Colorado Office for Independent Living Services,
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

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March is National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, an opportunity to celebrate the many contributions people with developmental disabilities make to our society.

The National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities, Association of University Centers on Disabilities and National Disability Rights Network have partnered to launch a social media campaign to highlight the many ways in which people with and without developmental disabilities come together to form strong, diverse communities.
• Objectives

• Describe the role of the Office for Independent Living Services

• Explain how the Office works with the Centers and Colorado SILC

• Discuss the opportunities for collaboration with the I/DD communities
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- Centers for Independent Living
  - SB 16-093, oversee and manage contracts
  - Increase understanding of core services
  - Help state partners and service system agencies learn the valuable resources
  - Collaboratively partner to build service capacity
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- Colorado Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)
- Serve as the fiscal agent
- Support their work to develop and monitor the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL)
- Work in partnership to support the Colorado SILC mission
- [http://coloradosilc.org/](http://coloradosilc.org/)
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- Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
  - [https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dvr/](https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dvr/)

- Colorado Department of Labor and Employment
  - [https://www.colorado.gov/cdle](https://www.colorado.gov/cdle)
Collaboration Opportunities

- JFK Partners
- CDDC
- Division of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- Arcs of Colorado
- Community Centered Boards