



## Office for People With Developmental Disabilities

### NEWS ADVISORY

**For Immediate Release:** October 18, 2017

**Contact:** Denise DeCarlo

[Denise.M.DeCarlo@opwdd.ny.gov](mailto:Denise.M.DeCarlo@opwdd.ny.gov)

### STATE AGENCY FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PRESENTS “WORKS FOR ME” EMPLOYMENT AWARDS

**\*\*\*FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY\*\*\***

**Thursday, October 19, 2017**

**What:** The Office for People With Developmental Disabilities will honor six businesses at its 9<sup>th</sup> *Works for Me* awards celebration which will also recognize their employees with disabilities in a video profile (supporting video b-roll of profiles available upon request).

**Where:** Huxley Theater  
New York State Museum  
222 Madison Avenue  
Albany, NY

**When:** Thursday, October 19  
10:00am – Noon

**Who:** Helene DeSanto, Acting Executive Deputy Commissioner of OPWDD  
Emcee WNYT News Channel 13’s Benita Zahn  
“Works For Me” Honorees and their employees

**Background:** The *Works For Me* celebration honors selected businesses in New York State for their commitment to workforce diversity. The event celebrates the partnership between businesses and valued employees with developmental disabilities, resulting in a truly unique event.

###