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To: Employment First stakeholders

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Re: [Employment First](#): Training dates for DD/VR/ODE trainings

(Please forward to your local partners & stakeholders)

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A series of trainings on “Better Employment Success Together” have been scheduled from April through August statewide. VR, ODDS and ODE are presenting these trainings in nine locations. The theme is “Joint Training around Managing Transition Points.” The agenda is attached.

Participants will explore and discuss effective and collaborative transfers from schools to VR and DD services; from DD to VR services and from VR to DD services. Topics will include Discovery and Job Stabilization. There will also be information about the new 20 hour policy standard.

The first training, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, April 28, in Baker City, is listed in the [Learning Center](#). A flyer is attached with information on the Baker City training. The others will be scheduled soon. To register for this session, search for course classroom - Better Employment Success Together (BEST) (C05573) in the DHS [Learning Center](#).

As soon as all dates are in the Learning Center, we will let everyone know. In the meantime, we would like to invite service coordinators, personal agents, VR counselors and teachers to please **Save the Date** for these upcoming trainings in your area. Providers are also invited to attend the training in the afternoon.

Dates for VR/ODDS/ODE training:

- April 28 – Baker City (Best Western Sunridge Inn)
- May 10 – Multnomah County
- May 12 – Redmond
- June 1 – Clackamas
- June 16 – Roseburg
- June 17 – Washington County
- June 28 – Eugene/Springfield
- June 30 – Salem
- Aug. 17 – Medford

If you have comments or other questions, please email them to employment.first@state.or.us

~ Acacia