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(b) Serve as a center of national excellence and as a national or regional resource for providers and individuals with disabilities and the parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives of the individuals;

(c) Be of sufficient size, scope, and quality to effectively carry out the activities in an efficient manner consistent with appropriate State and Federal law; and

(d) Be able to carry out training activities either directly or through another entity that can provide such training.

(Authority: Secs. 204(b) and (b)(2)(K); 29 U.S.C. 762(b) and (b)(2)(K))

§ 350.22

What activities must a Rehabilitation Research and Training Center conduct?

A Rehabilitation Research and Training Center shall—

(a) Carry out research activities by conducting coordinated and advanced programs of research in rehabilitation targeted toward the production of new knowledge that will—

(1) Improve rehabilitation methodology and service delivery systems;
(2) Alleviate or stabilize disabling conditions; and
(3) Promote maximum social and economic independence of individuals with disabilities;

(b) Conduct training activities by providing training (including graduate, pre-service, and in-service training) to assist—

(1) Rehabilitation personnel and other individuals to more effectively provide rehabilitation services; and
(2) Rehabilitation research personnel and other rehabilitation personnel to improve their capacity to conduct research; and

(c) Conduct technical assistance activities by serving as an informational and technical assistance resource for providers, individuals with disabilities, and the parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives of the individuals with disabilities, through conferences, workshops, public education programs, in-service training programs, and similar activities.

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What restriction exists on Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers regarding indirect costs?

A host institution with which a Rehabilitation Research and Training Center is affiliated may not collect more than fifteen percent of the total grant award as indirect cost charges, notwithstanding the provisions in 34 CFR 75.562.

(Authority: Sec. 204(b)(2)(O); 29 U.S.C. 762(b)(2)(O))

Subpart D—What Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers Does the Secretary Assist?

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What requirements must a Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center meet?

A Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center shall plan and conduct activities that—

(a) Further one or more of the purposes listed in §350.2; and

(b)(1) Lead to the development of methods, procedures, and devices that will benefit individuals with disabilities, especially those with the most severe disabilities; or

(2) Involve rehabilitation technology and enhance opportunities for meeting the needs of, and addressing the barriers confronted by, individuals with disabilities in all aspects of their lives.

(Authority: Sec. 204(b)(3); 29 U.S.C. 762(b)(3))

§ 350.31

What collaboration must a Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center engage in?

A Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center must be operated by or in collaboration with—

(a) One or more institutions of higher education; or