

VOCATIONAL EVALUATION: **DISCOVER THE CAREER PATH THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU!**

WHAT IS A VOCATIONAL EVALUATION?

A vocational evaluation helps you discover a career and/or education path that is a good fit for you based on your work history, interests, aptitudes and abilities. The evaluation will help you determine if there are any areas to work on before you start a job or training program.

BENEFITS OF A VOCATIONAL EVALUATION

Your vocational rehabilitation counselor will use the information learned during the vocational evaluation process to create an individualized rehabilitation/employment plan best suited for you. The plan will include steps to help you achieve your employment goals.

WHAT HAPPENS DURING A VOCATIONAL EVALUATION?

Generally, we get to know you and your current situation by asking questions about your:

- Living situation
- Education/training history
- Work history and employment status
- Transportation availability
- Medical history
- Strengths and limitations

You will participate in academic, aptitude and interest testing. Other assessments may include learning styles, work values, transferable skills and personality.

HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE VOCATIONAL EVALUATION

Get plenty of sleep the night before your scheduled vocational evaluation

Bring with you an aid that you would normally need (glasses, medical devices, ergonomic aides, etc.)

Wear comfortable clothes, bring a sweater or jacket in case you get cold

Try to relax!

Think exploration, not examination!

To help you reach your job goals sooner, it is incredibly important you attend your vocational evaluation appointment. If you miss an appointment, it may be several weeks before you can be rescheduled and will make your career planning process much more lengthy.

QUESTIONS?

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