

## **Project SEARCH**

## **Project Search Overview**

#### Mission

In 1995 the American College of Healthcare Executives adopted a policy statement that reads, in part, "...healthcare executives must take the lead in their organizations to increase employment opportunities for qualified persons with disabilities and to advocate on behalf of their employment to other organizations in their communities."

With this statement as a guiding principle, Project SEARCH serves people with disabilities through innovative workforce and career development. Through this process we educate employers about the potential of this underutilized workforce while meeting their human resource needs.

Project SEARCH provides employment and education opportunities for individuals with significant disabilities. The program is dedicated to workforce development that benefits the individual, community and workplace.

# **Project SEARCH Programs**

### Adult Employment Program

Comprehensive employment, job retention, and career advancement services for adults with disabilities.

## High School Transition Program

A one-year, worksite-based school-to-work program for youths with developmental and / or physical disabilities in their last year of high school eligibility.

#### Vocational-Education Clinic

A highly individualized approach for Cincinnati Children's patients with disabilities or chronic illness (ages 14 and older) to address vocational, educational, training and employment goals.

## Program Replication and Dissemination

Tours, individualized consultation, and group workshops for supported employment and special education professionals.

For more information about Project SEARCH at Cincinnati Children's, please go to:

http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/svc/alpha/p/search/default.htm