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## JET WELCOMES DEAN COWMAN AS CAREER COUNSELOR



JET, which serves adults, dislocated workers, public assistance recipients, and youth ages 14+ on career paths to employment in a seven-county area of Northeast Minnesota welcomes Dean Cowman. Dean was hired as a Career Counselor serving Dislocated Workers, Low Income Adults, and clients on Public Assistance in JET's International Falls, MN office.

When asked why he chose JET, Dean stated, "I really like the idea of a new opportunity to serve the people in my community. JET seems like such a positive organization that assists so many people to improve their lives with quality guidance and counseling." Randy Back, JET's Operations Director, had this to say about why Dean was hired, "A workforce professional, much like a healthcare practitioner, works holistically with all elements of one's life. It's a common trait JET sees in those that excel in employment and training careers. Dean brings that from his prior career to the JET International Falls team!"

Dean's professional background includes 27 years of family practice chiropractic, 25 years of which was as a self-employed business owner, and this

knowledge will be of benefit to clients as well as employers which JET also serves. A motto that has inspired Dean to achieve his goals is, "We only regret the chances we didn't take". What would Dean's past co-workers say about him? He is extremely dedicated to the people he serves, compassionate, and occasionally funny. JET staff are excited to see what Dean will accomplish as he applies his background to this new position.

In the way of education, Dean went to the University of Minnesota - Morris where he majored in Psychology, and then continued on to Northwestern Health Sciences University where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Human Biology and a Doctorate of Chiropractic.

Getting to know Dean when he's not at work, he spends his time at home with Maria, his wife of 27 years, son John, age 24, daughter Anna, age 21 and Dutch, their Chocolate Lab, age 1. Dean is also diligent about self-care by lifting weights, running, biking and is active in the outdoors with fishing, boating and kayaking. The Primo Pizza at Sammy's is his pick for eating out and a book that he would read again is "Waiting for White Horses" by Nathan Jorgenson. "Take It Easy" by the Eagles is his favorite song.

Celebrating almost 50 years in workforce development, JET serves job seekers including dislocated workers, people wishing to enter or re-enter the workforce, adults interested in training and education and youth ages 14-24. Services include career planning and exploration, personalized job search strategies, funding for postsecondary education, and financial resources to support job search activities.

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