

## THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION UNIT

### HELPING MINNESOTA'S INJURED WORKERS RETURN TO WORK

At the Department of Labor and Industry's Vocational Rehabilitation unit (VRU) we provide vocational rehabilitation services to eligible injured workers to restore the injured worker to a job related to their former employment or to a job in another work field. VRU provides services to both injured workers with accepted claims and those whose claims were denied or suspended to help them return to work.

We have six offices throughout the state and our staff members travel to meet with clients.

#### Services available

- Medical management
- Return-to-work assistance
- Job analysis
- Vocational counseling
- Vocational testing
- Transferable-skills analysis
- Job-seeking-skills training
- Job placement
- Retraining planning
- Court testimony



We have more than two centuries of experience providing rehabilitation services to injured workers. VRU comprises 10 qualified rehabilitation consultants (QRCs), four placement professionals, two QRC supervisors, one director, a state program administrator, a management analyst and office administrative support staff members.

Our staff members have diverse professional and cultural backgrounds, including:

- workers' compensation
- vocational evaluation
- job development and job placement
- human resources
- insurance industry
- brain injury rehabilitation
- group-home supervisor
- Spanish fluency
- occupational therapy
- teaching and career planning
- corrections and re-entry programming
- chemical dependency counseling
- human rights advocacy
- recruiter

VRU's [brochure](#) includes detailed information about our office locations and services.

To request VRU assistance, [refer in Work Comp Campus](#) or call 651-284-5038.