



## **Employment First Ambassador: Roles and Responsibilities**

**Employment First (EF) Ambassadors** are people with disabilities (& their family members) who have jobs in their communities & understand the importance of advocating for policies and services that will help *everyone* with disabilities get jobs in their communities.

### **EF Ambassadors support Employment First and believe that:**

- Everyone can work in the community
- There is a job for everyone in the community no matter how significant their disability
- Schools, families, and businesses must raise their expectations about people with disabilities working
- People are healthier, safer, and happier when they work
- Integrated employment is good for the employers, individuals, and the economy

### **EF Ambassadors will be asked to:**

- Learn about Employment First
- Meet with legislators and policy-makers to tell them why it is important for them to support the Employment First
- Share their personal employment stories by presenting at conferences, meetings, schools, and community events
- Meet with employers to talk about why they work and why hiring people with disabilities is good for business
- Be part of videos and Public Service Announcements to help educate others about the importance of Employment First
- Be part of the Employment First Conference every year