



This is Rory. Rory just turned four years old, and she is currently learning how to ride a bike. While spending the afternoon with Rory, I noticed her great determination and willingness to admit when she needed help. She told me when I first got there, "I'm really good at riding my bike, but sometimes I need help getting started, and sometimes I fall over when I stop." As a Human Services Professional, our job is very similar to teaching someone to ride a bike. We must be patient while they learn to balance, and we must encourage them to be determined when they fall over. There will be times when our clients need us to hold their seat while they get started, because maybe they don't quite have the hang of it. There will also be times when our clients fall over, and as a Human Services Professional it will be our job to help them get up, brush off the dust and get back on the bike, while encouraging and empowering them all the while.