

**Navajo Nation
Office of Special Education &
Rehabilitation Services**

**Contact the nearest
Vocational Rehabilitation
office serving your agency**

New Mexico

GALLUP OFFICE

P.O. Box 510
Gallup, NM 87301
Telephone: (505) 722-9239/9241
Fax: (505) 722-9251

**FARMINGTON & UTAH
OFFICES**

**P.O. Box 1969
Shiprock, NM 87420
Telephone: (505) 278-8940
Fax: (505) 436-2965**

CROWNPOINT OFFICE

P.O. Box 921
Crownpoint, NM 87313
Telephone: (505) 786-2260/2259
Fax: (505) 786-2261

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Arizona

CENTRAL OFFICE

P.O. Box 1420
Window Rock, AZ 86515
Telephone: (928) 871-6338
Toll Free: 1 (866) 341-9918 Fax:
(928) 871-7865

FORT DEFIANCE AGENCY

P.O. Box 1420
Window Rock, AZ 86515
Telephone: (928) 871-6957/6956
Fax: (928) 871-7865

GANADO SUB-OFFICE

P.O. Box 1420
Window Rock, AZ 86515
Telephone: (928) 871-7698/7975 Fax:
(928) 871-7865

CHINLE AGENCY

P.O. Box 1893
Chinle, AZ 86503
Telephone: (928) 674-2132/2408
Fax: (928) 674-2199

KAYENTA AGENCY

P.O. Box 2819
Kayenta, AZ 86033
Telephone: (928) 697-5641/5685
Fax: (928) 697-5625

TUBA CITY AGENCY

P.O. Box 2669
Tuba City, AZ 86045
Telephone: (928) 283-3362/3481 Fax:
(928) 283-3482

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*A Program for People
with Disabilities*



About the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services (OSERS)

Department of Diné Education, OSERS provides vocational rehabilitation services to eligible Native American individuals with disabilities who are interested in going to work. Vocational Rehabilitation is funded by a grant from the United States Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA). The goal of Vocational Rehabilitation is to assist individuals with disabilities to prepare for, secure, retain, or regain employment.

Who is eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation Services?

To be eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation services, an individual must:

- Be an enrolled member of an Indian Tribe;
- Reside on or *near the Navajo reservation
- Have a physical, mental or emotional impairment which constitutes or results in a substantial impediment to employment and;
- Require vocational rehabilitation services in terms of an employment outcome.

***NOTE:** Within 20 miles radius of the Navajo reservation

What services may be Provided

Vocational Rehabilitation services are designed to achieve an employment objective consistent with the unique strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities and capabilities of the individual.

The following are the types of vocational rehabilitation services for which an individual with a disability may qualify:

- Information and Referral
- An assessment for determining eligibility and vocational need
- Counseling, guidance and work-related placement services
- Mental/Physical Restoration
- Maintenance for additional costs incurred while participating in rehabilitation
- Tuition, books/supplies, room and/or board, transportation
- Interpreter services for individuals who are deaf and services for those who are blind or visually impaired.
- Occupational licenses, tools, equipment and startup supplies.
- Training Services
- Rehabilitation Technology Services
- Native Healing Services

How to apply for Vocational Rehabilitation

Individuals who meet the eligibility criteria are encouraged to apply for vocational rehabilitation services.

Write, telephone or visit the office nearest your home for an appointment. Agency offices are listed on the back of this brochure.

Individuals interested in going to work, should complete an application for vocational rehabilitation services.

An initial intake interview will be conducted with the applicant to determine eligibility and appropriate services consistent with individuals unique strengths and capabilities.

Your participation in Vocational Rehabilitation

The applicant's full participation in their vocational rehabilitation program is vital to successful rehabilitation. The applicant will be assigned a vocational rehabilitation counselor who will provide counseling and guidance, rehabilitation planning and the necessary supports in obtaining an employment outcome.

Once eligibility is determined, an Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE) will be developed that will outline vocational rehabilitation services for an employment outcome. The IPE is agreed upon by the consumer and the VR Counselor. After the plan is reviewed and approved, services are implemented.

The Navajo Nation believes that individuals with disabilities, when provided the necessary vocational rehabilitation services can return to work and become productive members of our society.

