

# DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

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Division of Rehabilitation Services**



## Partner Services: Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Rehabilitation (DRS)

**Vocational Rehabilitation (VR)** – Assists persons with disabilities in achieving employment, self sufficiency and independence

**Eligibility:**

- Must have a physical or mental impairment impacting employment
- Individual desires to go to work
- Requires VR services to secure, retain or regain employment

**Services:**

- Training Services
- Placement Services
- Restorative Services
- Counseling and Guidance
- Information and Referral

**Bureau of Blind Services (BBS)**- Assists adults who are blind or visually impaired rediscover their independence.

**Services:**

- Training Services
- Placement Services
- Restorative Services
- Counseling and Guidance
- Information and Referral
- Orientation and Mobility

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**Home Services (HSP)** - Provides services to individuals with significant disabilities so they can remain in their homes independently.

**Eligibility:**

- Imminent risk of health care facility placement
- Severe disability lasting at least 12 months or life
- Requires services with cost the same or less than nursing home services
- Under age 60 at application Resident of Illinois and U.S. citizen or legal resident with a Physician's approval of initial care plan
- Less than \$17,500 in non-exempt assets for customers 18 or older or \$35,000 in family assets for customers under age 18
- Apply and cooperate with the Medicaid process

**Services**

- Personal Assistants(PA),Homemaker Services, Maintenance Home Health
- 24 hour Electronic Home Response, Adult Daycare, Home-Delivered Meals

**Bureau of Disability Determination Services (BDDS)**

Determines the eligibility of people to receive benefits from Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI).



# Other Services

**Client Assistance Program (CAP)**- A customer centered advocacy program funded by the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

**Services:**

Provide advocacy and guidance in pursuing legal, administrative or other appropriate remedies to ensure the protection of the customer's rights under the Rehabilitation Act 1973.

**Educational Services:**

**Illinois School for the Visually Impaired (ISVI)**- offers students with visual impairments the ability to become personally productive self sufficient citizens.

**Illinois School for the Deaf (ISD)**- provide education to students Who are deaf or hard of hearing and prepare them to be Responsible self-supporting citizens.

**Illinois Center for Rehabilitation and Education (ICRE)**- provides a comprehensive 2 year transition program for students with physical disabilities and other health impairments who have completed their high school education but have deferred their high school diplomas.

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**Centers for Independent Living (CILS)**- A network of 22 DRS funded centers providing 4 core services to DRS customers.

**Eligibility:**

Must be a person with a disability to obtain services

**Services:**

- Advocacy
- Independent Living Skills
- Information and referral services
- Peer Counseling

**Contacting DRS:**

[www.drs.illinois.gov/success](http://www.drs.illinois.gov/success)

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