

**Louisiana Rehabilitation Services (LRS)
LRS Director's Quarterly Report
December 2019**

PROGRAM SERVICES

Pre-Employment Transition Services:

The following information is an update of the number of students LRS has participating in Pre-ETS services.

- Total # of Pre-ETS Applications – 426
- Total # of JAG cases – 537
- Total payments - \$161,650.09

Vocational Rehabilitation Consumer Statistics (for current quarter):

Number of Applications	1,190
Number of Eligibility/Delayed	1,017
Number of New IPEs	666
Number of Closed Rehab (Successful Closures)	212
Total Open VR cases as of November 30	9,385
Total Open Pre-ETS cases as of November 30	2,144

DD Open VR Cases: October 1, 2019 thru November 27, 2019

Disability Cause	New Orleans	Baton Rouge	Houma	Lafayette	Lake Charles	Alexandria	Shreveport	Monroe	Total
Autism	178	137	45	63	29	25	53	21	551
Cerebral Palsy	40	38	11	10	9	18	28	7	161
Intellectual Disabilities	201	60	31	58	39	41	66	54	550
Specific Learning Disabilities	300	231	68	21	9	63	113	187	992
Total	719	466	155	152	86	147	260	269	2254

DD Closed Rehabilitation Cases: October 1, 2019 thru November 27, 2019

Case Status	Case Type	Disability Cause	Total
Closed-Rehab	VR	Autism	14
		Cerebral Palsy	4
		Intellectual Disabilities	14
		Specific Learning Disabilities	13
Total:			45

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Louisiana Rehabilitation Council (LRC):

The January LRC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 23, 2020 at the Courtyard by Marriott (Tiger's Den), 10307 North Mall Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70809 from 9:00am until 3:30pm. The Council is currently working on the Annual Report for the 2018-2019 year which is due December 30, 2019. There are currently four vacancies on the council.

Training:

The Houma Region has scheduled a seminar with Dr. Bergeron to provide mental health training to the Rehabilitation Counselors. The Counselors were able to submit topics to Dr. Bergeron based on current trends they are seeing. Also, Dr. Bergeron offered to explain any psychological evaluations that are complex and provide guidance or insight. New Orleans Counselors have been invited to attend this training as well.

All Regional Managers attended a video meeting to discuss American Sign Language training for staff. Each Regional Manager is meeting with their staff to determine which staff are highest priority for ASL training. We are hoping to have all interested employees registered through an online program to begin training at the beginning of next year. We are excited for this opportunity and know this will be a great benefit to our counselors and consumers.

As we continue to hire new Rehabilitation Counselors, the training department is working on scheduling the next New Counselor Academy in 2020.