

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES



Vocational rehabilitation order of selection - The Department of Human Services Division of Vocational Rehabilitation through its basic support grant program assists individuals with disabilities to achieve competitive employment and increased independence through rehabilitation services. The division also provides professional consultations to assist business owners and employers in finding solutions to their disability-related issues. The basic support program receives federal funds through the United States Department of Education and Rehabilitation Services Administration and funding from the general fund. The program's funding share for the basic support grant is 78.7 percent federal funds and 21.3 percent funding from the general fund.

On March 16, 2012, the division implemented an order of selection for the basic support grant program. An order of selection results from the division not having sufficient financial resources to serve all people who are eligible for services. The current order of selection is due to increased higher education costs resulting in fewer clients being able to be served within the funding available. Order of selection uses waiting lists to manage the available financial resources. Each person applying for services will be informed about the order of selection procedures. During or shortly after the eligibility determination, individuals will be assigned an order of selection category based on the severity of their disability. Individuals with the most significant disabilities will be given priority on the waiting list. The division will serve individuals as funds become available. There are 2,558 eligible individuals currently receiving services through the basic support grant program. These individuals will not be put on a waiting list.