## **Answers and Scoring**

- 1. False—While there are special rules for each program, most people can work part time and have more total money to spend. We can get you more information about your special case.
- **2. False**—Many people can keep their Medicaid by staying under certain income limits. More information is available.
- **3. True**—Your Employment Specialist can inform employers about financial incentives and other free supports available to make your employment situation successful.
- 4. False—Research shows most people feel better and have less trouble with mental health symptoms when they are working.
- 5. False—Beware! The employment game has changed significantly with the economy! Your Employment Specialist can help you to navigate complicated application processes and can coach you to be prepared for the new style of interviews.
- **6. True**—Our team works under the philosophy that anyone who genuinely wants to work can work.
- 7. False—We work with your local State DVR office (and other funding sources) so that our services are of no cost to you.
- **8. False**—Your Employment Specialist will team with you to help you get a job in the competitive job market.
- False—You can ask your Employment Specialist for help to get work in any field that fits your skills and interests.
- **10. False**—Our consumers consistently find gainful employment.

### If you scored ... —

- **7-10** You are too smart to not come meet with an Employment Specialist. We would love to help you get a great job if you don't have one!
- **3 7** You could probably benefit from meeting with an Employment Specialist and clearing up some of the facts about employment and your situation.
- You should definitely come meet with an Employment Specialist and hear about what Employment Services might be able to do for you. Come and learn what your options are!

### **About Community Reach Center**

Founded in 1957, Community Reach Center is a top-tier community mental health provider located in Adams County, Colorado. The Center offers evidence-based behavioral health services for all ages. Services are provided at five outpatient offices as well as in schools, emergency rooms, physician offices and detention centers. Community Reach Center is a 501[c][3] non-profit organization.

Services include individual and group therapy, early childhood and School-Based services, substance abuse treatment, emergency services, psychological testing, therapeutic support groups, wellness programs, and more!

The Center is committed to integrating mental healthcare with primary healthcare in order to support the overall health and recovery of its clients.



# Community Reach Center Office Locations:

#### **BRIGHTON**

1850 Egbert St., #200 Brighton, CO 80601

# COMMERCE CITY

4371 E. 72nd Ave. Commerce City, CO 80022

#### **NORTHGLENN**

11285 Highline Dr. Northglenn, CO 80233

#### **THORNTON**

8931 & 8989 Huron St. Thornton, CO 80260

#### **WESTMINSTER**

3031 W. 76th Ave. Westminster, CO 80030



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# **ABOUT EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**



## **Employment Services**

Do you want to work, but have concerns about losing your benefits or not being able to work because of your mental health?

Research shows that most people will feel better about themselves and have less mental health symptoms when they are working. Being employed is likely to help increase your self-esteem, bring you out of isolation and have a little bit of extra money.

Our Employment Specialists will help you look for employment that reflects your skills and interests. We'll help you with writing a resume, a cover letter and help you practice for interviews. You will have ongoing support from your treatment team as well as from Employment Specialists, even after you've found a job! Let us help you find a job that is right for you.

# Available Services Get Help With:

- Discovering your interests & strengths
- Writing a resume
- · Finding job leads
- Applying for jobs
- Writing cover letters
- Practicing interview skills
- Negotiating with employers
- Handling challenges at work
- Maintaining your new job



#### **Fact or Fiction Quiz?**

Take the following simple quiz to find out if you might benefit from Employment Services at Community Reach Center.
(Answers and Scoring on reverse side).

#### True or False?

- T F 1. You cannot work if you have SSI or SSDI benefits.
- T F 2. You will automatically lose your Medicaid/ Medicare if you start earning money.
- **T F** 3. Employers have good reasons to hire people with disabilities and/or criminal backgrounds.
- T F 4. Your mental health symptoms will probably get worse if you try to do too much.
- T F 5. You already know how to apply for a job, because you have applied for jobs in the past.
- T F 6. You are ready to work on employment goals if you are just motivated.
- T F 7. It will cost too much to enroll in another service at Community Reach Center.
- **T F** 8. Your Community Reach Center Employment Specialist will definitely find a job for you?
- T F 9. Employment Specialists can only help with jobs in janitorial work and at fast food restaurants.
- **T F** 10. The job market is too bad right now. Looking for a job at a time like this is pointless.

To schedule an appointment with an Employment Specialist, see your care coordinator for a referral.