



Easter Seals Presentation

Job Search Strategies

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What you should take away

- where do I start
- my first job
- networking



Where Do I Start

- be strategic, don't apply to every job ad
- look for jobs valuing diversity
- review job websites for value statements
 - a. align with positions focused on disability inclusion such as "inclusive workplace," "accessibility," or "accommodations."
- arrange brief networking discussions before applying



My First Job

- you have valuable skills
- look for jobs that share your values
- review websites not just job ads



Networking

A professional network is essential for a job search.

Establishing an Effective Network:

- ask questions about their role
- attend networking events or job fairs (e.g., in-person or virtual)
- demonstrate knowledge from their website
- social media - linkedIn at [linkedin.com](https://www.linkedin.com)
- avoid controlling the conversation and hold most questions until the end



Resources

- <https://allardyceemploymentservices.godaddysites.com/>
- <https://discoverability.network/>
- <https://www.ontario.ca/page/careers-student-and-new-professionals>
- <https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/hiring/persons-with-disabilities>