

Employment Resource Guide

This guide provides many education and employment resources and programs available through Iowa Total Care and throughout the state of Iowa.

Iowa Employment Facts

Iowa's unemployment rate is currently 2.9%.²

Manufacturing is the largest industry by employment. These jobs can include; machine operator, assembler, auditors, welders, engineers, painters, and carpenters.²

A Registered Apprenticeship Program offers on- the job internships where you learn while earning a paycheck from day one. Apprentice training can include; plumbing, cosmetology, HVAC, sheet metal workers and more.

Welders who completed the Registered Apprenticeship Program were earning a **median annual income of \$91,304** four years after completion.²

Many high demand jobs in Iowa are eligible for scholarships and grants.¹ High demand jobs include, but are not limited to; truck drivers, registered nurses, software programmers, bus drivers, dental assistants, medical assistants and cooks.

Resources

iowatotalcare.findhelp.org: Find programs and assistance for work, food, shelter, healthcare, financial needs, and more.

[IowaWorks](http://iowaworks.gov/vosnet/default.aspx) (iowaworks.gov/vosnet/default.aspx): Serves job seekers and businesses with a number of workforce needs. In-person and virtual services are available. Iowans both employed and unemployed can receive services to support their future career path. Services include one-on-one career assistance, virtual workshops and resume building, labor market information, unemployment assistance, and connection to training and workforce programs.

[Iowa Workforce Development Center](http://workforce.iowa.gov) (workforce.iowa.gov): Your destination to finding employment and new career opportunities in Iowa.

The Iowa Total Care Resource Team can assist by locating resources and options to address needs. Contact our Resource Specialist: ITC_Resource_Referral@IowaTotalCare.com

[Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services \(IVRS\)](http://ivrs.iowa.gov) (ivrs.iowa.gov): Employment program for individuals who experience a disability.

[Iowa Jobs for America's Graduates \(iJAG\)](http://ijag.org) (ijag.org): Vocational services for students

[Job Accommodation Network \(JAN\)](http://askjan.org) (askjan.org): Provides ideas and information about job accommodation, addressing a variety of barriers.

[Medicaid for Employed People with Disabilities \(MEPD\)](https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/welcome-iowa-medicare/iowa-medicare-programs/mepd) (hhs.iowa.gov/programs/welcome-iowa-medicare/iowa-medicare-programs/mepd): Program for people with disabilities who are employed.

[Evelyn Davis Center for Working Families](http://evelynkdaviscenter.org) (evelynkdaviscenter.org): Workforce training and employment supports.

[Iowa Bureau of Refugee Services](https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/refugee-services) (hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/refugee-services): Program for refugees looking for a career path matching values and goals.

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Visit the [Job Resources](#) webpage for more information on employment and education resources.

