



## **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.

Source: Paralysis Resource Guide

### **Job Accommodation Network: Vocational Rehabilitation Offices by State**

<http://askjan.org/cgi-win/TypeQuery.exe?902>

list of every state's Voc Rehab office

### **Virginia Commonwealth University's Work World**

[http://www.workworld.org/wwwwebhelp/state\\_vocational\\_rehabilitation\\_vr\\_agencies.htm](http://www.workworld.org/wwwwebhelp/state_vocational_rehabilitation_vr_agencies.htm)

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### **Disability Resources.org**

<http://www.disabilityresources.org>

Click on States, pick the state you want. Each one has a Voc Rehab office listed.

### **Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Council's list of State Vocational Rehab offices**

<http://www.parac.org/svrp.html>

### **Rochester Institute of Technology: Acronyms for Voc Rehab Offices**

[http://www.netac.rit.edu/publication/financing\\_your\\_education/vr\\_acronyms.html](http://www.netac.rit.edu/publication/financing_your_education/vr_acronyms.html)

### **University of Pittsburgh: WheelchairNet.org's Fact Sheet on Vocational Rehabilitation**

[http://www.wheelchairnet.org/WCN\\_Living/Docs/vrs.html](http://www.wheelchairnet.org/WCN_Living/Docs/vrs.html)

**U.S. Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services' Rehabilitation Services Administration**

<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/rsa/about.html>

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

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

The VetSuccess program assists veterans with service-connected disabilities to prepare for, find, and keep suitable jobs.

The following books and videos are available for free loan from the PRC library. For more information, please see [www.paralysis.org](http://www.paralysis.org) and click the Lending Library tab.

**Books**

**Work and disability: issues and strategies in career development and job placement.** edited by Edna Mora Szymanski and Randall M. Parker. Austin, Tex: Pro-Ed, 1996.

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