Alaska APSE & National APSE are partnering to offer the first national certification program for Employment Support Professionals!



## Thursday, March 31, 2016 1:30 to 4:30 pm Captain Cook Hotel Downtown Anchorage 939 W 5th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501

Job coaches, job developers, transition employment specialists, job placement personnel, and employment specialists/consultants can earn the designation of **Certified Employment Support Professionals (CESP<sup>TM</sup>)** by passing the national CESP<sup>TM</sup> examination.

## The fee to take the exam is \$159.00.

## WHAT IS CESP<sup>TM</sup> CERTIFICATION?

- CESP<sup>TM</sup> certification is a national credential for <u>staff</u> who assists people with disabilities with their employment needs.
- The CESP<sup>TM</sup> credential is earned by passing a comprehensive examination based on national standardized competencies, developed via a rigorous process in compliance with the guidelines of the National Commission for Certifying Agencies.
- CESP<sup>TM</sup> certification is intended as a compliment to <u>program</u> certification and licensing.
- The CESP<sup>TM</sup> certification is a national, portable <u>individual</u> credential.

### **BENEFITS OF CESP CERTIFICATION**

- **Staff** will have a nationally recognized credential that certifies their competency in the full array of skills areas necessary to assist individuals to succeed in employment.
- Service providers will have confidence that staff have the necessary skills to perform high quality work.
- **Individuals with disabilities** will have confidence that staff persons providing assistance are knowledgeable, highly skilled, and competent.
- **CESP**<sup>TM</sup> provides assurances to business, individuals, and funding agencies, about the consistent and high quality of program staff, and commitment to best practice.

For employment support professionals: CESP<sup>TM</sup> certification shows colleagues, supervisors and individuals with disabilities that you completed a rigorous process to earn your national professional credential. CESP<sup>TM</sup> certification opens the door to:

- Improved professional advancement & job opportunities
- Increased income opportunities
- Enhanced credibility with employers

# To register visit:

#### http://www.apse.org/certified-employment-support-professional/exam-opportunities:

Complete and submit the application and registration fee to: APSE/CESP Exam, 414 Hungerford Drive, Suite 224 Rockville, MD 20850 301-279-0075 Fax

Questions: Please email <u>cesp@apse.org</u> or call 1-301-279-0060

