Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) is a state program that helps people with physical, sensory, mental, emotional or learning disabilities find, get or keep a job. Discover how VR can help you identify employment goals and chart your path to a career with a future in North Carolina.

What services does VR provide?
VR services are customized to help you find or keep a job, and can include career counseling, education and training, job placement assistance and ongoing support, medical treatments, and assistive technology.

How do I apply?
You can be referred by a teacher, counselor or medical professional. You can even refer yourself by calling 1-800-215-7227. We’ll help you find your local office, where you can schedule an appointment with VR staff to fill out an application.

Will I lose benefits if I try to work?
If you receive SSI/SSDI based on a disability and want to go to work, give us a call. There are safeguards to protect your benefits while you get the resources, training and support you need to build a successful career.

How much do I have to pay?
There is no cost to apply and some VR services are provided completely free-of-charge to eligible individuals. VR can also help you apply for assistance to defray costs of other services.

For information and referral to a VR Office near you, call 1-800-215-7227 or go to our website: http://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/dvrs/vr-local-offices
### VR SERVICES FOR ELIGIBLE CONSUMERS

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<td>If your disability prevents you from finding or keeping a job, you may be eligible for VR.</td>
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<td>Your medical, education, and work history will help identify your employment rehab needs.</td>
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<td>3. Plan Development</td>
<td>We’ll help you choose a career goal and develop a plan for services needed to achieve that goal.</td>
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<td>4. Plan Implementation</td>
<td>VR will monitor progress, making sure that you receive the services and support you need to succeed.</td>
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<td>When you are ready for a job, VR helps you search, apply and interview. When you get a job, VR can help you keep it.</td>
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VR helps eligible job seekers develop a **personalized path to employment** that includes the **training and support** needed to compete in N.C.’s workforce.

VR collaborates with workforce system partners to prepare job seekers for **careers with a future**.

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- Advanced Manufacturing
- Healthcare
- IT Services
- Automotive
- Hospitality & Tourism
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- Green & Sustainable Energy
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### Partner Organizations
- N.C. Works Career Centers
- N.C. Public School System
- N.C. Vocational Rehabilitation Offices
- N.C. Community College System
- Community Rehabilitation Provider

### Contact Information
- State of North Carolina | Department of Health and Human Services
- Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- www.ncdhhs.gov | www.ncdhhs.gov/dvrs

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