

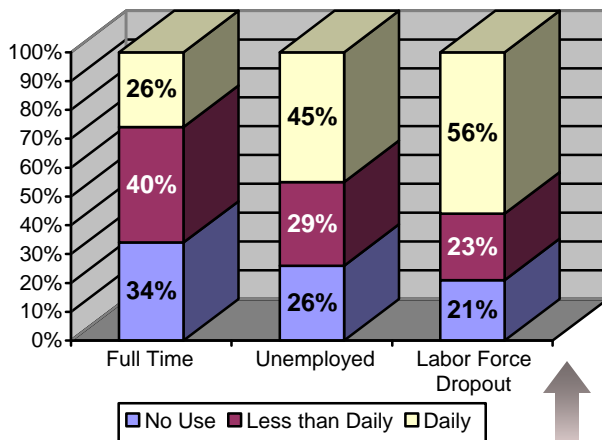
RECOVERY IS WORKING

Research shows that employment is one of the best predictors of success for people in recovery from substance use disorders. Yet, barriers to employment for individuals in recovery from substance use disorders can be formidable. DMHAS launched a unique new employment initiative aimed at assisting individuals with substance use disorders to find and sustain employment.



ROES, Recovery-Oriented Employment Services, had its kick off on July 1, 2008 in the north central and eastern regions of Connecticut. DMHAS contracts for **ROES** services with Alcohol and Drug Recovery Centers, Inc. (ADRC), a treatment provider, and the Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery (CCAR), a recovery advocacy group that operates recovery Community Centers throughout the state. **ROES** connects with employers, chambers of commerce and business consortiums to educate them about recovery, reduce stigma, and make employment connections.

Frequency of Alcohol/Drug Use by Employment Status
(National data. Source: SAMHSA)



50% of the 102 persons served by **ROES** have been placed in jobs!

What's Different about **ROES**?

- Connects treatment providers and recovery advocacy community with clients
- Full-time employment specialists located in Community Recovery Centers connect clients to employment/education and recovery resources
- Coordinates vocational services with treatment and person centered recovery plans
- Provides recovery-oriented vocational skills development curriculum
- Connects with state and local employment services and education resources
- Works with other treatment providers who want to participate
- Provides orientation and training
- Collects and evaluates data



Working people do better in their recovery.

HOW **ROES** WORKS

- ✗ Participants must be in treatment
- ✗ Persons in need of employment services are identified
- ✗ Vocational screen used to determine best employment or education options
- ✗ Employment/educational plan developed
- ✗ Immediate activation of CCAR Telephone Recovery Support service for employment/recovery related support
- ✗ Referrals to community employment/educational resources and employers
- ✗ Phone and in-person assistance to monitor progress
- ✗ Participation in at least 20 hours of CCAR peer support recovery activities for volunteer job experience reference
- ✗ Mutual support groups focused on employment and job skills
- ✗ Service Satisfaction measured

