



Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency

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GVRA Seeks Statewide Feedback from Stakeholders

Policy changes would take effect January 1, 2024

ATLANTA, Ga. – The Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency (GVRA) is actively seeking public comment, from stakeholders across the state on proposed revisions to the agency’s Client Service Policy Manual. Public comment is required prior to the adoption of any substantive policy or procedure governing the provision of vocational rehabilitation services. The public, including individuals with disabilities, must be provided an opportunity to comment on proposed policy or procedural changes under federal requirements.

“Stakeholder feedback is a critical part of the process when making revisions to policies and procedures that directly impact those we serve,” says GVRA Executive Director Chris Wells. “The public comment mechanism also allows our clients and potential clients to have a voice in the process,” Wells continued.

WHO: All stakeholders across Georgia

WHAT: An invitation to comment publicly on GVRA policy or procedure updates, specifically related to the Client Service Policy Manual

WHEN: Now through November 20, 2023

WHY: Stakeholder input regarding policy updates is mandatory, pursuant to 34 CFR 361.20

HOW: Stakeholders are encouraged to visit www.gvs.ga.gov, where a link to the public comment page appears. Once on the page, stakeholders may view the summary of policy manual changes, the Client Service Policy Manual (tracked changes), and the proposed Client Service Policy Manual. After reviewing those documents, stakeholders may complete the comment form.

For additional information, contact Carla Murphy, Public Affairs Director at Carla.Murphy@gvs.ga.gov or (470) 816-6501.

About the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency

Established in July 2012, the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency (GVRA) operates five integrated and interdependent statutory programs that share a primary goal - to serve Georgians with disabilities to empower them to live independent lives.

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