

WAC 246-341-0720 Outpatient services—Recovery support—Supported employment mental health and substance use disorder services. Supported employment mental health and substance use disorder services assist in job search, placement services, and training to help individuals find competitive jobs in their local communities.

(1) An agency that provides certified supported employment services must meet the general requirements for recovery support services in WAC 246-341-0718.

(2) A behavioral health agency that provides supported employment services must have knowledge of and provide individuals access to employment and education opportunities by coordinating efforts with one or more entities that provide other rehabilitation and employment services, such as:

(a) The department of social and health services' division of vocational rehabilitation (DVR), which provides supported employment under WAC 388-891-0840 by community rehabilitation program contract as described in WAC 388-892-0100;

(b) The department of social and health services' community services offices;

(c) Community, trade, and technical colleges;

(d) The business community;

(e) WorkSource, Washington state's official site for online employment services;

(f) Washington state department of employment security; and

(g) Organizations that provide job placement within the community.

(3) A behavioral health agency that provides supported employment services must:

(a) Ensure all staff members who provide direct services for employment are knowledgeable and familiar with services provided by the department's division of vocational rehabilitation;

(b) Conduct and document a vocational assessment in partnership with the individual that includes work history, skills, training, education, and personal career goals;

(c) Assist the individual to create an individualized job and career development plan that focuses on the individual's strengths and skills;

(d) Assist the individual to locate employment opportunities that are consistent with the individual's skills, goals, and interests;

(e) Provide and document any outreach, job coaching, and support at the individual's worksite when requested by the individual or the individual's employer; and

(f) If the employer makes a request, provide information regarding the requirements of reasonable accommodations, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and Washington state antidiscrimination law.

[Statutory Authority: 2018 c 201 and 2018 c 291. WSR 19-09-062, § 246-341-0720, filed 4/16/19, effective 5/17/19.]