FACT sheet



Disability Related Employment Supports (DRES)

Program

DRES provides supports and services to persons with disabilities by addressing the disability-related barriers limiting access to education and employment.

To qualify, an individual must:

- have a permanent or long term disability that creates a barrier to employment or the education and training needed to obtain employment,
- develop a plan that will lead to employment,
- be an Alberta resident, and
- not be eligible for other funding to cover the costs of disability related supports or services.

DRES is offered in three areas:

Job Search Supports

Job Search Supports such as sign language interpreters or rental of software and technical devices can be provided to assist a person with disabilities to attend job search workshops or job interviews.

Workplace Supports

Workplace Supports assist individuals make successful transitions to the workplace or to maintain employment during a disability related job crisis.

The services/supports may include a sign language interpreter, worksite modifications, or assistive technology. Assistive technology may include the purchase and set up of technology supports required to alleviate, reduce or remove a barrier to employment.

Educational Supports

Disability-related education supports may include sign language interpreters, tutors, note-takers, and student assistants.

Assistive technology may also be provided, such as software programs specific to the disability. These supports may be available to individuals with disability who are participating in programs such as training for work, basic skill training, or in private or out-of-province post-secondary education.

For more information:

Click: humanservices.alberta.ca/DRES

Call:

Career Information Hotline:

Toll-free: 1-800-661-3753 or in Edmonton: 780-422-4266

Come in:

To find the nearest Alberta Works Centre, visit humanservices.alberta.ca/offices

For more career and employment information:

Click: alis.alberta.ca

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