

VIRTUAL SUMMER ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

In response to COVID-19, the Helen Keller National Center continues to address the access that young adults with combined vision and hearing loss have to services. HKNC's Summer Assessment Program offers a comprehensive virtual assessment designed to offer information and practical experience to expand participant's awareness, knowledge, skill and confidence during a time when distance learning ensures the safety of our consumers.

Program Cost: \$625.00 / week
Offered June, July, and August 2020

The eight-week Virtual Summer Assessment Program will offer opportunities to gain knowledge and experience in the following areas

1. Career and Job Exploration
2. Virtual Worksite Tours
3. Workplace Readiness Skills
4. Counseling on Post-Secondary Education
5. Adaptive Technology
6. Self-advocacy- Facilitate IEP
7. Orientation & Mobility
8. Low Vision and Audiology
9. Communication

Along with the assessment areas, participants may choose to join peer-learning groups such as Emergency Preparedness, Living on Your Own, Savvy Shopper, *Coping with COVID-19* Support Group, and Advocacy in the Deaf-Blind World.

Virtual Summer Assessment Outcomes:

- ✓ Participate in a variety of experiences and opportunities to gain information, assess strengths and challenges
- ✓ Identify resources and supports that will help prepare for work in the future
- ✓ Learn from competitively employed deaf-blind mentors and peer experiences
- ✓ Develop an understanding of work through virtual worksite tours and informational interviews

Prior to the beginning of the program, HKNC staff will assess technology available to the participant to determine the best instruction modality that would insure full access to information and instruction. Instruction may be provided by telephone; iPhone; iPad, e-mail; computer; videophone; FaceTime; Zoom meetings and/or Google Classroom.

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