

Announcing Hiram G. Andrews Center's

Career Readiness, Employment and Transitional Evaluation

"CREATE"

Who? High school students, age **16 to 21**, who are PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Customers, who would benefit from a week-long experience geared toward making the transition from school to work, and meet HGAC admissions criteria (see separate attachment).

What? The **CREATE** Program offers students the opportunity to discover their strengths and abilities in both an individual and group setting. Through assessments, career research and community-based activities, students will be more prepared for their school-to-work transition. Students may use what they learn to mold and "create" their vocational future, ultimately becoming responsible "creators" of their independence. Individuals will be dormitory residents, with both structured day and evening programming provided. **CREATE services include:**

- **Vocational Assessments**
- **Career Exploration**
- **Work Readiness**
- **Independent Living Skills Assessment**
- **Community-Based Activities**
- **Residential/Leisure Skills Assessment**

When? HGAC is accepting referrals immediately for these one-week per month sessions which will begin June, 2016, and continue to be offered throughout the calendar year.

How? PA OVR District Counselors may refer individuals through CWDS via the HGAC referral form. (Please reference referral instructions which accompany this notice under separate attachment.) Questions regarding programming may be directed to **Cindy Martin, Director of Allied Health** at **814.254.0417** or cymartin@pa.gov. Space is limited to five students per week, so make your referrals quickly!