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THAT FOSTER self-determination.

Employment First Missouri Training Series

Language Issues in Supporting Individuals with Disabilities

Thursday, March 27, 2025

1:00 - 2:30pm CST

This session will look at employment for people with disabilities and the importance of providing services and supports in a way that is sensitive to and responsive. You'll also learn about the ongoing evolution of language in describing people with disabilities, the difference between person-first and identify-first, and the importance of honoring individual preferences. [Registration is required.](#)

Please email leslie.quarles@umb.edu questions or accommodation requests.

[Register for the full training series.](#)

Employment First Missouri, a collaborative between the Division of Developmental Disabilities and the Institute for Community Inclusion at University of Massachusetts-Boston, offers monthly professional development opportunities to facilitate employment support professional training requirements.



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