

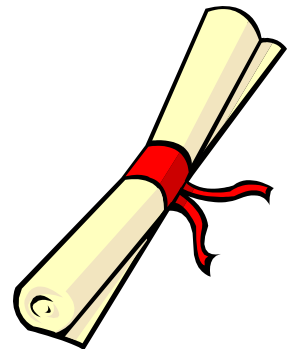


WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE ARTS
DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

WVDRS 101:

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION
AND HIGHER EDUCATION

Objectives:



- Describe the vocational rehabilitation program and process.
- Describe how the vocational rehabilitation program can work with the College Disability Services and Financial Aid to assist in positive outcomes.

WVDRS Mission Statement



“Enable and empower individuals with disabilities to work and to live independently.”

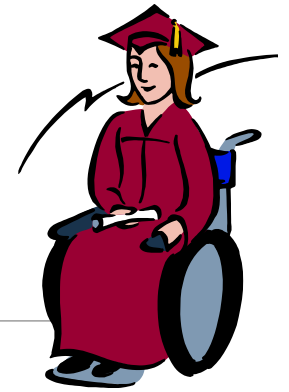
Vocational Rehabilitation Program

- ❑ Helps eligible individuals improve their ability to succeed in employment.
- ❑ Assist clients with evaluating their skills, interests, and abilities to obtain vocational success.
- ❑ Work one-on-one with clients to develop a plan for employment.

Vocational Rehabilitation Process



Application & Intake



- ▣ Who can apply for services?
- ▣ Why apply for services?
- ▣ When to apply for services?
- ▣ How and where to apply to services?
- ▣ Is there a cost for application?

Assessment

- ❑ What is assessment for the Rehabilitation Program?
- ❑ Why are assessments completed?
- ❑ Is there a cost for assessments requested by the Division?

Eligibility

- ❑ What does “eligibility” mean for Vocational Rehabilitation?
- ❑ When is eligibility “determined”?
- ❑ How is eligibility determined?

Individualized Plan for Employment & Provision of Services

- ▣ What is an “Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE)”?
- ▣ How is the IPE developed?
- ▣ How are services determined?

Service Examples

- ▣ Assessment
- ▣ Counseling, guidance and referral
- ▣ Mental restoration
- ▣ Physical restoration
- ▣ Vocational and other training services
- ▣ Placement in suitable employment
- ▣ Transition assistance from school to work

Employment & Follow Up

- ❑ What happens when the individual is ready for employment?
- ❑ What happens when the individual obtains or maintains employment?
- ❑ How long does the individual remain with the Division after employment?

**How does the
Vocational
Rehabilitation
Program relate to
your students ?**

DRS College Sponsorship Conditions

- ✓ Vocational and Psychological Assessment
- ✓ Institutional Requirements
- ✓ Full Time Status
- ✓ GPA
- ✓ ACT Score
- ✓ Financial Aid & Third Party Resources

DRS College/Training Supports

✓ Assistive Technology

AT Evaluation Units in Charleston and Morgantown

- adaptive equipment
- learning tools
- environmental modifications
- vehicle modifications



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DRS College/Training Supports

✓ Reasonable Accommodations

Educational accommodations may include accessible classrooms, modified instruction, modified curricula, modified class schedule, extra time for tests, preferential seating, large print materials, written copies of oral material

Accommodations are provided only when a student discloses his or her disability and requests them.

Open communication with professors and the disability services staff can facilitate the process of evaluating the effectiveness of accommodations and of making changes when efforts are not working.

DRS College/Training Supports

- ✓ Coordination with Disability Services office
 - ❖ Can accept referrals on struggling students that are not already clients
 - ❖ Help in obtaining current Diagnostics
 - ❖ Prescriptive information regarding accommodations
 - ❖ What can we share and how?

Determining DRS Sponsorship

- ❑ The Rehabilitation Counselor utilizes the Student Financial Plan (WVDRS-87) to determine if the individual's training costs have been met.

- ❑ The Rehabilitation Counselor will consider sponsorship based on the need as identified on the Student Financial Plan (WVDRS-87)

DRS College Education Services FY 2014

□ Assisted 2,430 students with college education services needed to meet their work-related educational goals.



□ Authorized expenditures of more than \$9.4 million in tuition and other college expenses.

DRS Transition Statistics Fiscal Year 2014

- ▣ 7,055 students with disabilities (ages 16 to 21) were served.
- ▣ 5,085 transition students were referred directly from the schools to DRS.
- ▣ 1,172 students with disabilities developed individualized plans for employment.
- ▣ 728 transition clients gained employment.

DRS Economic Impact FY 2014

- Average Earnings Increased 100% After Vocational Rehabilitation (All Groups)

Before Vocational Rehabilitation

\$31,891,652

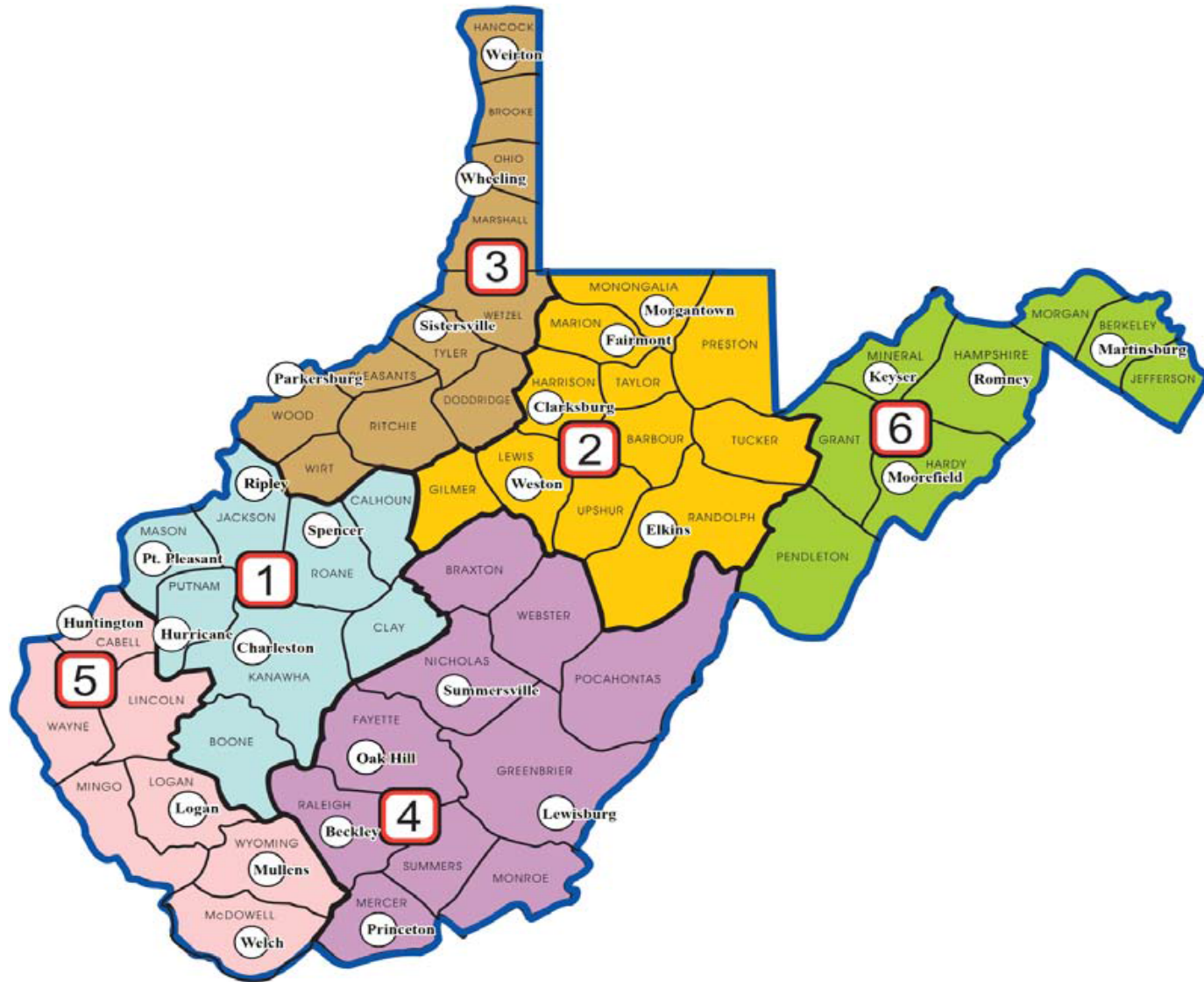
After Vocational Rehabilitation

\$62,965,812

College Liaisons

- ▣ Partnering training institution(s) are assigned a DRS Liaison from the local District or Field Office, who:
 - ✓ Establishes and maintains a working relationship with the registrar, bursars office, and FAO.
 - ✓ Has an understanding of the training institutions' programs, and disability services.
 - ✓ Disseminates information to other Rehabilitation Counselors

31 field office locations



District 1: Charleston

Boone, Calhoun, Clay, Jackson, Kanawha, Mason, Putnam and Roane

Charleston District & Branch Office

**4701 MacCorkle Avenue, SE
Charleston, WV 25304
304-356-2371**

Point Pleasant Branch Office

**209 5th Street
Point Pleasant, WV 25550
304-675-0867**

Ripley Branch Office

**206 Stone Drive
Ripley, WV 25271
304-373-0313**

Spencer Branch Office

**321 Market Street
Spencer, WV 25276
304-927-0954**

Teays Valley Branch Office

**115 Liberty Square
Hurricane, WV 25526
304-760-7082**

District 2: Clarksburg

Barbour, Gilmer, Harrison, Lewis, Marion, Monongalia,
Preston, Randolph, Taylor, Tucker and Upshur

Clarksburg District & Branch Office

107 Cambridge Place
Bridgeport, WV 26330
304-842-2951

Fairmont Branch Office

Veterans Square

320 Adams Street, Suite 106
Fairmont, WV 26554
304-367-2714

Morgantown Branch Office

Sabraton Plaza
1415 Earl Core Road
Morgantown, WV 26505
304-285-3155

Weston Branch Office

306 Market Place Mall
Weston, WV 26452
304-269-0547

Elkins Branch Office

1025 North Randolph Ave.
Elkins, WV 26241
304-637-0205

District 3: Wheeling
Brooke, Doddridge, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio,
Pleasants, Ritchie, Tyler, Wetzel, Wirt and Wood

Parkersburg Branch Office
State Office Bldg.
400 5th Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101
304-420-4580

Parkersburg South High School
1511 Blizzard Drive
Parkersburg, WV 26101
304-420-4916

Sistersville Branch Office
714 Wells Street
Sistersville, WV 26175
304-652-2354

Wheeling District & Branch
Office
Central Union Building
40 14th Street, Suite 102
Wheeling, WV 26003
304-238-1092

Weirton Branch Office
100 Municipal Plaza, Suite 200
Weirton, WV 26062
304-723-5311

District 4: Beckley

Braxton, Fayette, Greenbrier, Mercer, Monroe, Nicholas, Pocahontas, Raleigh, Summers and Webster

Beckley District & Branch Office
800 New River Town Center
Beckley, WV 25801
304-256-6900

Oak Hill Branch Office
549 Mall Road
Oak Hill, WV 25901
304-465-3025

Lewisburg Branch Office
Suite 105
777 North Jefferson Street
Lewisburg, WV 24901
304-647-7515

Princeton Branch Office
195 Davis Street
Princeton, WV 24739
304-425-1256

Summersville Branch Office
830 Northside Drive, Suite 113
Summersville, WV 26651
304-872-0813

District 5: Huntington Cabell, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo, McDowell, Wayne and Wyoming

Huntington District & Branch Office
2699 Park Ave., Suite 200
Huntington, WV 25704
304-528-5585

Marshall University
Prichard Hall, Room 113
Huntington, WV 25755
304-696-2394

Cabell Midland High School
2300 US Route 60 East
Ona, WV 25545
304-743-7496

Huntington High School
Highlander Way
Huntington, WV 25701
304-528-6511

Logan Branch Office
130 Stratton Street, Suite 231
Logan, WV 25601
304-792-7060

Mullens Branch Office
316 Howard Avenue
Mullens, WV 25882
304-294-5653

Welch Branch Office
110 Park Avenue
Welch, WV 24801
304-436-3175

District 6: Martinsburg

**Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral,
Morgan and Pendleton**

Keyser Branch Office
67 North Tornado Way
Keyser, WV 26726
304-788-2313 or 301-777-0787

Martinsburg District & Branch Office
489 Mid Atlantic Parkway, Suite 2
Martinsburg, WV 25404
304-267-0005 or 304-267-0009

Moorefield Branch Office
151 Robert C. Byrd Industrial Park
Rd., Suite 3
Moorefield, WV 26836
304-538-2701

Romney Branch Office
24948 Northwestern Pike
Romney, WV 26757

Mailing Address:
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DRS College Liaisons January 2015

ALDERSON-BROADDUS COLLEGE

Roger Harris Clarksburg District Office

APPALACHIAN BIBLE COLLEGE

Beckley District Office

BELMONT TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Christa Reed Wheeling District Office

BETHANY COLLEGE

Debbie Williams Weirton Branch Office

BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Lorie Mattson Martinsburg District Office

BLUEFIELD STATE COLLEGE

Michelle DeWitt Princeton Branch Office

BRIDGEVALLEY COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Wilbur Wallace Oak Hill Branch Office

BRIDGEVALLEY COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Angela Cantrell Teays Valley Office

CONCORD UNIVERSITY

Mary Goebel Princeton Branch Office

DAVIS AND ELKINS COLLEGE

Donna Sines Elkins Branch Office

EASTERN WV COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Linda Porter Moorefield Branch Office

FAIRMONT STATE UNIVERSITY & PIERPONT CTC

Fairmont Branch Office

GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE

Roger Harris Weston Branch Office

HUNTINGTON JR. COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Teresa Swecker Huntington Branch Office

MARIETTA COLLEGE

Linda Lucas Parkersburg Branch Office

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

Randy Bridgette Marshall University Branch Office

MOUNTAIN STATE COLLEGE

Peggy Sisson Parkersburg Branch Office

MOUNTWEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Tonya Wallace Huntington District Office

NEW RIVER COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE (BECKLEY CAMPUS)
Beckley District Office

NEW RIVER COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE (LEWISBURG CAMPUS)
Chris Baker Lewisburg Branch Office

NEW RIVER COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE
(SUMMERSVILLE CAMPUS) *Mark McClung Summersville Branch Office*

OHIO UNIVERSITY EASTERN CAMPUS
Christa Reed Wheeling District Office

OHIO VALLEY UNIVERSITY
Marsha Spiker Parkersburg Branch Office

POTOMAC STATE COLLEGE OF WVU
Bridgette Kady Keyser Branch Office

SALEM INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Sandy Hassenpflug Clarksburg District Office

SHEPHERD UNIVERSITY

Linda Besore Martinsburg District Office

SOUTHERN WV COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT LOGAN

Ernie Martin Logan Branch Office

SOUTHERN WV COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT WILLIAMSON

Julie Lawson Logan Branch Office

SOUTHERN WV COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PINEVILLE

Dylan Saunders Mullens Branch Office

UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON

Veronica Bunch Teays Valley Branch Office

UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON- BECKLEY CAMPUS

Beckley District Office

WASHINGTON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Peggy Sisson Parkersburg Branch Office

WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

Debbie Williams Weirton Branch Office

WV BUSINESS COLLEGE

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WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY AT PARKERSBURG

Linda Lucas Parkersburg Branch Office

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Assistive Technology for College Students

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