

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Labor—Division of Workers Compensation

Article 24.—Rehabilitation

51-24-5. Qualifications for counselor, evaluator, and job placement specialist.

(a) Each person seeking to qualify as a vocational rehabilitation counselor for cases under the Kansas workers compensation act shall:

(1) furnish proof to the director that the person has:

(A) a masters degree from a nationally accredited program in rehabilitation counselor education; or

(B)(i) a masters degree in counseling, guidance and counseling, clinical psychology, counseling psychology, clinical social work or any related field which includes nine hours of graduate course work in counseling; and

(ii) one year of experience as a vocational rehabilitation counselor or completion of a nationally accredited rehabilitation counselor internship program from a college or university; or

(C) 32 graduate hours from an accredited rehabilitation counseling program, including coursework from at least nine of the following graduate courses:

- (i) Medical aspects of disability;
- (ii) counseling theories;
- (iii) individual and group appraisal;
- (iv) career information service;
- (v) evaluation techniques in rehabilitation;
- (vi) placement process in rehabilitation;
- (vii) psychological aspects of disability;
- (viii) case management in rehabilitation;
- (ix) utilization of community resources;
- (x) survey of rehabilitation;
- (xi) supervised practicum in rehabilitation; or

(D) a bachelors degree in rehabilitation services and three years of experience as a vocational rehabilitation counselor;

(2) furnish the director with the addresses and telephone numbers of that person's offices and the names of the vendors with whom that person is affiliated;

(3) acknowledge that the person's qualification may be suspended or revoked if the person performs work in a rehabilitation discipline other than a discipline in which that person has been found to be qualified by the director; and

(4) acknowledge that the person's qualification may be suspended or revoked if the person repeatedly fails to file reports with the director in a timely manner or fails to comply with the regulations adopted by the director.

(b) Each person seeking to qualify as a vocational rehabilitation evaluator shall:

(1) furnish proof to the director that the person has:

(A) a masters or doctoral degree in vocational evaluation, rehabilitation counseling or work adjustment, and one year of experience as a vocational evaluator; or

(B) a masters degree in counseling, psychology, adult education or any related field which includes at least nine graduate hours in testing, evaluation and assessment and one year of experience as a vocational evaluator; or

(C) one year of experience as a vocational evaluator and 32 graduate hours from an accredited rehabilitation counseling program, including coursework from at least nine of the following graduate courses:

(i) Medical aspects of disability;

(ii) counseling theories;

(iii) individual and group appraisal;

(iv) career information service;

(v) evaluation techniques in rehabilitation;

(vi) placement process in rehabilitation;

(vii) psychological aspects in disability;

(viii) case management in rehabilitation;

(ix) utilization of community resources;

(x) survey of rehabilitation; and

(xi) supervised practicum in rehabilitation; or

(D) a bachelors degree in vocational rehabilitation evaluation, psychology, special education or rehabilitation services and three years of experience as a vocational evaluator under the supervision of a masters degree vocational evaluator;

(2) furnish the director with the addresses and telephone numbers of that person's offices and the names of the vendors with whom that person is affiliated; and

(3) acknowledge that the person's qualification may be suspended or revoked if the person performs work in a rehabilitation discipline other than a discipline in which that person has been found to be qualified by the director; and

(4) acknowledge that the person's qualification may be suspended or revoked if the person repeatedly fails to file reports with the director in a timely manner or fails to comply with the regulations adopted by the director.

(c) Each person seeking to qualify as a vocational rehabilitation job placement specialist shall:

(1) furnish proof to the director that the person has:

(A) a masters or bachelors degree in vocational rehabilitation counseling, vocational counseling, rehabilitation services or job placement; or

(B) a bachelors degree in counseling, sociology, psychology or any related field and one year of experience as a job placement specialist for disabled individuals; or

(C) at least two years of college level education and three years of experience as a job placement specialist for disabled individuals; or

(D) qualified as a vocational rehabilitation counselor under K.A.R. 51-24-5;

(2) furnish the director with the addresses and telephone numbers of the person's offices and the names of the vendors with whom that person is affiliated;

(3) acknowledge that the person's qualification may be suspended or revoked if the person performs work in a rehabilitation discipline other than a discipline in which that person has been found to be qualified by the director; and

(4) acknowledge that the person's qualification may be suspended or revoked if the person fails to file reports with the director in a timely manner or fails to comply with the regulations adopted by the director.

(d) Each person employed by or working under contract as a counselor, evaluator or job placement specialist for the Kansas department of rehabilitation services or other

state or federal vocational rehabilitation agency shall be considered qualified in that person's discipline while working for that agency.

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