

# VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

# Make the Transition



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# What is Transition Planning?



**Transition** is the term for the "bridge" between school and adult life for students. Transition planning is the process of preparing for life after high school. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) can help you make informed choices during your transition and assist you with future career plans.

Individuals who are typically referred for VR services include those who have a diagnosis of a learning, behavioral, physical, intellectual, or developmental disability.

## To be eligible for VR services you must:



Have a documented disability



Require services that lead to employment

Want to work



## If you are eligible,

VR will help you to determine an appropriate employment goal. You and your counselor will work together to develop an Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE), which identifies what you need to achieve your goal. VR may be able to help you transition from high school to work or from high school to college in preparation for work by providing:

**Professional Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling & Guidance** – evaluations of strengths and how your disability may affect your ability to work, a comprehensive assessment of your rehabilitation needs, planning and implementing strategies to overcome barriers, and helping you adjust to and live with a disability

**Employment** – identification of an employment goal that is consistent with your strengths, resources, abilities, capabilities, priorities, concerns, interests, and informed choice

# Accommodations -

if needed, adaptive aids, assistive technology, accessibility, and work site evaluations to assist you in achieving your employment goal

**Training** – tailored to meet vour individual rehabilitation needs and attain your employment goal. This may include on-the-job training, internships, job mentoring, job coaching and/or academic training. This may also include assisting you to advocate for the services you will need to succeed in college. VR may also assist you with school costs if there is a financial need

## Job Placement -

develop resume writing skills and interview strategies, job referral, placement and follow-up services "If it wasn't for DVR helping me... I would not have gotten my job... They will do whatever it takes to help the person achieve! I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for them."

Former client, Killdeer, ND



# **HELPFUL** RESOURCES

# Launch my Life NORTH DAKOTA

Your journey as you transition from high school to the world of work has begun. You will be making decisions about your education, what kind



of a job you will look for, and how to get involved in your community. *Launch my Life ND* can help you do just that. Whether you have a disability or not, *Launch my Life ND* gives you the knowledge, tools, resources, and connections to help you achieve your goals. It is located at: www.launchmylifend.com/

# Financial Aid for college

FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid, and you complete it after your parents do their taxes. Take advantage of scholarship opportunities by completing the FAFSA as soon after January 1 as possible. The FAFSA must be completed by April 15. It is located at: https://fafsa.ed.gov/



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Devils Lake

301 College Dr S Devils Lake, ND 58301 *Phone:* 701-665-2235 *Toll Free:* 1-888-607-8610

### Dickinson

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### Minot

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