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### Examples of Disability Categories

Amputation  
Asthma  
Diabetes  
Hearing Impairments  
Learning Disabilities  
Mental Illness  
Obesity  
Orthopedic Impairments  
Seizure Disorders  
Speech Disabilities  
Spinal Cord Injuries  
Visual Impairments

### WATVR Vision Statement

The WATVR is committed to providing Native Americans with disabilities, and the tribes we serve, vocational focused services to improve their quality of life. The WATVR will assist individuals to obtain gainful, meaningful employment, which will provide stability and enhance future generations.



## Vocational Rehabilitation Program

### **WATVR Mission Statement**

This program is designed to provide vocational rehabilitation services, which include culturally relevant services, to American Indians with physical, cognitive and mental disabilities who reside within our service area.

These services shall be consistent with eligible individuals' strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests and informed choice, so that the individual may prepare for and engage in meaningful, gainful employment which promotes self-sufficiency.



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## Eligibility Requirements

- The participant must be an enrolled citizen of a federally or state recognized tribe.
- The participant must have a physical, cognitive or mental disability.
- The participants impairment must constitute or result in a substantial impediment to employment.
- The participant can benefit from VR services, which will lead to gainful employment
- The participant requires VR services to make preparations to, enter into or retain high quality employment, that will increase self-sufficiency.
- The participant must reside within the service area for the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.

## Service Area

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|-----------------|----------------|
| Blaine County   | Grady County   |
| Caddo County    | Kiowa County   |
| Canadian County | Washita County |



## Transition Services

(but not limited to)

- Attends and advocates for students (16 or older) on an IEP or 504
- Develops work opportunities for student participants with disabilities
- Disseminate strategies and information to improve the transition to postsecondary activities for student participants
- Explore interests and capabilities of student participants 16 and older
- Vocational Counseling and Guidance
- Explore interests and capabilities of transition participants

## Potential Services

(but not limited to)

### Counseling and Guidance

The process of helping individuals discover and develop their educational, vocational and psychological potential, thereby achieving an optimal level of personal happiness.

### Information and Referral

The process of providing the individual with information, knowledge and referrals they need to confidently take action on their own behalf.

### Mental Restoration

The diagnosis and treatment of emotional or mental disorders prescribed and provided by qualified personnel in accordance with state law to enable an individual to achieve a competitive integrated employment outcome.

### Physical Restoration

Service to correct or substantially modify the limitation arising from a stable or slowly progressive physical disability to enable the individual to achieve a competitive integrated employment outcome.

### Evaluations

The purpose of a vocational evaluation is to develop realistic job goals for every individual. These evaluations are essential in assisting both the VR Counselor and the participants in making important education, employment and career based decisions.

### Vocational Training

Education and skills based training programs that prepare people for specific jobs, trades or crafts.