

Vocational Rehabilitation

Oklahomans with Disabilities Employment Resources



The Employment Agency for Oklahomans with Disabilities



Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

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The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

All about us –

As the employment agency for Oklahomans with disabilities, we provide vocational rehabilitation services that help people get cool jobs with benefits. As a result, thousands whose disabilities were barriers to employment become taxpayers each year, eliminating or reducing the need for disability benefits and social assistance.

The vocational rehabilitation services offered by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation helps Oklahomans with disabilities get jobs.



Our primary services –

The primary vocational rehabilitation services are counseling and guidance with job placement. Other services provide accommodations to assist in removing barriers to successful employment:

Medical and psychological assessments are used to determine eligibility and review consumers' background, abilities, disability-related barriers to employment and rehabilitation needs.

Vocational evaluation, counseling and career planning guidance are provided to consumers throughout the rehabilitation process.

Information and referral helps individuals get appropriate services from other agencies.

Employment services, including job search, placement and follow-up services, help consumers find and keep suitable employment in their chosen careers.

Assistive technology, including telecommunications, sensory and other rehabilitation equipment and devices, enable consumers to function more effectively in the workplace.

Training includes vocational, post-secondary, on-the-job, personal and vocational adjustment training, job search skills development and job coaching.

Diagnosis and short-term treatment of physical and mental disabilities may be provided to enhance consumers' employment opportunities when services are not available through health insurance or other benefits.

Maintenance helps pay for additional costs connected with being evaluated to determine eligibility or receiving certain services under an Individualized Plan of Employment (IPE).

Transportation may be provided in connection with other services needed to reach employment goals.

Instructional services, such as rehabilitation teaching and orientation and mobility services, assist individuals who are blind.

Self-employment programs help individuals who want to work for themselves or operate their own businesses.

Personal assistance services are available while individuals are receiving vocational rehabilitation services.

Transition School-to-Work services help high school students with disabilities prepare for and reach employment goals.

Supported employment assists individuals with severe physical, emotional, mental or multiple disabilities with employment in the community.

Post-employment services help consumers to retain, regain, or advance in their jobs.

Specialized programs assist consumers who are blind, deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind and individuals with speech impairments, severe disabilities and those who require independent living services.

Foreign-language interpreter services, including American Sign Language (ASL), enable individuals needing interpreters to participate in their vocational rehabilitation programs.

Some services, such as medical examinations to determine if you are eligible for services, vocational counseling and job placement, are always provided at no charge to you. You may be asked to share the cost of some other services, depending on your income and financial resources.



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How to reach us

To find the Vocational Rehabilitation office nearest you, call 800-487-4042 or 800-845-8476 TTY toll free in Oklahoma.

A map of all VR offices is also accessible from the DRS Web site, www.okdrs.gov.

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