# OBVS-Approved Independent Employment Specialists (IES)

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Independent Employment Specialist (IES) is an independent contracting position responsible for developing, coordinating, and delivering job placement services for blind, deaf-blind and low vision consumers. This position works as part of an interdisciplinary team to ensure necessary services are provided for the consumer to obtain suitable employment, in accordance with their Individualized Plan for Employment.

## Rate of Pay:

* Approved **IES** – $88 per hour
* Approved **vendor travel** – $35 per hour (prorated each 15 minutes)
* **Missed appointment** – $35 no show flat fee

## Providers:

### Access Benefits Counseling – Lisa Williams-Knox, Owner

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**Service Area:** Region 3 and Region 5.

### Benefits Understood Counseling Services – Sabrina Taylor, Owner

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**Service Area:** Arundel, Howard, Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties. Statewide for more than three referrals.

### Tiffany Carter

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**Service Area:** Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties. Statewide for more than three referrals.

### Danielle M. Curd

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**Service Area:** Baltimore City and Baltimore, Carroll and Howard Counties.

### DTD Urban Multisport Consulting – Tekemla Dorsey, Owner

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**Service Area:** Statewide

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**Service Area:** Arundel, Howard, Montgomery, and Prince George’s Counties.

### Living On Purpose Group, LLC – Shanta Stroman, Owner

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**Service Area:** Montgomery County

### Reinvented Destiny LLC – Sherry Smalls, Owner

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**Service Areas:** Central Maryland (Baltimore City, Baltimore and Howard Counties).

### Successful Behavior- Ryan Jeffry, Owner

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**Service Areas:** Howard, Montgomery, and Prince George’s Counties, and Southern Maryland in the Waldorf area.