

FAQS

Pre-Employment Transition Services and Transition Services

[What is Vocational Rehabilitation Service (VRS)?]

VRS, a division of the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services (ADRS), provides various services to eligible individuals interested in improving their opportunities for employment.

[What are Pre-Employment Transition Services?]

Pre-ETS are an early start at job exploration and social-skills acquisition to prepare students with disabilities -- who are either potentially eligible or eligible for VR services -- for careers in today's workforce. These five required services (job exploration counseling, work based learning experiences, counseling on opportunities for enrollment in comprehensive transition or post-secondary educational programs, workplace readiness training and instruction in self-advocacy) must be provided based on the individual needs of the student, thus, each student may not need all of the five activities.

[What are Transition Services?]

Transition services are designed to bridge the gap from high school to the adult world and are provided to eligible participants. Transition Services consist of these activities: counseling and guidance, planning for college, vocational/technical education, employment, supported employment, independent living, community integration, financial management, assistive technology, support services, and transportation and maintenance as needed.

[How can VRS help you with your transition planning?]

- Vocational assessments
- Vocational guidance and counseling
- Personal work adjustment
- Job readiness training
- Job coaching
- Career preparation
- College preparation
- Social skills training
- Assistive technology
- Job placement assistance
- Job follow-up and retention
- Financial assistance based on family need
- Post-employment services
- Others, based on individual need

[How do I get started?]

- Step One: Completed Pre-Application for Pre ETS
- Step Two: Referral to VRS
- Step Three: Completion of an application for services
- Step Four: Determination of eligibility within 60 days of application
- Step Five: Development of an Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE)
- Step Six: Implementation of services

To learn more about Pre-Employment and Transition Services, call 1.800.671.6842 or visit www.rehab.alabama.gov/services/vr/vr