

**STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL  
DRAFT MEETING AGENDA**

**June 9, 2025**

Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services  
8004 Franklin Farms Drive  
Henrico, VA 23229

**SRC Executive Committee Meeting**

**9:30 a.m.            Call to Order**  
Introduction of Members (*Schantz, Martin, Zweerink, Liddell*)  
Approval of Draft Agenda  
Approval of March Minutes  
Matters of Public Comment

**9:40 a.m.            Updates from Staff**

**9:45 a.m.            Adjourn**

**SRC Business Meeting**

**10:00 a.m.            Call to Order and Introduction of Members**  
Approval of Agenda  
Review of March Minutes  
Matters of Public Comment

**10:15 a.m.            Chairperson's Report**  
Executive Committee Report  
Volunteers (2-3) for Nominating Committee

**10:45 a.m.            Commissioner's Report**  
Dale Batten, Deputy Commissioner

**11:00 a.m.            Comprehensive Statewide Needs Assessment Update (Virtual)**  
Chaz Compton, Project Director, SDSU Interwork Institute  
Devin Bowers

**11:45 p.m.            Break (15 minutes)**

**12:00 p.m.            Working Lunch**

**Consumer Satisfaction Survey Update**  
Barbara Burkett/Wil Barber

**Hearing Officer Selection Update**  
Cara Kaufman

**Policy Update**  
Catherine Harrison

**12:45 p.m.**      **DRS Division Reports**  
Dale Batten and DRS Staff

*To include WWRC update and reporting on the following 2024 SRC Recommendations:*

*To address the decreasing number of individuals seeking full-time employment, DARS shall seek to maintain the number of hours worked and full-time employment rate of adults who access DARS services with a goal of ensuring that individuals who receive DARS services understand their options through benefits counselling and are able to make an informed choice regarding their employment. DARS should report on benefits counseling services at the first meeting of 2025, including current data and historical trends.*

*Equity in the provision of vocational rehabilitation (VR) services is imperative. In order to achieve successful closures, DARS should examine barriers, successes, and service delivery – paying particular attention to marginalized and underserved populations – as well as aligning efforts with available Census population and workforce participation data. Outreach should be targeted toward marginalized and underserved populations, working consistently toward representative customer demographics – particularly with regard to race/ethnicity, age, and location. DARS should prioritize outcomes and employment in competitive integrated settings for unserved and underserved populations, including individuals transitioning out of subminimum wage or at risk of entering segregated settings, individuals with mental health conditions, and justice-involved individuals. DARS shall report on their assessment and efforts at the second 2025 SRC meeting.*

*DARS shall serve more students with disabilities and requests that DARS provides quarterly reports on efforts to serve this population, particularly students with disabilities.*

*DARS will report on business development efforts including collaboration with ESOs, workforce development partners, and businesses that support the hiring of individuals with disabilities with an emphasis on the practices and procedures to onboard these partners at the first SRC meeting of 2025.*

**2:15 p.m.**      **Member Roundtable Reports**  
(Please send written summary by email before meeting if possible.)

**2:30 p.m.**      **Public Comment**

**2:45 p.m.**      **Full Council Adjourn**

### PUBLIC ACCESS DETAILS:

- To stream the meeting live, please visit: <https://dsa-virginia.zoomgov.com/j/1615061949?pwd=OIIOUb2YjRo2lLjgLTjRmRgsOVFZTh.1>; Passcode: 722046
- Public comment will be accepted by email to [meghan.cox@dars.virginia.gov](mailto:meghan.cox@dars.virginia.gov) or phone at (804) 249-4105.
- Public comments received by June 5, 2025 will be read (or if lengthy, summarized) during the meeting.

*Under §51.5-129 of the Code of Virginia, the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC) is established as a designated state council in the executive branch of government for the purpose of providing advice to and performing other functions for the Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services regarding vocational services provided pursuant to Title I and Title VI of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. The SRC is a public body that holds public meetings, pursuant to relevant provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).*