You're Invited

Kansas START Program Launch

Tuesday
January 26th, 2027
9 am – 12 pm

Join us as we celebrate the launch of Kansas START!

We are excited to introduce Kansas START, a new community resource for people with intellectual and development disabilities (IDD) and mental health (MH) needs. This virtual event is an opportunity to learn about the START Model, meet the team brining these services to Kansas, and explore how we can work together to strengthen community supports.

What is START

START is an evidence-informed, community-based crisis prevention and intervention service model for people ages 6 and older with IDD and MH needs. The START Model focuses on preventing crisis, strengthening community supports, and building partnerships to help people, their families, and caregivers, experience greater stability and success in their communities.

What to Expect

- **Learn About the START Model:** Discover START's approach to crisis prevention and intervention and how it supports people, families, and community partners.
- **See START in Action:** Explore real-world examples of how START works alongside existing services and supports.
- **Get to Know Kansas START:** Meet the local services provider and START team, hear about plans for the program, and learn how to make a referral and connect with START services.

Who Should Attend

Everyone is welcome! We encourage anyone interested in learning about Kansas START and strengthening community supports for people with IDD-MH needs to join us, including:

- People & Families
- IDD Service Providers
- Mental Health & Crisis Response Professionals
- Healthcare Providers
- Educators
- Advocates
- Community Organizations
- Other Partners

How to Attend

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CLICK HERE or scan the QR code to register to attend

This is a FREE Virtual Event!

2 Contact Hours (0.2 UNH CEUs) Available for Attendance

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