

# Understanding The New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRs) For People with Developmental Disabilities

<b>What is DVRs</b>	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).
<b>Who is Eligible</b>	Any individual with a physical or mental impairment that wants to be employed at a competitive wage may qualify for individual or vocational rehabilitation services.
<b>What Services Does DVRs Offer People with Developmental Disabilities?</b>	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, or Vehicle and/or Home Modification. For more information visit: <a href="http://bit.ly/njdvr">bit.ly/njdvr</a>

<b>Read</b>	<b>Timeline</b>	<b>DVRs Partners</b>	<b>Get Connected</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NJ DVRs Home Page:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/njdvr">bit.ly/njdvr</a></li> <li>• <b>DVRs Frequently Ask Questions:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/dvrfaq">bit.ly/dvrfaq</a></li> <li>• <b>Students With Disabilities:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/dvrstudentswithdisabilities">bit.ly/dvrstudentswithdisabilities</a></li> <li>• <b>DVRs Myths and Facts:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/mythsandfactsdvr">bit.ly/mythsandfactsdvr</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Client Assistance Program</b> <a href="http://www.drnj.org/caprogram.htm">www.drnj.org/caprogram.htm</a> CAP provides individual legal representation and non-legal individual and systemic advocacy, together with information and referral services, outreach, and education.</p> <p><b>New Jersey Work Incentives Network Support</b> <a href="http://www.njwins.org">www.njwins.org</a> Assists SSI and SSDI beneficiaries to start, continue or increase work efforts while maintaining benefits.</p>	<p><b>14-21:</b> Beginning at age 14, DVRs counselors can provide consultation to transition students, parents/guardians, and school personnel when deemed appropriate. Some local DVRs school representatives may be able to attend a student’s IEP meeting.</p> <p><b>18-21:</b> Transition students may apply to DVRs up to two years prior to exiting from school. However, an individual will not receive service until 21 or older.</p> <p><b>21+:</b> At any time school personnel, a caregiver or individual can contact DVRs for services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Online Referral Form:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/dvrsonlinereferralform">bit.ly/dvrsonlinereferralform</a></li> <li>• <b>Print Referral Form:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/printreferralformdvr">bit.ly/printreferralformdvr</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Contact Local DVRs Office:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/dvrsofficeLocations">bit.ly/dvrsofficeLocations</a></p>	<p><b>The New Jersey Statewide Independent Living Council (NJ SILC):</b> <a href="http://www.njsilc.org">www.njsilc.org</a></p> <p><b>The Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/commissionfortheblind">bit.ly/commissionfortheblind</a></p> <p><b>The Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/2ajesom">bit.ly/2ajesom</a></p> <p><b>Community Rehabilitation Programs:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/crprograms">bit.ly/crprograms</a></p> <p><b>One-Stop Career Centers:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/onestopcareercenters">bit.ly/onestopcareercenters</a></p> <p><b>Centers for Independent Living:</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/centersfoindependentliving">bit.ly/centersfoindependentliving</a></p> <p><b>The Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD):</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/ddd_homepage">bit.ly/ddd_homepage</a></p>	<p>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.</p> <p><b>The Arc of New Jersey Family Institute keeps you informed, educated and up-to-date</b> on all the latest changes that affect your loved one with an intellectual or developmental disability.</p> <p><b>Sign up today for free!</b> <a href="http://bit.ly/familyinstitutenewslettersignup">bit.ly/familyinstitutenewslettersignup</a></p> <p>*Remember to discuss college options when meeting with the DVRs counselor.</p> <p>**Type all links exactly as seen including any capital or lowercase letters, and numbers. **</p>