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## EMPLOYMENT FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES OPEN HOUSE OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup>

DENVER (October 17, 2017) – The Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition (CDCC), the premier organization in Colorado for advocating for disability rights, and the Denver Housing Authority are hosting an Employment Advocacy Open House for all people with disabilities, their families, employers, and services providers.

The Open House is perfect for people with disabilities who are looking for a job or who are getting back into the workforce, as well as anyone needing to know the steps to take to protect their essential benefits. Attendees will have access to benefits and employment experts and be able to ask questions about career-oriented jobs, small business ownership, Medicaid Buy-in, Social Security, housing, and more.

This community event is open to the general public.

Scheduled speakers will address topics related to employment of people with disabilities such as:

- How do you work when you are on SSI or SSDI
- How do you work if you are applying for SSI and SSDI
- Medicaid Buy-In for working adults with disabilities: what it is, how to enroll and how it allows you to work, earn an income and keep your Medicaid

**WHO:** The Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition and the Denver Housing Authority

**WHEN:** Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**WHERE:** 3550 West 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Denver, CO 80204

A free lunch will be provided and prizes awarded throughout the day.

Get ticket and speaker schedule information [here](#), or call Brenda at 303-319-6955, or email Julie Reiskin at [jreiskin@ccdconline.org](mailto:jreiskin@ccdconline.org).

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**About CCDC:** The Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition (CCDC) advocates for social justice for people with all types of disabilities. The CCDC is the premier organization in Colorado for advocating for disability rights. We work with individuals, service providers, and governmental agencies to ensure that people with disabilities have equal rights and equal access. We ensure physical structures are compliant and that policies and procedures decrease barriers. We seek compliance with the ADA and help others to accomplish the same.

**About the Denver Housing Authority:** The Denver Housing Authority is a quasi-municipal corporation with a portfolio of over 11,000 units and housing choice vouchers, providing affordable housing to more than 26,000 very low, low and middle income individuals representing over 10,000 families. DHA has transformed public housing in Denver creating vibrant, revitalized, sustainable, transit oriented, and mixed-income community of choice. Today, DHA's vision has been honed to reflect the goal that every individual or family shall have quality and affordable housing, in communities offering empowerment, economic opportunity, and a vibrant living environment. Denver Housing Authority's mission is to serve the residents of Denver by developing, owning, and operating safe, decent and affordable housing in a manner that promotes thriving communities. DHA is governed by a nine-member Board of Commissioners appointed by the Mayor of Denver and approved by the City Council.