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Workforce Connection introduces new learning opportunities for job seekers

(OCALA, Fla.) – Starting Monday, Oct. 24, Workforce Connection will offer a variety of new workshops for job seekers interested in sharpening employability skills.

All new programs, open to job seekers in Citrus, Levy and Marion counties, take place at the Workforce Connection Center, at 2703 NE 14th St., in Ocala. There is no charge to attend, but participants must be fully registered with Workforce through the Employ Florida Marketplace (EFM) at www.EmployFlorida.com.

Additional registration requirements vary depending on the program:

- **Targeted Resume/Open Resume Lab** held each Monday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. This staff-assisted lab helps job seekers learn how to market themselves more effectively to the employer, identify strengths and transferable skills, and develop additional strategies. No additional registration is required, but space is limited.
- **“Savvy Cents: Guide to Financial Literacy and Independence”** takes place the fourth Tuesday of each month beginning Oct. 25. Presented by RBC Banks, the seminar focuses on establishing banking relationships and making the most of money with smart saving and spending. Must pre-register by calling 352-732-1700, ext. 2207 or 800-434-JOBS, ext. 2207.
- **“Navigating the New World of Work”** takes place every Tuesday-Thursday beginning Oct. 25 and includes three sessions, each lasting two-hours. Participants are asked to commit to all three workshops in the series, which cover identifying abilities and transferable skills, job search strategies/targeted resume development, and interviewing skills/follow up. Participants will also learn how to work more effectively with their Employment Consultant/Placement Specialist. Registration is required by visiting one of the Workforce Connection centers in Ocala, Inverness or Chiefland.

Workforce Connection also continues to offer **“Retooling and Refueling for Success”** for professionals and veterans. Each three-day workshop features a variety of instructors to provide career tools and help participants develop strategies to keep focused and successful during career transitions. The workshops take place at the College of Central Florida’s Ocala campus. Eligibility requirements apply in addition to being fully registered with Employ Florida.

Retooling and Refueling workshops for veterans take place Tuesday, Oct. 25 – Thursday, Oct. 27 and Dec. 13-15. The next workshop for professionals is set for Nov. 15-17. Registration is required; to sign up, email a professional resume to Projobs@clmworkforce.com or call 800-434-JOBS and ask to speak with a Workforce representative. More information is available at www.clmworkforce.com.

Workforce Connection is the local, business-led organization that strives to connect qualified workers with local employers in Citrus, Levy and Marion counties through cost-effective, high quality employment, training and education services in partnership with businesses, community-based organizations, educational institutions and governmental agencies.

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