

## State Entities Serving Virginians with Physical and Sensory Disabilities\*

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<p><b>Department of Rehabilitative Services (DRS)</b></p> <p>James A. Rothrock, M. S., L.P.C., Commissioner</p> <p>Department of Rehabilitative Services 8004 Franklin Farms Dr. Richmond, VA 23229</p> <p>Phone: (804) 662-7000 Voice (804) 662-9040 TTY</p>	<p>State Agency § 51.5-8</p>	<p>Adults and older youths with disabilities</p>	<p>Services to People with Disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• employment/rehabilitation</li> <li>• community-based services/independent living</li> <li>• assistive technology / devices and equipment</li> <li>• disability benefits determinations</li> </ul> <p>Services to Employers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• recruitment</li> <li>• assistance with accommodation issues</li> <li>• promoting diversity in the workplace</li> </ul>	<p>In partnership with people with disabilities and their families, the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services collaborates with the public and private sectors to provide and advocate for the highest quality services that empower individuals with disabilities to maximize their employment, independence and full inclusion into society.</p>	<p><b>State Rehabilitation Council (SRC)</b> § 51.5-4 Advisory council</p> <p><b>Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative Advisory Board</b> § 51.5-12.3 Advisory board related to administration of Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative Trust Fund</p> <p><b>Statewide Independent Living Council</b> § 51.5-25.1. (see below)</p> <p><b>Disability Services Council</b> § 51.5-49. (see below)</p>
<p><b>Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center (WWRC)</b></p> <p>Richard S. Luck, Ed.D. Director</p> <p>P.O. Box 1500 Fishersville, VA 22939</p> <p>Phone: (800) 345-9972 Voice (800) 811-7893 TTY</p>	<p>A Division of DRS</p>	<p>Adults, Young Adults and Adolescents</p>	<p>Services to People with Disabilities</p> <p>Vocational:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• brain injury services</li> <li>• counseling &amp; case management</li> <li>• life skills transition program</li> <li>• PERT program</li> <li>• vocational evaluation</li> <li>• employment &amp; occupational skills training</li> </ul> <p>Medical:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• assistive technology</li> <li>• communications</li> <li>• occupational therapy/physical therapy</li> <li>• physicians &amp; nursing services</li> <li>• psychological services</li> <li>• supportive living services</li> <li>• short term rehabilitation unit</li> <li>• spinal cord injury services</li> </ul>	<p>Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center provides people with disabilities comprehensive, individualized services to realize optimal personal independence and employment.</p>	<p><b>Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center Foundation</b> 501 (c) 3 non profit Volunteer organization</p> <p><b>Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center Council of Organizations</b> 501(c) 3 non profit Volunteer organization</p> <p><b>Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center Alumni Association</b> 501 (c) 3 non profit Volunteer organization</p>

\* This matrix is by no means inclusive of all state entities that provide services to people with disabilities. It is a listing of entities that are created with a primary purpose of serving Virginians with disabilities. Other entities are listed in the RoadMap to Services, provided by the Department of Medical Assistance Services. Also, the Biennial Assessment of the Disabilities Services System in Virginia, published in April 2006 by the Virginia Board for People with Disabilities contains a wealth of information about programs and services in the Commonwealth.

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<p><b>Department for the Blind and Visually Impaired (DBVI)</b></p> <p>Joseph A. Bowman, Commissioner</p> <p>397 Azalea Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23227 800-622-2155 (Voice/TTY) 804-371-3140 (Voice/TTY)</p>	<p>State Agency § 51.5-64</p>	<p>People of all ages who are blind, deafblind, or vision impaired</p>	<p>Employment assistance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• vocational evaluation &amp; career planning</li> <li>• job training</li> <li>• transition from school to work</li> <li>• job placement</li> <li>• assistive technologies</li> <li>• Virginia Industries for the Blind</li> <li>• Randolph-Sheppard vending program</li> </ul> <p>Independent living assistance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• assessments</li> <li>• training in Braille, travel with the long cane and other alternate living skills for the blind</li> <li>• low vision assessments, optical aids and training</li> <li>• independent living training for seniors</li> <li>• specialized services for deafblind</li> <li>• Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind</li> </ul>	<p>The mission of the Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired is to empower blind, visually impaired, and deafblind individuals to achieve their maximum level of employment, education, and personal independence.</p>	<p><b>Board for the Blind and Vision Impaired</b> § 51.5-61 Advisory board</p> <p><b>State Rehabilitation Council for the Blind and Vision Impaired</b> § 51.5-71 Advisory council regarding vocational services</p> <p><b>State Advisory Board for the Virginia Industries for the Blind</b> §51.5-72.1 Advisory board regarding creating opportunities in career development and employment-related services</p>
<p><b>Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (VDDHH)</b></p> <p>Ronald L. Lanier, Director</p> <p>1602 Rolling Hills Dr, Suite 203 Richmond, Virginia 23229</p> <p>804-662-9502 (Voice/TTY)  800-552-7917 (Voice/TTY)</p>	<p>State Agency § 51.5-108</p>	<p>People of all ages who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or late deafened</p>	<p>Interpreter Services</p> <p>Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for people who are deaf and hard of hearing and their families</li> <li>• for businesses, public safety officials,</li> </ul> <p>Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• technology assistance program</li> <li>• Virginia Relay – TTY</li> </ul>	<p>The Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (VDDHH) works to reduce the communication barriers between persons who are deaf or hard of hearing and their families and the professionals who serve them. VDDHH operates with the full understanding that communication is the most critical issue facing persons who are deaf or hard of hearing. The foundation of all programs at VDDHH is communication - both as a service (through interpreters, technology and other modes) and as a means of sharing information for public awareness (through training and education).</p>	<p><b>Advisory Board for the Department of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing</b> § 51.5-106 Advisory board</p>

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<p><b>Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy (VOPA)</b></p> <p>Colleen Miller, Executive Director</p> <p>1910 Byrd Avenue, Suite 5 Richmond, VA 23230 800-552-3962 804-225-2042 (Voice/TTY)</p>	<p>Independent State Agency § 51.5-39.2 (mostly federally funded)</p>	<p>People of all ages with all types of disabilities</p>	<p>Services provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• information and referral</li> <li>• technical assistance</li> <li>• advocacy</li> <li>• legal representation</li> </ul>	<p>Through zealous and effective advocacy and legal representation to: protect and advance legal, human, and civil rights of persons with disabilities; combat and prevent abuse, neglect, and discrimination; and promote independence, choice, and self-determination by persons with disabilities</p>	<p><b>Board for Protection and Advocacy</b> § 51.5-39.2 Governing board <b>Disability Advisory Council</b> Advisory council <b>PAIMI (Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness) Council</b> Advisory council</p>
<p><b>Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority (ATLFA)</b></p> <p>Joey Wallace, Executive Director</p> <p>Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority 1602 Rolling Hills Drive, Suite 107 Richmond, Virginia 23229 804-662-9000 866-835-5976</p>	<p>Political subdivision §51.5-54</p>	<p>People of all ages with all types of disabilities</p>	<p>Individuals: Offers low-interest loans to Virginia residents with disabilities and their families to obtain assistive technology, including equipment and home modifications.</p> <p>Businesses: Offers loans to obtain assistive technology to employ or train people with disabilities or make structural changes to make structural changes consistent with ADA.</p>	<p>The Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority's (ATLFA) mission is to facilitate favorable credit financing of assistive technology for Virginians with disabilities.</p>	<p><b>Board of Directors</b> § 51.5-55</p>
<p><b>Virginia Board for People with Disabilities (VBPD)</b></p> <p>Heidi Lawyer, Executive Director</p> <p>202 N. 9th Street, 9th Floor Richmond, VA 23219 804-786-0016 (Voice) 800-846-4464 (Voice/TTY)</p>	<p>Policy board § 51.5-31</p>	<p>People of all ages with disabilities, particularly developmental disabilities</p>	<p>Works to promote and guide public policy changes and create opportunities for new approaches in our service delivery systems.</p>	<p>To enrich the lives of Virginians with disabilities by providing a VOICE for their concerns.</p> <p>Vision of communities that welcome people with disabilities Outreach to individuals, families and advocates Innovation through grant projects and sponsored programs Collaboration with providers of disability services Education of policymakers on disability issues</p>	

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<b>Disability Services Boards (DSBs)</b>	Locally appointed boards § 51.5-47	People of all ages with physical and sensory disabilities	Provide input to state agencies on local needs and provide information and resources to local governments on ADA and other issues.	[No single mission statement]	<p><b>Disability Services Council (DSC) - § 51.5-49</b>  Develops guidelines for DSB establishment, needs assessment reports, and the Rehabilitative Services Incentive Fund (RSIF). The Council reviews RSIF request proposals for consistency with the guidelines and determine awards for competitive RSIF proposals.  Made up of the Commissioners of DRS and DBVI, the Director of VDDHH, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and four members appointed by the Governor.</p>
<b>Centers for Independent Living (CILs)</b>	Independent nonprofit organizations funded in part by state funds. § 51.5-25	People of all ages with all types of disabilities	Under § 51.5-25, CIL services must include advocacy, peer counseling, independent living skills training, information and referral.	[No single mission statement: There are sixteen CILs throughout the state, each run by its own board.]	<p><b>Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) - § 51.5-25.1</b>  Independent planning body that works with DRS and DBVI to increase the impact of Independent Living (IL) services in Virginia.</p> <p>With DRS and DBVI, develops the State Plan for Independent Living required under Title VII of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 796 et seq.).</p>

## Governor's Initiative for Community Integration of People with Disabilities

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<p><b>Community Integration Implementation Team</b></p> <p>Chair: Julie A. Stanley, Director of Community Integration for People with Disabilities</p> <p>Office of the Governor 1111 E. Broad Street Richmond, VA 23219</p> <p>804-371-0828</p>	<p>Executive working team created by Executive Orders 61 (2004); 84 (2005) and 2 (2006) to continue to implement the <i>Olmstead</i> United States Supreme Court decision and related community integration laws.</p>	<p>People of all ages with all types of disabilities</p>	<p>21-agency, four-secretariat team to develop and annually update a comprehensive, cross-governmental strategic plan, the purpose of which is to assure continued community integration of Virginians with disabilities, focusing on people currently in, or at risk of unwanted admission to mental health, mental retardation, assisted living and nursing facilities.</p>	<p>To develop and annually update a comprehensive, cross-governmental strategic plan, the purpose of which is to assure continued community integration of Virginians with disabilities; seek advice and input from the Governor's Olmstead Community Integration Oversight Advisory Board as the strategic plan is developed; develop budget and legislative proposals that support implementation of the strategic plan; and report by July 15 to the Board on the status of community integration of Virginians with disabilities.</p>	<p><b>Community Integration Oversight Advisory Board</b></p> <p>Gubernatorial advisory commission to monitor implementation of laws concerning community integration of people with disabilities, and make recommendations to Implementation Team and Governor. Also reviews and advises the Director and the Implementation Team on its strategic plan; and reports recommendations to the Governor.</p> <p>See also Ch. 894, 2006 Acts of Assembly (Puller), creating Community Integration Advisory Commission.</p>