



## ***Using Working Alliance or Client-Centered Services to Increase Opportunities for Competitive, Integrated Employment for Students and Youth with Disabilities***

### **What is the level of evidence?**

This practice was identified by Rehabilitation Research & Training Center for Evidence-Based Practice in Vocational Rehabilitation (RRTC -EBP VR), and has been labeled by NTACT as a Promising Practice. *More information on NTACT's process for identifying effective practices is available here: [NTACT's Effective Practices.](#)*

### **What is the practice?**

This practice was used as a proxy for a program focused on professionalism in rehabilitation counseling services. The practice focuses on the counselor serving primarily as a counselor, rather than a case manager and employing an holistic view of clients. Consumer self-actualization is viewed as equally important as employment for case outcome.

### **Where is the best place to find out how to do this practice?**

The Special Issue from the Journal of Vocational Rehabilitation is available through the website of the RRTC-EBP-VR here:

<http://content.iospress.com/download/journal-of-vocational-rehabilitation/jvr710?id=journal-of-vocational-rehabilitation%2Fjvr710>

You may also correspond with the RRTC-EBP-VR <http://research2vrpractice.org/contact/> to request more detailed information from the original author regarding implementation of this practice.

### **References used to establish this evidence base:**

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