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## WEEK 1:

### Find careers I will love

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During Week 1, participants will explore different careers to find career that they will love.

**Learning Objective:** Displaced workers, career changers or those just beginning their search for a career will understand career clusters, their soft skills, and explore career pathways to find a career of interest.

**MCJ Tool:** Career Cluster Survey, Careers in Colorado, Soft Skills Survey, and the resume builder.

**CAM Activity:** Participants will first explore career areas by learning about career clusters, which are the 16 categories of careers grouped according to the general knowledge, skills and abilities that are common to careers in that cluster. The Careers in Colorado pathways tool provides detailed information on how to move from career to career in key Colorado industries.

Continuing with taking the soft skills survey will help the individual identify how their interests, skills and abilities relate to career choices. Uploading their current resume completes work to begin thinking about how to apply to a career of their choice.

#### Tips for Success:

- During the Step activities, participants should record careers of interest and begin to see patterns in the types of careers that appeal to them. If careers begin to fall into one career cluster, ask the individual to explore other careers in that cluster that sound appealing.
- If a participant is looking for a job immediately, ask them to pay attention to the educational requirements for a given career in career clusters of interest. Many year-long certificate or two-year community college programs may be done online or during off-work hours.
- Encourage the individuals that you work with to log into their My Colorado Journey accounts while completing their activities to ensure that their work is being saved.