TECH POINTS – Reaching Successful Employment Outcomes with Rehabilitation Technology

- 1. Who <u>plays the most critical role</u> for rehabilitation technology to be used in the vocational rehabilitation process?
 - a. Consumer
 - b. Rehabilitation counselor
 - c. Rehabilitation technology specialist
 - d. Other
- 2. What do you think the main challenge is in your state regarding how well rehabilitation technology is being used to help consumers reach their employment goals?
 - a. _____
- 3. Approximately how many designated rehabilitation technology specialists (rehabilitation engineers; rehab tech specialists; etc.) are available to provide technology services to individuals served by your state VR agency?
 - a. 1-3
 - b. 4-6
 - c. 7-10
 - d. 11 or more
- 4. Are these rehabilitation technology specialists staff of the VR agency?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
- 5. Does the cost of technology or other accommodation strategies have any impact on whether rehabilitation technology is recommended?
 - a. Major impact
 - b. Some influence
 - c. Slight influence
 - d. No impact

- 6. Are there assistive technology demonstration or tryout centers in your state?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
- 7. How frequently would you estimate that job accommodations are used with individuals who are served by your VR agency?
 - a. Less than 10%
 - b. 10-25%
 - c. 26-50%
 - d. 51-75%
 - e. over 75%
- 8. How receptive are employers to considering possible job accommodations when hiring or retaining someone who has a disability?
 - a. Very receptive
 - b. Somewhat Receptive
 - c. Not very receptive
 - d. Not receptive
- 9. What training do staff in your VR agency receive on "rehabilitation technology"? (check all that apply)
 - a. New employee orientation
 - b. Presentations/workshops at state or national conferences
 - c. Periodic in-service training workshops
 - d. Periodic small group "Lunch and Learn" sessions with vendors or tech specialists
 - e. Distance education
 - f. Other:
- 10.Field staff in the VR agency in your state (rehab counselors; placement specialists; job coaches; etc.) receive training on rehabilitation technology . . .
 - a. more than once each year

- b. at least once each year
- c. once every 2-3 years
- d. not on a regularly scheduled basis