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Utah State Office of Rehabilitation: Division of Rehabilitative Services (VR, Voc Rehab)	A state agency mandated to assist eligible individuals with disabilities to prepare for and obtain employment, and increase independence. Also includes Services for Independent Living. Other divisions within the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation include the Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Division of Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Disability Determination Services.	Career and vocational counseling, restoration services (if required to correct, improve or stabilize a disability so the person can work), training and education, assistive technology, job placement, other employment-related services as appropriate	Eligible individuals must have a verifiable physical, mental, or psychological disability that creates problems with getting or keeping a job, can benefit from services in terms of an employment outcome, and requires VR services in order to be successfully employed.	http://www.usor.utah.gov/ An application form is available on-line. For the closest VR office, call 801-538-7530 or 800-473-7530.
Division of Services for People with Disabilities (DSPD)	A division of the Utah Department of Human Services that promotes opportunities and provides support for persons with disabilities to lead self-determined lives; oversees home and community-based services for people who have disabilities. Support includes community living, day services, supported employment services, and support for people with disabilities and their families.	Community Living (Residential Support); Companion Services; Extended Community Living Support; Host Home Support; Professional Parent: Community Living Residential Transportation; Chore and Homemaker Services; Supported Living Natural Support; Family Training/Brain Injury; Family Assistance and Support; Respite Care Support; Senior Support; Site and Non-Site Support-Children; Site and Non-Site Training; Day Training Transportation; Supported Employment; Support Coordination	Individuals may be eligible if they have the following qualifying disabilities: Intellectual Disabilities/Mental Retardation (children and adults with onset prior to age 22) includes individuals with cerebral palsy, autism, mental retardation; Acquired Brain Injury Services (ABI) (must be over age 18); Physical Disability Services (PD) (must be over age 18) includes adults with the functional limitation of 2 limbs. Prior to being removed from the waiting list and entering into services, applicants shall be determined eligible for Medicaid Waiver services.	http://www.dspd.utah.gov http://www.dspd.utah.gov/faq.asp Contains a list of frequently asked questions.

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Department of Work Force Services (DWS)	A state agency that provides employment and support services to individuals to improve their economic opportunities	Child care (if required for individual to be employed); food and financial (food stamps, financial assistance, medical); health services (Utah Medicaid, CHIP, PCN); training; career guidance; jobs; unemployment insurance; youth training programs	Willingness to become employed (eligibility is not based on disability status; disclosure of disability is an individual choice)	http://jobs.utah.gov/regions/ec.asp to find employment centers by ZIP code http://jobs.utah.gov/jobseeker/dwsdefault.asp to find information for job seekers http://justforyouth.utah.gov/ to find information for youth
Utah AHEAD - Disability Resource Centers (e.g. Accessibility Services, Student Support Services)	Higher education programs that provide necessary supports and accommodations to eligible students with disabilities to assure programmatic and physical access to higher education programs and activities	Services provided depend on the individual student's needed academic adjustments. This may include increased time for tests or assignments, note-takers, readers for course work, interpreters, and physical access. Accommodations do not include modification of program admission requirements, grading policies, or substantive content of the course or test.	Students are required to self-disclose disability. Students must provide documentation that they have a disability and require an academic adjustment; documentation requirements may vary by institution. Colleges are not required to provide evaluation or assessment services to determine student eligibility or provide personal services or equipment.	BYU University Accessibility Services… (801) 422-2767 College of Eastern Utah Center for Students with Disabilities…(435) 613-5670 Dixie State College Disabled Student Services…(435) 652-7516 SLCC Disability Resource Center… (801) 957-4659 Snow College Student Support Services… (435) 283-7321 Southern Utah University Student Support Services…(435) 865-8022 U of U Center for Disabled Student Services…(801) 581-5020 USU Disability Resource Center… (435) 797-2444 Utah Valley University Accessibility Services…(801) 863-4636 Weber State College Services for Students with Disabilities…(801) 626-6413 Westminster College…(801) 832-2280 Bridgerland ATC…(435) 753-6780 Davis ATC…(801) 593-2500 Dixie ATC…(435) 652-7730 Mountainland ATC...(801) 863-6282 Ogden-Weber ATC...(801) 627-8300 Salt Lake/Tooele ATC... (801) 957-4659 Southwest ATC...(435) 686-2899 Uintah Basin ATC...(435) 722-4523

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Independent Living	An agency to assist persons with disabilities achieve greater independence by providing services and activities which enhance independent living skills and promote the public's understanding, accommodation, and acceptance of their rights, needs and abilities.	Services to people with disabilities needing to gain independence in their homes, families, and communities, including outreach and personal assistant liaison services; assistive technology related services; training and activities for students ages 13 to 22 designed to improve life skills	Individual must have a disability	http://www.usor.utah.gov/independent-living to locate centers
Adult Education	A program of instruction below the collegiate level for adults, comprised of Adult High School Completion (AHSC/ASE), Adult Basic Education (ABE) and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL).	Adult Basic Education (ABE) – instruction for adults with academic skills below ninth grade. Adult High School Completion (AHSC) - instruction in the Utah Core Curriculum, which leads to a high school diploma. English Language Civics (ELC) and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) - instruction to improve English communication skills for those with limited English proficiency General Educational Development (GED) GED – preparation classes and testing sites are located statewide. Corrections Education - educational opportunities to adults in state prisons and jails.	Individuals who: • Who are at least 18 years of age or married, with the exception of those who are at least 16 years of age and released from compulsory attendance by the local School Board or are an adjudicated adult; or • Who lack sufficient mastery of basic educational skills or English language communication skills to enable them to function effectively in society; and/or • Who do not have a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent	http://www.schools.utah.gov/adulted/ ("Find a Program" button) to locate programs, including GED preparation and testing or contact your local school district Adult Education Director.

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Social Security Administration (SSA) • **Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)** • **Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**	The United States **Social Security Administration** (**SSA**) is an independent agency of the United States federal government that administers Social Security, a social insurance program consisting of retirement, disability, and survivors' benefits.	The **SSDI** program pays benefits to adults who have a disability that began before they became 22 years old. SSA considers this SSDI benefit as a "child's" benefit because it is paid on a parent's Social Security earnings record. The **SSI** program pays benefits to disabled adults and children who have limited income and resources.	**SSDI:** For a disabled adult to become entitled to this "child" benefit, one of his or her parents: must be receiving Social Security retirement or disability benefits; or must have died and have worked long enough under Social Security. Benefits also are payable to an adult who received dependent's benefits on a parent's Social Security earnings record prior to age 18, if he or she is disabled at age 18. SSDI disabled adult "child" benefits continue as long as the individual remains disabled. The child does not need to have worked to get these benefits. **SSI:** Children under age 18 can qualify if he or she meets Social Security's definition of disability for children, and if his or her income and resources fall within the eligibility limits. SSA reviews the individual's medical condition when he or she turns age 18 using the adult disability rules to determine eligibility. If the individual was not eligible for SSI before his or her 18th birthday because the family did not meet income or resource requirements, he or she may become eligible for SSI at age 18.	http://www.socialsecurity.gov/ is the official website; Application for disability benefits: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/applyfordisability/ Locate offices (by Zip code): https://secure.ssa.gov/apps6z/FOLO/fo001.jsp FAQ: http://ssa-custhelp.ssa.gov/cgi-bin/ssa.cfg/php/enduser/std_alp.php?p_sid=EccdpeCj

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Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health	A State agency responsible for ensuring that prevention and treatment services for substance abuse and mental health are available statewide.	Oversight and technical assistance of the public mental health and substance abuse system. Treatment services at the Utah State Hospital.	Eligibility for services is determined by the local Community and Mental Health Centers and Substance Abuse Centers throughout the State of Utah	http://www.dsamh.utah.gov/ for general information http://www.dsamh.utah.gov/locationsmap.htm to locate a treatment provider