



Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR)

- The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) provides vocational rehabilitation services to help persons with disabilities prepare for, obtain or maintain employment.
- Prior to receiving work related services through the Office of Mental Health/ Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (MH/IDD), an individual would first be referred to OVR.
- OVR is an eligibility program. The eligibility decision is based on the individual having a substantial disability that affects their ability to get or keep a job. The individual must also be able to benefit from OVR services to become competitively employed in a community integrated setting (minimum of 20 hours/week).
- OVR offers a wide range of services. Services will be arranged to meet individual need. They include, but are not limited to:
 - Diagnostic Services
 - Vocational Evaluation
 - Counseling
 - Training
 - Restoration Services
 - Placement Assistance
 - Assistive Technology
 - Support Services
- OVR will apply a financial need test for any OVR cost services to determine if the individual/family will need to contribute toward these. This does not include diagnostic services, evaluation or vocational counseling.
- OVR services are time limited. A case is typically closed 90 days after the individual gains employment.
- If ongoing supports are needed, funding may be available through MH/IDD. Contact your Supports Coordinator to discuss need.
- OVR and MH/IDD typically use many of the same job support providers. This allows for ease of transition from OVR funding to county funding without disruption of services for the individual.