



From People with Skills to People with Jobs: Building Employability Partnerships for Individuals with IDD

This colloquium and guided discussion will be led by
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Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) continue to face challenges obtaining and maintaining meaningful employment. Employment success requires more than job readiness; transportation, self-advocacy, independence, communication, family preparation, and workplace supports can influence outcomes.

This interactive presentation explores gaps between developing employment skills and achieving sustained employment. Through discussion, participant responses, and a case-based activity, participants will identify individual strengths, interests, barriers, and support needs while considering shared responsibility among individuals with IDD, families, practitioners, and employment partners. Participants will develop an Employability Partnership Plan that addresses barriers, identifies supports, and establishes actionable next steps toward meaningful employment.



**Friday, November 13, 2026
5:30 - 7 PM via Zoom**

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