

Understanding The New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS)



Services DVRS Offers:

The consumer and DVRS counselor will work together to develop an Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE). The plan may include:

- Vocational Counseling & Guidance
- Job Placement Services
- Job Seeking Skills
- Supported Employment,
- Time Limited Placement and Coaching
- Job Accommodations
- Skills Training
- College Training
- Physical and/or Emotional Restoration (Equipment or therapies which improve physical or cognitive functioning so that a person is able to work)
- Mobility Equipment
- Driver Training
- Vehicle and/or Home Modification.

What is DVRS?

- The New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS) provides services that enable individuals with disabilities to find jobs or keep their existing jobs. If you or a loved one has a disability that is preventing employment, or is endangering present employment, you can submit a referral for services (see "Timeline" below for referral links).

Who is eligible for DVRS?

- Any individual with a physical, mental, cognitive, or other form of disability that has a substantial impediment to employment may qualify for services through the New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS).

Read

- **NJ DVRS Home Page:** bit.ly/njdvrs
- **DVRS Frequently Asked Questions:** bit.ly/dvrsquestions
- **Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS):** bit.ly/pre-employments

Client Assistance Program: bit.ly/capnj

- CAP advocates protect the rights of individuals with disabilities who are seeking or receiving rehabilitation services.

New Jersey Work Incentives Network Support: njwins.org

- Assists SSI and SSDI beneficiaries to start, continue or increase work efforts while maintaining benefits.

Timeline

- **14-21:** Beginning at age 14, DVRS counselors can provide services through its Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS). Some local DVRS school representatives may also be able to attend a student's IEP meeting.
- **21+:** At any time, school personnel, a caregiver or an individual can contact DVRS for services.
 - **Online Referral Form:** bit.ly/dvrsreferralform
 - **Print Referral Form:** bit.ly/dvrsprintform

Contact Local DVRS Office:

bit.ly/dvrslocaloffice

DVRS Case Services Policy Manual:

bit.ly/dvrs-policymanual

DVRS Partners

- **New Jersey State Independent Living Council:** www.njsilc.org
- **The Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired:** bit.ly/commissionfortheblind
- **The Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing:** bit.ly/2ajesom
- **Community Rehabilitation Programs:** bit.ly/crprograms
- **One-Stop Career Centers:** bit.ly/onestopcareer
- **Centers for Independent Living:** bit.ly/centersforindependentliving

Get Connected

- As changes take place within the service delivery systems, it is vital for families to stay connected with an organization that can provide the most recent and important information.
- **The Arc of New Jersey Family Institute keeps you informed, educated and up-to-date on all the latest changes that affect your loved one with an intellectual or developmental disability.**
 - Join our email list for free bit.ly/finewsletter
 - **DVRS Go Bag:** <https://bit.ly/DVRSgobag>
- Remember to discuss college options when meeting with the DVRS counselor.