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As a parent of an autistic daughter and a college student of nursing, life was hard. Before New Choices Career Development, I was depressed and stressed to a level that I was not properly eating. I was in the process of completing a Registered Nurse (RN) program, but was forced, due to debilitating medical reasons, to prematurely leave the program four months before graduation. I had trouble moving my left side and functioning in a school setting. I lost myself and my dream of becoming a RN. I lost myself to a point that I questioned whether a career in the health field is what I wanted to pursue.

The New Choices Career Development Program opened so many doors and gave me faith to believe that despite the difficulties I face in life, I will be okay and I can continue to work for a better life. New Choices gave me hope. Leaving New Choices, I know I am a different and better person than when I entered. I know I can accomplish my dreams.

New Choices is part of my life now, and I will always carry it with me. Two days after graduating from New Choices, I was hired by another successful New Choices graduate as a Professional Interpreter. I am proud to have New Choices in my life, and I know I can fight through any obstacles that come my way. In the future, I plan to go to school for my License Practical Nurse degree and then my RN. I am so thankful to be a part of the New Choices' family; this program has changed my life and I am excited for my future.