Linking Employment, Abilities and Potential (LEAP)

Name

DISABILITY AWARENESS QUIZ

Date

Results

Circle the letter of the correct answer

1. Everyone is likely to experience disability at some point in his/her life
   a. True
   b. False

2. Discrimination against persons with disabilities is prohibited in...?
   a. The Workplace
   b. Education
   c. Private Housing
   d. Public Programs
   e. All of the Above

3. What percentage of serious crimes against disabled persons are prosecuted?
   a. 45%
   b. 30%
   c. 15%
   d. 5%
4. All women are at equal risk of being victims of sexual assault regardless of disability
   a. True
   b. False

5. How many people in the United States currently experience some sort of disability?
   a. Under 20 Million
   b. 30 Million
   c. 40 Million
   d. Over 50 Million

6. 78% of people without disabilities report being employed full or part time. What percentage of people with disabilities report this?
   a. 78%
   b. 59%
   c. 46%
   d. 35%

7. Schools, landlords, employers, and governments only have to make their services accessible to people with disabilities if they can afford to do so.
   a. True
   b. False
8. Accessibility means equal access to which of the following?
   a. The Physical Environment
   b. Transportation
   c. Information
   d. Technology
   e. All of the Above

9. Words such as wheelchair bound, handicapped or special needs child are acceptable to use.
   a. True
   b. False
Disability Awareness Quiz ANSWERS

A - True. According to the UN’s Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Handbook for Parliamentarians, “Everyone is likely to experience disability at some point during his/her lifetime because of illness, accident, or aging.”1

2. E - All of the Above. The laws Congress has enacted as specific statutory protections for people with disabilities, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, prohibit discrimination against persons with disabilities in any public program, in private housing, in education, in the workplace, etc.

3. D - 5%. According to a 2001 survey by the Boston Globe in Massachusetts, only 5% of serious crimes against people with disabilities were prosecuted, compared to 70% for similar crimes against people without disabilities.

4. B - False. Studies suggest that women with developmental disabilities are 4 to 10 times as likely to be sexually assaulted as other women.

5. D - Over 50 Million. 56.7 million people in the US have a disability. At least 1 in 5 people in the United States personally experience some form of disability, a number that is growing rapidly as the population ages.

6. D - 35%. According to a 2004 survey, only 35% of people with disabilities report being employed full or part time, compared to 78% of people without disabilities.

7. B - False. The laws in the United States require schools, landlords, employers, and governments to make their services available to people with disabilities by providing reasonable accommodations or modifications.

8. E - All of the Above Accessibility is equal access to the physical environment, transportation, information, communications, technology, and other services open to the public.

9. B - False. People-first language puts emphasis on placing the individual BEFORE the disability. Two examples are people with disabilities, not disabled people, or the manager who is blind and not the blind manager.

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