What services can I receive from VR if I am eligible?

- Evaluations to determine job skills and interests;
- Vocational counseling and help in setting a job goal;
- Assistance with training or education, if needed, to obtain a job;
- Help with job interview skills;
- Special equipment or technology that may help you to keep a job;
- Assistance with getting to training or job sites and other work-related needs.

VR may use the following types of records to determine eligibility

- Medical records;
- Psychological records;
- Workers’ Compensation records;
- Armed Forces service records;
- Parole and probation records;
- Any records about your disability.

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Who is eligible for VR?

There is no cost to you to find out if you are eligible. You may qualify if:

- You receive Social Security Disability or Supplemental Security income and you want to go to work; or
- You have a verifiable physical or mental disability; and
- Your disability prevents you from getting or keeping a job; and
- You need VR services to help you get or keep a job.

VR requires legal documentation of your ability to work in the United States.

The mission of Vocational Rehabilitation is to assist Oregonians with disabilities to achieve and maintain employment and independence.

The rehabilitation process

Evaluation for eligibility: VR uses specific criteria to assess each person’s eligibility and potential for employment. In most cases VR will decide within 60 days if you are eligible for services.

Individual plan for employment: After you are found eligible, you and the counselor prepare a written rehabilitation plan.

Services: Services begin with vocational counseling and guidance.

Job placement: The counselor works with you to find and secure suitable employment.

Post-employment services: You may receive services to help you maintain your job and overcome employment barriers.

Your responsibilities

In your partnership with Vocational Rehabilitation (VR), your responsibilities are to:

- Actively participate and perform to the best of your ability;
- Keep all scheduled appointments;
- Notify VR of changes in your situation;
- Apply for and use comparable benefits when available to help pay for your rehabilitation;
- Follow all medical and/or psychological advice and treatment plans; and
- Obtain VR’s prior approval for any service you expect VR to fund.

If VR is in an Order of Selection, you may be waitlisted before you can receive services. Your counselor will tell you if you will be placed on a waitlist.