



Strength-Based Teaching and Coaching



Do your students tend to focus on the negative, or get caught up in defeatist patterns? What can you do to help them focus on their potential to problem-solve... instead of over-focusing on their faults?

Join us for an interactive discussion on the **strength-based approach**, a social work framework that encourages action,

reflection, and change. Strength-based teachers and coaches do NOT just give out flowery, feel-good compliments. They give students the authority to make their own decisions about which problems they want to address and the steps they want to take to address them. They recognize that students are the best evaluators of how their solutions are going. Whether your students are ESL, ABE or GED—and whether their most pressing challenges lie in the classroom or outside of it—this workshop will give you strategies for how to work with your students in new ways.

This program is designed for adult education teaching staff and other staff members at your agency. You need not work exclusively with adult learners to attend.

Co-presenters **Suzanne Zoheri Chopra, LCSW** and **Lindsey Bailey, LCSW** are clinical social workers with Saint Anthony Hospital's Community Wellness Program. Suzanne counsels and supports ESL, ABE and GED adult learners at The Learning Center, a member agency of Literacy Works. Lindsey works with Spanish-speaking adults in the Little Village and Brighton neighborhoods.

Thurs. August 9, 2018 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Erie Neighborhood House 1347 W Erie, Chicago

REGISTRATION: Please RSVP. Space is limited. Free to Literacy Works members; \$20 for others. To register, please e-mail **register@litworks.org** with your information: Name / Email address / Phone number / Agency / Job role.

Part of Literacy Works' **Peer Learning Series** on Adult Education and Social Services, an endeavor to share knowledge across agencies and sectors with the goal of creating institutional change.