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Louisiana Rehabilitation Services

Vocational Rehabilitation Program



Mission of Louisiana Rehabilitation Services (LRS) . . .

To assist persons with disabilities in their desire to obtain or maintain employment and/or to achieve independence in their community by providing vocational rehabilitation services and by working cooperatively with business and other community services.

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) provides services to help persons with disabilities obtain job skills and find resources necessary to not only get and keep a job, but also to develop a long-term career.

VR assists individuals with various disabilities, including the following:

- Blindness or other visual impairments
- Deafness or other auditory conditions
- Cognitive disorders
- Mental/emotional problems
- Orthopedic impairments
- Alcohol/substance abuse
- Head/brain injury
- Spinal cord injury
- Renal disease
- Diabetes
- Epilepsy

Eligibility for Vocational Rehabilitation services is based on an individual having:

- a physical or mental disability;
- a problem getting or keeping a job because of the disability; and
- a need for vocational rehabilitation services to prepare for, get, and/or keep a job.

Those with the most significant disabilities receive priority for services. When all eligible individuals cannot be served, they are placed on a waiting list.

If determined eligible for services and placed in a priority category of eligibility, the individual and a VR counselor will work together to develop an Individualized Plan for Employment.

Throughout the planning process, the VR counselor guides individuals to learn more about their choice of work goals, services, and providers of services.

Some VR services may include, but are not limited to:

- Vocational guidance and career counseling
- Restoration (physical/mental)
- Vocational and other training services
- Rehabilitation technology, including assistive technology services, assistive technology devices, and rehabilitation engineering
- Occupational tools & equipment
- Job placement into suitable employment
- Personal assistance services such as a scribe, reader, personal care attendant, and interpreter
- Supported employment services

Not everyone requires the same or every VR service, and LRS is not always able to cover 100% of the services' costs.