

Vocational Rehabilitation



Every state has a federally funded agency that administers vocational rehabilitation (VR), and supported employment. VR assists people in finding jobs through local searches and by promoting self-employment and telecommuting opportunities. VR services vary widely depending on the state but typically include medical, psychological and vocational assessments; counseling and guidance; vocational and other types of training; interpreter and reader services; services to family members; rehabilitation technology; placement; post-employment services; and/or other goods and services necessary to achieve rehab objectives and secure employment. In some cases, VR may pay for transportation and vehicle modification. There is a vocational rehabilitation office in each state as well as county or regional VR offices in each state.

Source: Paralysis Resource Guide (http://www.ChristopherReeve.org/guide.)

The Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation offers a pre-employment benefits consultation. Please note that the consultant does not help you find a specific job or job training. The consultant will analyze any benefits you receive from the government and go over the pros and cons of employment with regards to your benefits. We will pay for up to 3 hours of time with the consultant per client so that there is no charge to you. Call an Information Specialist at 800-539-7309 to learn more or go to www.ChristopherReeve.org/Ask to reach an Information Specialist.

Institute for Community Inclusion: Getting the Most from the Public Vocational Rehabilitation System

http://www.communityinclusion.org/article.php?article_id=129

Job Accommodation Network: Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies

https://askjan.org/concerns/State-Vocational-Rehabilitation-Agencies.cfm?csSearch=6418080_1

This page lists contact information for every state's vocational rehabilitation office.

Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Council: State Vocational Rehabilitation Programs http://www.parac.org/svrp.html

This page lists links to the website of every state's vocational rehabilitation program as well as links to rehabilitation advisory councils for some states.

Social Security Administration: Overview of the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program

https://secure.ssa.gov/poms.nsf/lnx/0426520001

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs: Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Service

http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre/

The VetSuccess program assists veterans with service-connected disabilities to prepare for, find, and keep suitable jobs. This page describes the services provided and eligibility requirements for the program.

Vocational Rehab Offices by State:

Alabama Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.rehab.alabama.gov/services/vr/vr Phone 334-293-7500, 800-441-7607 (Toll-free)

Alaska Vocational Rehabilitatio

http://www.labor.state.ak.us/dvr/home.htm

Phone: 800-478-2815

Arizona Vocational Rehabilitation

https://des.az.gov/services/employment/arizona-rehabilitation-services

Phone: 602-542-3332

Arkansas Vocational Rehabilitation

https://dws.arkansas.gov/ar-rehabilitation-services/

Arkansas Rehabilitation Services Administration

Phone: 501-296-1600

California Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.dor.ca.gov/

California Department of Rehabilitation

Phone: 916-324-1313, 800-952-5544 (Toll-Free)

Colorado Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.colorado.gov/dvr

Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 303-318-8271

Connecticut Vocational Rehabilitation

https://portal.ct.gov/AgingAndDisability

Connecticut Bureau of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 860-424-4844

Delaware Vocational Rehabilitation

https://labor.delaware.gov/divisions/dvr//

Phone: 302-761-8275

District of Columbia Vocational Rehabilitation

https://dds.dc.gov/

District of Columbia Department on Disability Services

Phone: 202-730-1700 Email:dds@dc.gov

Florida Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.rehabworks.org/

Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 850-245-3399, 800-451-4327 (Toll-Free)

Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation

https://gvra.georgia.gov/

Vocational Rehabilitation Program Phone: 404-232-1998: 844-367-4872

Hawaii Vocational Rehabilitation

http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/vr/

Hawaii Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 808-586-9745

Email: smitchell@dhs.hawaii.gov

Idaho Vocational Rehabilitation

https://vr.idaho.gov/

Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Direct: 208-334-3390

Illinois Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=29736

Illinois Department of Human Services, Office of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 800-843-6154

Email: DHS.ORS@illinois.gov

Indiana Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.in.gov/fssa/2328.htm

Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services

Phone: 800-457-8283

Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.ivrs.iowa.gov/

Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 515-281-4211, 800-532-1486 (Toll-Free)

Kansas Vocational Rehabilitation Services

http://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/RS/Pages/RScontacts.aspx

Kansas Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 785-368-7471, 866-213-9079 (Toll-Free)

Kentucky Vocational Rehabilitation

https://kcc.ky.gov/Vocational-Rehabilitation/Pages/Kentucky-Office-of-Vocational-

Rehabilitation.aspx

Kentucky Department of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 800-372-7172

Email: wfd.vocrehab@ky.org

Louisiana Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.laworks.net/workforcedev/lrs/lrs rehabilitation.asp

Louisiana Workforce Commission

Phone: 225-342-3111, 800-259-5154 (Toll-Free)

Maine Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.maine.gov/rehab/dvr/

Maine Bureau of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 800-698-4440

Maryland Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.dors.state.md.us

Maryland State Department of Education, Division of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 410-554-9442, 888-554-0334 (Toll-Free)

Email: dors@maryland.gov

Massachusetts Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/consumer/disability-services/vocational-rehab/

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission Phone: 617-204-3600; 800-245-6543

Michigan Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.michigan.gov/leo/0,5863,7-336-94422_95508_26929---,00.html

Michigan Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 800-605-6722

Email: CustomerAssistance@michigan.gov

Minnesota Vocational Rehabilitation

http://mn.gov/deed/

Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Phone: 651-259-7114, 800-657-3858 (Toll-Free) Emails: DEED.CustomerService@state.mn.us

Mississippi Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.mdrs.ms.gov/

Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 800-443-1000

Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation

https://dese.mo.gov/adult-learning-rehabilitation-services/vocational-rehabilitation

Missouri Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 573-751-3251; 877-222-8963

Montana Vocational Rehabilitation

http://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/vocrehab

Phone: 406444-2590, 877-296-1197 (Toll-Free)

Email: vrinfo@mt.gov

Nebraska Vocational Rehabilitation

http://vr.nebraska.gov/

Phone: 402-471-3644, 877- 637-3422 (Toll-Free)

Nevada Vocational Rehabilitation

https://detr.nv.gov/Page/Rehabilitation Division Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation

Nevada Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation Phone: 702-486-5230 (Southern Nevada)

775-687-6860 (Northern Nevada)

New Hampshire Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.education.nh.gov/vr

Phone: 603-271-3471, 800-299-1647 (Toll-Free)

Email: Lisa.Hatz@doe.nh.gov

New Jersey Vocational Rehabilitation

https://nj.gov/labor/career-services/

New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 609-292-5987

Email: dvradmin@dol.state.nj.us

New Mexico Vocational Rehabilitation

www.dvr.state.nm.us

New Mexico Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 505-841-5600; 800-432-5868

New York Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.acces.nysed.gov/vr/

Adult Career and Continuing Education Services - Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 518-474-3852; 800-222-5627

North Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dvrs

North Carolina Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 919-855-3500, 800-689-9090 (Toll-Free)

North Dakota Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.nd.gov/dhs/dvr/

Phone: 701-328-8950, 800-755-2745 (Toll-Free)

Email: dhsvr@nd.gov

Ohio Vocational Rehabilitation

http://ood.ohio.gov/

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

Phone: 614-438-1242, 800-282-4536 (Toll-Free)

Oklahoma Vocational Rehabilitation

https://oklahoma.gov/okdrs/job-seekers/vr.html Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services Phone: 405-951-3400, 800-845-8476 (Toll-Free)

Email: info@okdrs.gov

Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.oregon.gov/odhs/vr/pages/default.aspx?utm_source=ODHS&utm_medium=egov_redirect&utm_campaign=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.oregon.gov%2Fdhs%2Femployment%2Fvr%2F

State of Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation Division Phone: 503-945-5880, 877-277-0513 (Toll-Free)

Pennsylvania Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.dli.pa.gov/Individuals/Disability-Services/ovr/Pages/default.aspx

Pennsylvania Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Phone: (717)787-5244, 800-442-6351 (Toll-Free)

Puerto Rico Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.arv.pr.gov/Pages/default.aspx

Puerto Rico Vocational Rehabilitation Administration

Phone: 787-729-0160

Email: comunicaciones@vra.gobierno.pr

Rhode Island Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.ors.ri.gov/VR.html

Rhode Island Office of Rehabilitation Services

40 Fountain Street Providence, RI 02903 Direct: 401-421-7005 TTY: 401-421-7016

South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.scvrd.net/

South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department

Phone: 800-832-7526

Email: thescvrd@gmail.com

South Dakota Vocational Rehabilitation

https://dhs.sd.gov/en/rehabilitation-services

South Dakota Division of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 605-773-5990

Tennessee Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.tennessee.gov/humanservices/topic/vocational-rehabilitation

Tennessee Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 615-313-4891, 800-270-1349 (Toll-Free)

Texas Vocational Rehabilitation

https://www.twc.texas.gov/jobseekers/vocational-rehabilitation-services

Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services

Phone: 800-628-5115

Email: customers@twc.state.tx.us

Utah Vocational Rehabilitation

https://jobs.utah.gov/usor/vr/index.html

Utah State Office of Rehabilitation

Phone: 801-887-9500

Email: dwscontactus@utah.gov

Vermont Vocational Rehabilitation

http://vocrehab.vermont.gov/

Vermont Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 866-879-6757

Email: Kathryn.Housewright@vermont.gov

Virginia Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.vadars.org

Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services Phone: 804-662-7000, 800-552-5019 (Toll-Free)

Email: dars@dars.virginia.gov

Washington Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dvr/

Washington State Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 360-586-0609

West Virginia Vocational Rehabilitation

http://www.wvdrs.org/

West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: 304-356-2060 Toll-free: 800-642-8207

Wisconsin Vocational Rehabilitation

https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/

Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Phone: 608-261-0050 Toll-free: 800-442-3477

Email: <u>dvr@dwd.wisconsin.gov</u>

Wyoming Vocational Rehabilitation

https://dws.wyo.gov/dws-division/vocational-rehabilitation/

Phone: 307-777-7389 or 307-777-8960

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