Counselors specializing in serving persons who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may be contacted at these offices:

NCDVRS • 8 Barbetta Drive Asheville, NC 28806 (828)670-3377 (V/VP) (828)670-3388 (TTY) Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, Mitchell, Swain, Transylvania, Yancey

NCDVRS • 5501 Executive Center Drive, Ste. 101 Charlotte, NC 28212 (704)568-8804 (V) (704)569-1192 (TTY) Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Stanly, Union

NCDVRS • 3401-A West Wendover Avenue Greensboro, NC 27407 (336)299-7337 (V/VP) (336)299-9298 (V/TTY) Alamance, Caswell, Guilford, Randolph, Rockingham

NCDVRS • 2719 Graves Drive – Suite 14 Goldsboro, NC 27534 (919)778-3795 (V/TTY) Carteret, Craven, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, Onslow, Pamlico, Wayne

WorkSource East VR Facility (919)731-7973 (V)

NCDVRS • 1200 Fairmont Court Fayetteville, NC 28304 (910)486-1101 (V) (910)484-4877 (VP/TTY) Anson, Bladen, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Sampson, Montgomery, Moore, Scotland, Richmond, Robeson

NCDVRS • 101 Fox Haven Drive • Box 2487 Greenville, NC 27836 (252)830-8560 (V/TTY) Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Pasquotank, Perguimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington

NCDVRS • Burnt Mill Business Park 3340 Jaeckle Drive, Suite 201 Wilmington, NC 28403 (910)251-5710 (V/VP) (910)251-2758 (TTY) Brunswick, Columbus, Duplin, New Hanover, Pender NCDVRS • 2201 Brewer Road Winston-Salem, NC 27127 (336)784-2700 (V) (336)784-2717 (VP/TTY) Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, Yadkin

NCDVRS • 10 Medical Court Henderson, NC 27536 (252)492-3141 (V) (252)436-2005 (TTY) Franklin, Granville, Person, Vance, Warren

NCDVRS • 2803 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2803 (919)733-7807 (V) Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Lee, Orange, Wake

NCDVRS • NC School for the Deaf Morganton, NC 28655 (828)432-5404 (V/TTY/VP) Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, McDowell, Polk, Rowan, Rutherford, Watauga, Wilkes

NCDVRS • 306 West Nash Street Wilson, NC 27893 (252)237-7161 (V/TTY/VP) Edgecombe, Halifax, Nash, Northampton, Wilson

Where phone numbers are not accessible by TTY, please call (800)RELAYNC or (800)735-2962.

NC Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

2801 Mail Service Center • Raleigh, NC 27699-2801 (919)855-3500 • 1-800-689-9090 • TTY (919)855-3579 Fax (919)715-0616 • www.ncdhhs.gov/dvrs



State of North Carolina • Department of Health and Human Services www.ncdhhs.gov

NCDHHS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or provision of services. 20,000 copies of this public document were printed at a cost of \$1740 or .087 per copy. 04/08

Employment Services for People Who Are



Vocational Rehabilitation Services A.C. Division of

VR Serves Individuals With Hearing Loss.

The North Carolina Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services provides services to individuals who are deaf, hard-of-hearing or late-deafened to assist them in preparing for, getting, or maintaining employment.

You may be eligible for services if hearing loss limits your ability to work and prevents you from getting or keeping a job.

Partnerships

You and your VR counselor will work together to help you make informed choices about your rehabilitation plan.

You and your counselor will decide on your job goal, the services you will need, and the responsibilities you will share in helping you reach your goal.

Many services are free to you or your family. For other services, the cost may depend on your income level.

What Services May Be Provided? Evaluations

- Medical, audiological, psychological
- Work evaluations

Training

- Supported employment
- On-the-job training
- Work adjustment training
- Vocational/technical schools
- Community colleges
- College/university (e.g., Gallaudet, National Technical Institute for the Deaf)

Physical Restoration

- Hearing aids
- Speech and physical therapy
- Medical and hospital care, surgery

Support Services

- Job placement
- Counseling and guidance
- Interpreter services
- Educational room and board
- Tutors and notetakers
- Rehabilitation engineering

Other

- Telecommunication devices (TTYs)
- Assistive technology
- Special equipment
- Transportation

How Do I Get Started?

- Contact the VR office that serves your county. (You'll find a listing on the back.)
- Schedule a meeting with a counselor for the deaf and the hard-of-hearing.
- Bring proof of ID and any income: e.g., payroll check stubs, tax returns, information on any disability benefit payments.
- Bring medical information on your disability (for example, an audiogram) and your doctor's contact information.
- Go to all medical and other appointments arranged by your counselor.
- With your counselor, develop an individualized plan for emploment that will become your "map" in helping you reach your career goals.



Can VR Help Me Find A Job?

Each year in North Carolina, employers hire hundreds of individuals with hearing loss who have been served by VR.

More and more businesses are discovering that people with hearing loss make excellent employees.

Once you're eligible for VR services, you can do your part in finding a job by:

- Completing the objectives in your individualized plan for employment.
- Meeting regularly with VR staff.
- Attending a job-seeking skills class, if needed.
- Attending a VR "Job Club" if there's one in your area.
- Completing job applications. Help is available if needed.
- Attending all appropriate job interviews. If needed, interpreting services are provided.

If you have a hearing loss and need help getting ready to go to work, we're right here. Let's get started!