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## A/D Works! Workforce Specialists join Governor's Coaching Corps

Professional Development Program to Help Colorado Job Seekers in Digital Economy

**LITTLETON, CO ---** Arapahoe/ Douglas Works!, a proud partner of the American Job Center Network, has joined the Governor's Coaching Corps, a program created by Gov. John Hickenlooper and Skillful.

The program is designed to bring together talented career coaching professionals to develop new practices that will help Colorado job seekers navigate the challenges of a rapidly changing and increasingly digital labor market.

Three Workforce Specialists from A/D Works! have been selected to serve in the inaugural Coaching Corps. Tanya Jo DeBardelaben, Katie Lynn-Vecqueray and Jessica Lichota join more than 25 other top career coaches from workforce centers, community colleges, high schools and nonprofit organizations across the state.

The coaches will work together over eight months to build a supportive network, provide one-on-one leadership coaching and develop new tools and practices to serve job seekers. All coaches will join one of five Action Teams devoted to three core themes; Developing 21<sup>st</sup> century Coaching Tools, Identifying Jobseeker Specific Tools and Approaches and Cultivating New Partnership Models.

Coaches will be trained and encouraged to share their knowledge within their own organizations.

A/D Works! provides job seekers and businesses access to a broad array of free services available year-round, such as career and personality assessments, networking opportunities and industry specific job training. The experienced staff offers individual assistance with career exploration and planning and has experts for young adults, seniors and veterans seeking employment.

The Arapahoe/Douglas Works! Regional Workforce Center is located at 6974 S. Lima Plaza, Centennial, 80112. Workforce Centers also are located in Aurora and Littleton. For more information on Arapahoe/Douglas Works! call 303-636-1160 or visit the A/D Works! website at <a href="https://www.adworks.org">www.adworks.org</a>.

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