

# JOBWISE

Joint Opportunities for **B**ridging **W**ellness, **I**ntegration of  
Community Services, and **S**upported **E**mployment

## Demonstration Project Summary

### Goals

- Increase thriving during the move from child to adult serving systems.
- Adopt a comprehensive framework for moving from child to adult serving system that can be applied to both clinical and community settings.
- Improve family and caregiver self-efficacy during the move from child to adult serving systems.

### Overview

**JOBWISE is a demonstration project focused on developing a framework to improve movement from child to adult serving systems and increase parent and family self-efficacy of navigating these changes that can be implemented in Colorado Case Management Agencies.** JOBWISE will explore the impact of employment on overall health and thriving/quality of life for autistic youth (AY) with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (IDD) between the ages of 14-26 on a Medicaid waiver living in Denver and Adams counties.

- **The first goal** of JOBWISE is to increase thriving during the move from child to adult serving systems including vocational rehabilitation, Medicaid waivers, and healthcare. Case management systems can adopt the JOBWISE framework with technical assistance from the team at the Colorado Office of Employment First (COEF). AY with IDD in the designated case management agencies can receive collaborative case management services using the comprehensive JOBWISE framework.
- **The second goal** of JOBWISE is to adopt a comprehensive framework for moving from child to adult serving systems that applies to both clinical and community settings. The framework can be used by all stakeholders in identified areas involved in supporting the move from child to adult serving systems. JOBWISE streamlines this movement for youth by offering a consistent framework covering both health and community settings, thereby reducing barriers and confusion.
- **The third goal** of JOBWISE is to improve family and caregiver self-efficacy during the move from child to adult serving systems. This project includes family training to enhance their understanding of the movement between child and adult serving systems and boost overall self-efficacy, including topics like finding an adult primary care provider, integrating employment with education, managing health's impact on employment, accessing adult long-term supports and services, and the significance of benefits counseling.

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## Partnership Request

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