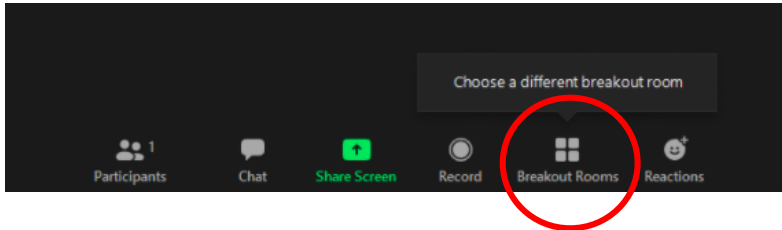
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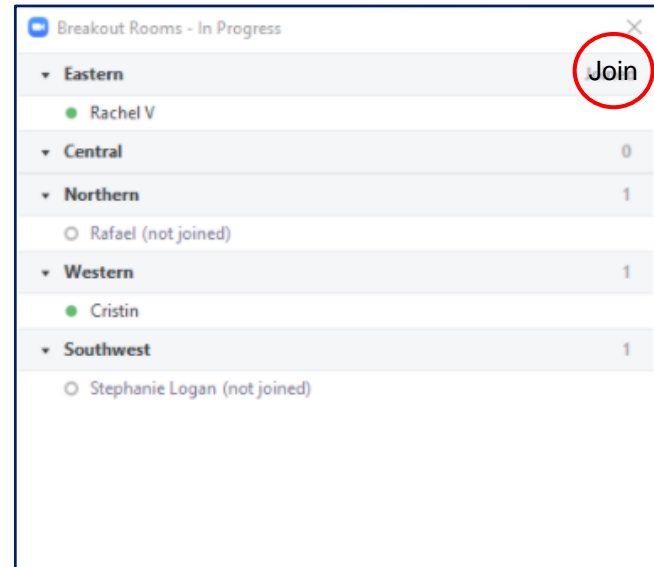
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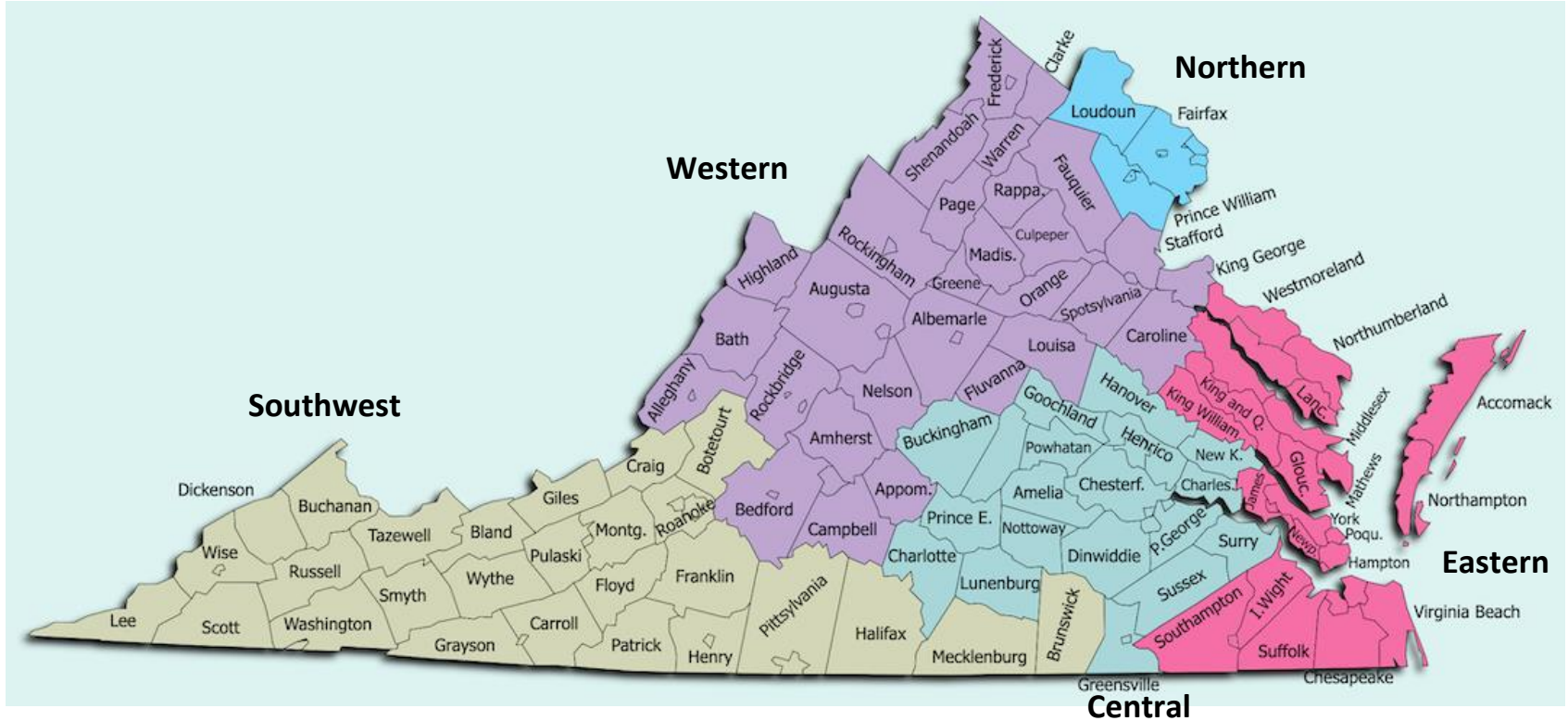


Then pick “Join” for your region:



Please select the breakout room for where you live!

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Question & Answer



Where exactly do I go to apply for Pre-ETS? Do I work with my school? If I want to apply for services?

- Go to the DARS website and click on the “How Do I Apply?” under the header “What is VR?” That will give you the contact information for your local DARS field office.

Can you explain how to get pre-ETS services started, both for students enrolled in public schools and those not attending public school?

- You want to start with your school! Please contact your school’s transition coordinator who should be able to assist you, and you can always contact DARS.

Remember: Supported Employment is for people who need the help of a job coach. The job coach is the key part of the supported employment experience.

Question & Answer



Can homeschooled students obtain Pre-ETS?

- Homeschooled students can reach out to their local DARS field office for assistance.

My adult child is already out of school. What do you mean, other service providers who can request Pre-ETS? Can a doctor request?

- Just a reminder: Pre-ETS is available to students 14 to 22 years old, but please connect with your local DARS field office to find out how to obtain services for an adult. They can point you in the right direction.

Does DARS provide services for 28-year-olds that move to Virginia from another state?

- A person has to “have presence” in Virginia in order to receive services. Ask your local DARS field office!

Question & Answer



How does one learn more about and apply for paid/unpaid summer internships?

- When you connect with a counselor, you will learn about internships and other opportunities. The first step is to call!

Are there any autism-specific services available at DARS?

- Yes, there are autism-specific services. Go to the DARS website. The most important thing is to connect with the local field office to get services.

Are all DARS services free of charge, or fee-based? Please talk about eligibility.

- There are not costs for Pre-ETS. There may be certain costs for VR services. If you receive SSI, fees may be waived. Please contact your local field office!

Council Business



- The next Coordinated Council meeting is **September 16, 6:30pm - 8:00pm.**
- If you are interested in receiving emails about IFSP Council Meetings and Events, make sure you fill out the Satisfaction Survey!
- The recording, PowerPoint slides, notes, and additional resources will be shared on the My Life, My Community website and on the IFSP Community Facebook page:
 - <https://mylifemycommunityvirginia.org/>
 - <https://www.facebook.com/IFSPCommunity>
- The Annual Waiver Waiting List Notification will come out this summer on our IFSP Listserv: <http://tinyurl.com/ifsplistserv>

Thank you!



To our introduction speakers, **Maddie Sumner** and **Seb Prohn**!

To our main session speaker, **Martin Kurylowski**!

And to each of our Regional Experts:

- Central: **Lisa Holland**, Transition Training Associate at the Center on Transition Innovations, <https://centerontransition.org/>
- Eastern: **Jean Terrell**, Employment Specialist at Hired Hands/VersAbility, <https://versability.org/>
- Northern: **Tyler Schreffler**, Unit Supervisor at the Division of Rehabilitative Services Fairfax Office, <https://www.vadars.org> & **Lauren Goldschmidt**, Director of Community Services at ServiceSource, <https://www.servicesource.org/>
- Southwestern: **Angie Leonard**, CEO of St. Vincent's Home, <https://svhservices.org/>
- Western: **Martha Caraballo**, DARS, <https://www.vadars.org>

Before you go ...



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