

Subminimum Wage Transition to Competitive Integrated Employment (SWTCIE Illinois Evaluation)

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

&

Illinois Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS), Employment
Specialists, Supervisors, and Other Partners/Stakeholders

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UIUC Evaluators Roles & Responsibilities

- ❖ Develop and conduct an *evaluation of the SWTCIE Illinois project performance* that documents the *relationship* between participant engagement with competitive integrated employment (CIE) practices and strategies implemented by the project and key outcomes.
 - Collect data (i.e., from SWTCIE Illinois participants, Illinois Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS), 14c grantees)
 - Obtain partner/stakeholder feedback (i.e., from other partners such as parents, families, advocates, & guardians, schools, CIE employers, state agencies, community-based agencies)
 - Analyze data collected from the project to help inform SWTCIE Illinois project refinement and implementation
 - Evaluate project and its impact (e.g., strengths and challenges) on assisting SWTCIE Illinois participants with obtaining competitive integrated employment
- ❖ Produce data and findings for the **SWTCIE Illinois Website** <https://swtcieillinois.ahs.illinois.edu/> to be utilized by:
 - SWTCIE Illinois participants, Illinois DRS, 14c grantees, & other partners/stakeholders
 - Illinois DRS to meet their reporting requirements to the Rehabilitation Services Administration
 - Mathematica to contribute to their national evaluation process

Illinois DRS Counselors, Employment Specialists, Supervisors, and Other Partners/Stakeholders Roles & Responsibilities

- ❖ Establish *point person* for *communication & working relationship* with UIUC evaluation team and community research specialists to help *coordinate* evaluation activities
- ❖ Help UIUC with *access* to collect required performance data (i.e., Site visit for DRS case file review)
- ❖ *Accurately Track* SWTCIE Illinois participants to help UIUC collect required performance data
- ❖ *Participate* in surveys, interviews, and focus groups

5-Year Summary of SWTCIE Illinois Evaluation

YEAR 1 & 2 (October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2024)	YEAR 3 & 4 (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2026)	YEAR 5 (October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027)
Baseline Evaluation (Year 1 & 2)	Formative Evaluation (Year 3)	Summative Evaluation (Year 5)
Assessment of Project Pilot (Year 2)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality of Life • Interagency Collaboration • Vocational Rehabilitation Services • Implementation • Knowledge Translation • Sustainability

Data and Reporting Requirements for 14c Grantees

- UIUC evaluation team conducts formal evaluation of six 14c organizations, grantees of the SWTCIE Illinois project, on at least a quarterly basis
- Collect quarterly and year-end reports regarding 14c organization project performance measures via Periodic Performance Report (PPR) and (cumulative) outcomes using prescribed SWTCIE Illinois protocol