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**A Guide for School
to Work Transition**

DVR... It's about EMPLOYMENT

What families should know.....

Who does DVR help?

- Individuals with disabilities

What does DVR do?

- Helps youth prepare for, get and keep jobs

How do people qualify for DVR's help?

- Eligibility is based on barriers to employment due to a disability

What are the steps in the DVR process?

Apply for services

If eligible, services are provided

If not, other options are explored

Find a job that matches interests

Abilities

Get to work → case closure

What are the goals for my child?

Based on needs of the

Child goal

When should my child apply with DVR?

- When their focus shifts from education to employment and they are available to actively participate in services

How can family members help?

- Provide information to DVR
- Ask questions
- Support self-determination and independence
- Begin discussing work at home
- Identify the youth's strengths
- Catch and address early signs of behavior that an employer would not accept
- Work on "soft skills" at home
- Maintain high expectations of your youth

How does my child qualify for services?

- By having difficulty with anything related to work that is based on a physical, mental or emotional challenge

Does DVR work for everybody?

- Generally yes— success depends on the partnership between the DVR counselor, the young adult, and their family

Are there limits on what DVR can do?

- Yes—services are based on the individual and must be necessary, appropriate and at least possible cost to the agency

What should my child bring to their DVR intake appointment?

- Copies of available assessments, plans or information
 - Most recent IEP and triennial
 - Medical information
 - Any information pertaining to vocational activities completed in school
- Documentation of lawful US presence (e.g.: Colorado identification card)
- Their social security number