



***Vocational
Rehabilitation***

STAR PROGRAM TRAINING

FOR PROVIDERS





TRAINING AGENDA

- STAR PROGRAM INTRODUCTION
 - PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS
 - FACTORS THAT LEAD TO THE CLOSURE OF STAR SERVICES
 - HOW STAR REFERRALS ARE MADE
 - WHO WITHIN VR WILL BE PROCESSING STAR REFERRALS
 - THE PROCESS VR WILL FOLLOW TO GET REFERRALS/AUTHORIZATIONS TO YOU
 - BENCHMARK PAYMENT INFORMATION
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PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES

PROVIDE:

- SOFT SKILLS
- APPROPRIATE BEHAVIORS
- HANDS-ON WORK EXPERIENCES

LEADING TO:

- CAREER PATHWAYS
- SKILLS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY WORKFORCE

Under WIOA, VR is able to serve Youth with disabilities:

- Without requiring an application
 - Without requiring eligibility
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PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES

- CAREER EXPLORATION COUNSELING – WHICH INCLUDES SKILLS, ABILITIES, APTITUDES, INTEREST ASSESSMENTS, AND POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS
 - WORK READINESS TRAINING – WHICH IS A 20 HOUR COURSE THAT FOCUSES ON EMPLOYABILITY AND WORK-READINESS SKILLS
 - COMMUNITY-BASED WORK EXPERIENCES – WHICH INCLUDE HANDS-ON TRAINING FOR EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS
 - SELF-ADVOCACY TRAINING– WHICH IS A PRODUCT-DRIVEN 2-PART COURSE THAT TEACHES STUDENTS HOW TO SPEAK UP FOR THEMSELVES AND MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR OWN LIVES.
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PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES

Career Exploration Counseling	Work Readiness Training	Community-Based Work Experiences	Self-Advocacy Training
Providing insight through:	Teaches students to:	Allows students to:	Focuses on:
Aptitude Assessments	Write a resume	Apply and practice soft and social skills	Self-awareness
Interest Assessments	Interview properly	Gain an idea of work	Understanding your rights
Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation	Search and apply for jobs online	Develop work skills	Setting goals
On-the-Job Evaluation	Find and complete job applications	Build relationships	Requesting reasonable accommodations
Discovery I	Manage employers contacts	Identify work accommodations	Becoming career ready
Discovery II	Handle conflict	Acquire job references	Developing an action plan
Postsecondary options	Navigate public transportation		Learning to advocate for yourself
	Review employee benefits, if needed		

STAR PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

- AGES 15 THROUGH 21
- IN HIGH SCHOOL OR
- PURSUING A POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION OR TRAINING (TRADE SCHOOL, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY)
- MUST HAVE AN IEP OR 504 PLAN
- NOT A CURRENT VR APPLICANT OR CUSTOMER



YOUTH SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE UNTIL A STAR PARTICIPANT:

- IS NO LONGER INTERESTED IN RECEIVING STAR SERVICES
- EXITS SECONDARY AND IS NOT PURSUING POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION
- EXITS POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION OR TRAINING PROGRAM
- APPLIES TO VR FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES





THE STAR PARTICIPANT

SELF-DIRECTED:

- POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION OR TRAINING
- SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT
- TIME-LIMITED TREATMENT

REQUIRING SUPPORTS:

- JOB PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE
 - EMPLOYMENT RELATED ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND DEVICES
 - TRANSPORTATION
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STAR PROGRAM

Under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Pre-Employment Transition Services must be offered to students with disabilities without requiring them to apply for, or be determined eligible for, these services.

WIOA established VR as the primary agency for preparing youth with disabilities for employment while the youth are still in high school or attending post secondary school (trade, college, or university). VR will deliver specific Pre-Employment Transition Services including:

- Career Exploration Counseling
- Work Readiness Training
- Community-Based Work Experiences
- Self-Advocacy

The students are not traditional VR customers, but have been referred to VR by school districts for limited (pre-employment) services.

Building Careers for Transition Students

This brochure includes information about traditional VR and the STAR Program, so you can select the program that's right for you. Both offer pre-employment transition services that will prepare you for your new career.

- [Building Careers for Transition Students \(PDF\)](#)
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- [Construyendo Carreras Para Alumnos de Transición \(PDF\)](#)
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THE STAR USERS: NEW VR ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

VR YOUTH TECH

- REQUEST SERVICES IN STAR
- LIAISON BETWEEN VR AND SCHOOL
- MEET REGULARLY WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES
 - REFERRAL CONSULTATION
 - TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



THE STAR USERS: SCHOOL DISTRICT STAFF

POINTS OF CONTACT (POC)

- ESE DIRECTORS WHO ASSIGN SCHOOL LEVEL INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE STAR REFERRALS

SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES (SDR)

- REFER STUDENTS FOR STAR SERVICES





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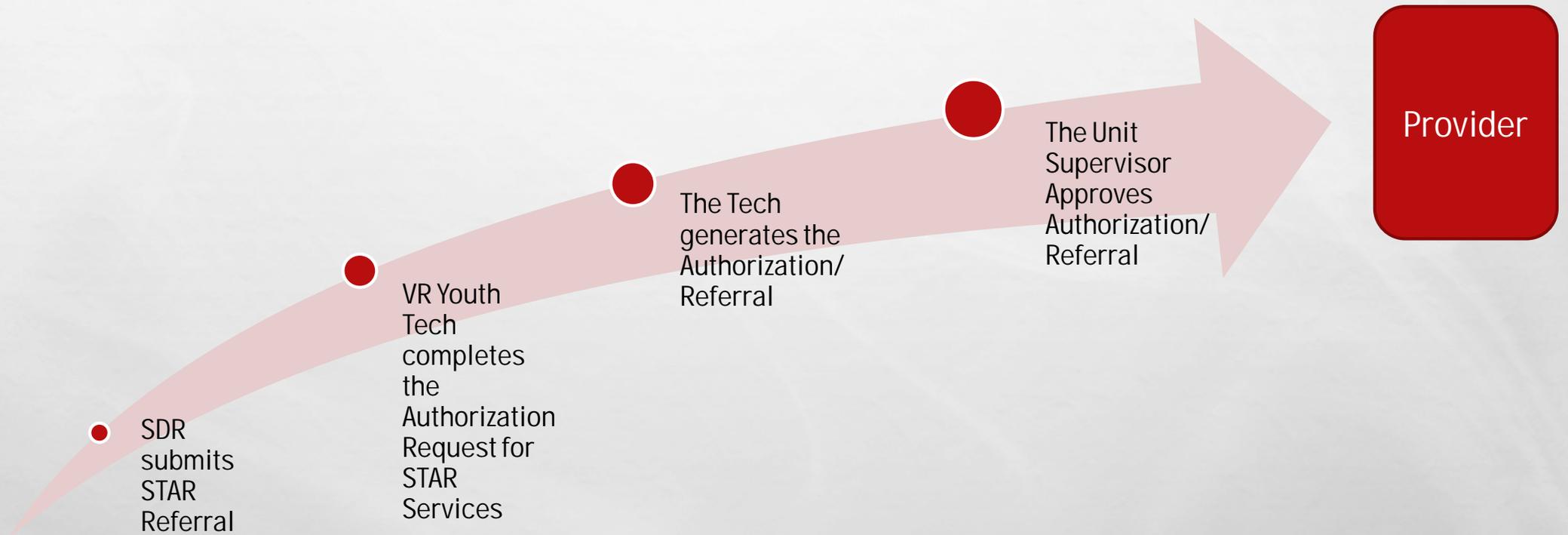
STAR REFERRAL PORTAL

STAR Services 

• Denotes required field.

1. Home 2. Student 3. School 4. Accommodation 5. Services 6. Confirmations

STAR REFERRAL PROCESS



PRE-ETS BENCHMARK PAYMENTS

Benchmark	Service	Amount
Work Readiness Training	Pre-Placement Training	\$302.00
Work Experiences (OJT)	OJT Plan and Agreement	\$980.00
	OJT Final Report	\$653.00
	OJT Reimbursement to Employer	
Career Assessments	Psychological (Aptitude and Interest ONLY)	\$81.62
	Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation	\$849.00
	On-the Job Evaluation	\$1,485.00
	Discovery I	\$1,750.00
	Discovery II	\$39.00/hour (up to 15 hours)

PRE-ETS BENCHMARK PAYMENTS

Benchmark	Service	Amount
Self-Advocacy Training (off contract services)	Course 1 (20 hours)	\$400.00
	Course 1 Extension Activities	\$20/hour (up to 5 hours)
	Course 2 (25 hours)	\$500.00
	Course 2 Extension Activities	\$20/hour (up to 10 hours)



SCHOOL DISTRICT TRAINING

- WEDNESDAY - 10/19/16 – 2:30-4:00PM EST
 - THURSDAY - 10/20/16 – 2:30-4:00PM EST
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