National Disability Employment Awareness Month

Virtual Training

What to Expect:

Tennessee Department of Human Services (TDHS) is here to help employers and business owners find positive solutions when valuable employees acquire a disability. Join our Division of Rehabilitation Services and retired Army Sgt. 1st Class Michael Schlitz for a virtual training session that will answer many of the common questions about resources and best practices for hiring and retaining employees with disabilities.

Register for this virtual training with the URL below: https://tn.webex.com/tn/j.php?

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10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. EST



Army Sgt. 1st Class Michael Schlitz is a veteran who knows the reality of continuing life and work after acquiring a disability. In February of 2007, while serving in Southern Baghdad, Schlitz and his platoon experienced an explosion that threw him from his vehicle, killing his driver, gunner and medic. Schlitz sustained burns on 85% of his body, lost vision in his left eye and became a double amputee. Now retired and the recipient of multiple valorous medals for his honorable service to our country, Schlitz is on a new mission to give back to veteran communities and "live a better life for the friends he lost that day; a life they would be proud of." He travels the country to speak to many audiences, including Congress, about veteran issues and is heavily invested in veteran mentorship and related non-profits. In October 2022, Sgt. 1st Class Schlitz will share his insight on the topic of valuing and hiring employees for their strengths and not their disabilities.