Tools For Success

*Transitions to Work* continues to grow. We are thrilled with the leadership roles our graduates have achieved and continue to provide new tools and training for their continued success.

Is a Disability Real if it is not Physical?
Thank you to Benjamin A. Winnick for this second article written for The Ruderman Family Foundation in a series entitled “Issues I Face as a Working Adult with a Disability”. Ben is a *Transitions to Work* graduate and currently works in the commercial kitchen at New Bridge on the Charles, an assisted living facility in Dedham, MA. [http://www.rudermanfoundation.org/blog/employment-of-people-with-disabilities/disability-real-physical](http://www.rudermanfoundation.org/blog/employment-of-people-with-disabilities/disability-real-physical)

Transitions to Work Dec. 2 Alumni Event
We are excited to host our second *Transitions to Work Alumni Connections Event* featuring IMPACT: Ability – a Safety and Self-Advocacy Workshop. Attendees will learn an introduction to self-protection skills including: Strong body language; awareness of their surroundings; assertive communication with strangers and a familiar person; and how to report uncomfortable or dangerous situations. The training presentation is facilitated by Triangle, Inc. The event will be held on December 2, 2014 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Combined Jewish Philanthropies, 126 High Street, Boston, MA 02110. A light dinner will be served. Please RSVP by November 21 to Meagan Keane: mkeane@jvs-boston.org

*Transitions to Work* continues to connect with new employers to educate on inclusive hiring and build employer partnerships. Please let us know if you or someone you know might be interested in exploring *Transitions to Work* as a fit for your or their company. We appreciate the leadership of our employer partners in hiring individuals of all abilities for employment opportunities. Please support these companies and spread the word by joining *Transitions to Work* on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/transitionstoworkboston](http://www.facebook.com/transitionstoworkboston). To learn more about *Transitions to Work* or view inclusive hiring tools, please visit: [www.cjp.org/transitionstowork](http://www.cjp.org/transitionstowork).