

The Miller Trust

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This session will provide you with information related to the Miller Trust and how it relates to the customers you serve. You will learn the history of the Miller Trust, the effects it has on public assistance programs and specifically how the clients you serve can benefit from obtaining one. You will also learn how to identify potentially eligible individuals, how to complete the paperwork, and how to make referrals to the Family Support Division. At the end of this session you will have a better understanding of the Miller Trust and the benefits it offers and feel the confidence in sharing this information with your clients and assisting them through the process.

Presenters:

Vonne Karraker, Attorney at Law graduated from the University of Kentucky with a degree in French. After receiving a Juris Doctor degree from Case Western Reserve University, Vonne worked for Progressive Insurance Companies and the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court. She then worked as a staff attorney for Legal Services of Southern Missouri until 2006, when she opened her private practice. In 2012, Vonne joined Kevan Karraker to form Manley, Karraker & Karraker, P.C.

Umo Ironbar, Attorney at Law is the Special Counsel for the Department of Social Services (DSS) within the Family Support Division (FSD). As the primary legal counsel for the Department's largest division, it is her responsibility to ensure the agency's compliance with multiple, complex federal and state laws, as well as regulations the agency has promulgated. Her duties also include leading and supervising a team of attorneys in the mission of DSS. Her areas of law within FSD include Contract Law and Administrative Law. Umo attended St. Louis University School of Law where she received a Health Law concentration.

Shellie Bledsoe has been employed by the Family Support Division for a total of 19 years. She is currently the Program Development Specialist in the MO HealthNet Program and Policy Unit. She works closely with Division of Legal Services in developing the State's Rules and Regulations for public assistance programs; she writes policy for the Income Maintenance programs, and assists staff statewide in interpreting the rules the agency follows so that staff can apply those rules correctly when determining eligibility for public assistance programs. She specializes in reading Trusts and Annuities for the entire state and provides guidance to staff on how they affect eligibility for adult programs such as MO HealthNet for Age, Blind and Disabled; Home & Community Based Services; Nursing Home programs; and the Non-Spend Down and Spend Down programs.

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