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Subpart A—General

§ 380.1 What is the program of special projects and demonstrations for providing supported employment services to individuals with the most severe disabilities and technical assistance projects?

This program is designed to provide grants for special projects and demonstrations to expand or otherwise improve the provision of supported employment services to individuals with the most severe disabilities, including projects that demonstrate the effectiveness of natural supports or other alternative approaches for supporting and maintaining individuals in supported employment, and grants for technical assistance projects.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 777a(a)(1) and 777a(c))

§ 380.2 Who is eligible for an award?

(a) Applications for Statewide demonstration projects under § 380.4 may be submitted by public and nonprofit community rehabilitation programs, designated State units, and other public and private agencies and organizations.

(b) Applications for community-based projects under § 380.5 may be submitted by public and nonprofit community rehabilitation programs, designated State units, and other public and private agencies and organizations.

(c) Applications for technical assistance projects under § 380.6 may be submitted by public agencies and nonprofit private organizations that have experience in training and provision of supported employment services.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 777a(a)(1) and 777a(c))

§ 380.3 What types of projects are authorized?

The following types of projects may be funded under this program:

(a) Statewide demonstration projects as described in § 380.4. The purpose of Statewide demonstration projects is to stimulate the development and provision of supported employment services on a statewide basis for individuals with the most severe disabilities.

(b) Community-based projects as described in § 380.5. The purposes of community-based projects are to stimulate the development of innovative approaches for improving and expanding the provision of supported employment services to individuals with the most severe disabilities, and to enhance local capacity to provide supported employment services.

(c) Technical assistance projects as described in § 380.6. The purpose of technical assistance projects is to provide technical assistance to States in implementing the State Supported Employment Services Program under 34 CFR part 363.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 777a(a)(1) and 777a(c))

§ 380.4 What activities may the Secretary fund under Statewide supported employment demonstration projects?

(a) Authorized activities. The following activities are authorized under Statewide Supported Employment demonstration projects:

(1) Program development, including program start-up costs, for new or existing community organizations and employers.

(2) Staff training.

(3) Program evaluation.

(4) Reorganization, expansion, or, if appropriate, conversion of existing programs to provide supported employment services.

(b) Restrictions on the use of funds. (1) Statewide Supported Employment demonstration project grants may not be used to provide supported employment services to individuals with the most severe disabilities.

(2) A grantee must provide, or ensure the provision of those direct services needed by individuals with the most severe disabilities in order for them to obtain and maintain employment from funds other than those made available under this part. These supported employment services include but are not limited to——

(1) Job site training to prepare and enable individuals with the most severe disabilities to perform work and maintain the job;