## Reimagining Employment & Day Services Focus Groups DDS A Discussion For Families DDS

The purpose of these focus groups is to facilitate a discussion about the future of employment and day services for individuals supported through the Department of Developmental Services. We hope to hear about what is working, areas for improvement and creative suggestions for a path forward. The goal of these groups is to build a framework for the department to strengthen and improve employment and day service options for the individuals supported through the department.

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## **Family Focus Group Meeting Dates & Locations**

North Region: Willimantic	•	(5:00-6:30)	90 South Park Street Willimantic, CT 06226
North Region: East Hartford		(5:00-6:30)	155 Founders Plaza 255 Pitkin Street East Hartford, CT 06108
South Region: Norwich	10/16/19	(5:00-6:30)	
South Region: Wallingford	11/07/19	(5:00-6:30)	
West Region: Cheshire	10/30/19	(6:00-7:30)	
West Region: Norwalk	11/04/19	(6:00-7:30)	

## This is a capacity limited event To RSVP: Dianne.gill@CT.gov