

Community Rehabilitation Program Standards

Per OAC 3304-1-12 Community Rehabilitation Program Standards, Opportunity for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) providers must be accredited by either by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) in an accepted employment area, the Joint Commission (JC) in the area of behavioral health, or the National Accrediting Council on agencies serving the Blind & Visually Impaired (NAC).

If an individual or organization provides all of its vocational rehabilitation services directly to consumers, using their employees, then the community rehabilitation program shall determine in which of the CARF employment areas to seek accreditation from the OOD approved list. (SEE LIST BELOW) CRPs that seek JC accreditation must be accredited in the area of Behavioral Health. CRPs that seek NAC accreditation do not need to seek accreditation in a specific area; however are highly encouraged to be surveyed in employment services.

CARF Employment Accreditation Areas – CARF Manual

- Community Employment Services (CES) - Employment & Community Service
- Community Integration (COI) - Employment & Community Service
- Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation (CVE) – Employment & Community Service
- Employee Development Services (EDS) - Employment & Community Service
- Employment Skills Training (EST) - Employment & Community Service
- Employment Planning Services (EPS) - Employment & Community Service
- Organizational Employment Services (OES) - Employment & Community Service
- Vision Rehabilitation Services (VRS) – Vision Rehabilitation Services
- Vocational Services (VS) – Medical Services

Historically OOD has accepted the following accreditation areas that are either no longer offered by CARF or will only be accepted by OOD until the specified date. Providers need to ensure that they are accredited in an approved employment area after these dates in order to continue to be listed as an approved provider.

- Employee Recovery Services (ERS)
- Service Coordination (SC) – Until September 30, 2015
- Case Management/Service Coordination(CM) – Until September 30, 2015
(OOD announced that it would discontinue accepting the SC and CM areas in 2012.)

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Subcontracting

OAC 3304-1-12 also gives OOD the right to purchase services from individuals and organizations which are not accredited but are providing services under another organization's accreditation. OOD refers to this arrangement as a subcontracting relationship. Subcontracting relationships must be approved by OOD. OOD reserves the right to review, limit, modify, or cease the purchase of subcontracted services at its discretion. In order for a subcontractor to provide the services listed in the table below, the CARF accredited organization must be accredited in the area listed to the left of the service. JC and NAC include subcontracted services in their accreditation surveys; therefore no specific accreditation areas are required for subcontracting relationships under JC or NAC accreditation.

Service	Must Be Accredited In The Following CARF Areas...
Community Based Assessment	Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation (CVE) Employment Planning Services (EPS)
Vocational Testing	Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation (CVE) Employment Planning Services (EPS)
Career Exploration	Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation (CVE) Employment Planning Services (EPS)
Personal Adjustment	Community Integration (COI) Employee Development Services (ED) Case Management/Service Coordination (CM)* Service Coordination (SC)* Vocational Services (VS)
Travel Training	Community Integration (COI) Employee Development Services (ED) Case Management/Service Coordination (CM)* Service Coordination (SC)* Vocational Services (VS)
Orientation & Mobility	Community Integration (COI) Vision Rehabilitation Services (VRS)
Rehabilitation Teaching	Community Integration (COI) Case Management/Service Coordination (CM)* Service Coordination (SC)* Vision Rehabilitation Services (VRS)
Work Adjustment	Employee Development Services (EDS) Employment Skills Training (EST) Organizational Employment Services (OES) Vocational Services (VS)
Summer Youth Work Experience	Employee Development Services (EDS) Employment Skills Training (EST) Organizational Employment Services (OES) Vocational Services (VS)
Job Readiness Training	Employee Development Services (EDS) Employment Skills Training (EST) Organizational Employment Services (OES) Vocational Services (VS)
Job Coaching	Community Employment Services (CES) Employment Skills Training (EST)
Job Retention	Community Employment Services (CES) Employment Skills Training (EST)
Job Seeking Skills Training	Community Employment Services (CES) Employment Skills Training (EST)
Job Development Services	Community Employment Services (CES) Employment Skills Training (EST)

* These accreditation areas will be accepted up until September 30, 2015. CRPs will need to be accredited in an approved area after that to continue to be listed as a provider.