State Rehabilitation Council

Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
DARS Central Office
5620 Cox Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060

Annual Retreat Draft Agenda

November 9, 2026

9:30 a.m. **Welcome & Introductions; Brandy Schantz, SRC Chair**

9:45 a.m. **Public Comment**

10:00 a.m. **Evaluating the Effectiveness of the VR Program FFY 2026 Performance: Successes, Challenges and Trends**
Presenters: Dale Batten, Deputy Commissioner DRS and Matt Doum, Senior Research and Evaluation Analyst DARS

11:30 a.m. **BREAK**

11:45 a.m. **Working Lunch**
DARS Agency Responses to 2025 SRC Recommendations
Presenter: Date Batten, Deputy Commissioner DRS

12:30 p.m. **Commissioner's Remarks**

12:45 p.m. **Development of 2026 SRC Recommendations**

2:20 p.m. **Public Comment**

2:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

PUBLIC ACCESS DETAILS:

- To stream the meeting live, please visit: https://dsa-virginia.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_ix5XeL9MSam4C-0as2F7Ug
- For meeting materials, please visit: https://www.va-src.virginia.gov/
- Public comment will be accepted by email to brett.tavel@dars.virginia.gov or phone at (804) 249-4105.
- Public comments received by 12 p.m. on November 6, 2026 will be read (or if lengthy, summarized) during the meeting.

Additional Public Access Information:

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 for 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).

The mission of the Virginia State Rehabilitation Council, in partnership with the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, and in collaboration with advocacy groups, consumers and their families, is to ensure quality services for Virginians with disabilities to achieve meaningful employment, self-sufficiency and independence.