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Public Law Sec. A-1. 26 MRSA c. 39 is enacted to read: Employment First Maine Act went into affect in October 2013

§3303. State agencies; requirements

1. Employment as core component of services and supports.

2. First and preferred service or support option.
3. Coordination of efforts and information.

4. Pursuit of employment; option.

5. **Rulemaking.** A state agency shall adopt rules to implement this chapter. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.
The Employment First Coalition Meets 2nd Tuesday at The Commerce Center 11-1

Overall Work Group Updates:
• Chair and membership, DHHS reps still needed
• Project Plan developed and posted
• Meetings occurring regularly, report out occurs every other month- action notes and minutes posted
• **Policy and Legislation**-Vision Quest, Legislation
• **Business Engagement**-Business Survey, RI Summit, Me-BLN
• **Capacity Building**-Provider Survey
• **Transition**-Systems Improvement-PP
• **Data**-Gathering baseline employment data
• **Communication**-new website, logo, communication policy
How to get Involved...

- Read the Project Plans, give feedback to a Chair
- Come to the Coalition Meetings
- Join a workgroup –DATA!!!!
- Assess your Department based on requirement in law
- Attend an Employment event- Maine APSE, have someone come to speak from EFM

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