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Employment Toolkit

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Introduction

Looking for work, landing a job, and keeping your job can be difficult under the best of circumstances. Whether you are a college student seeking employment for the first time, someone who is returning to the workplace, or someone who wants to keep your job, employment issues can seem like a minefield if you have a hearing loss.

There are ways to be successful at the workplace with a hearing loss. Landing a good job, fitting into the workplace, and successfully advocating for the right accommodations that will make you a productive and valued employee can all be accomplished. But you need the right tools, need to do your homework, find out what's right for you and for your employer, and find ways to successfully advocate for yourself.

There are many employment handbooks that will help you write a resume, answer interview questions, find ways to fit into the workplace, even find ways to become a leader once in the workplace. We urge you to educate yourself, use as many resources as you can to find and excel in the job that's best for you.

In these pages, we will focus on the issues that face employees with hearing loss, provide tools to help you overcome obstacles, and give tips to make your life a little easier in the workplace.