Webinar: *Using Data to Guide Action for Vocational Rehabilitation Administration*

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Using Data to Guide Action for Vocational Rehabilitation Administration is the first in a planned series of webinars for state vocational rehabilitation (VR) personnel by American Institutes for Research, a not-for-profit organization engaged in research, development, evaluation, and analysis in the behavioral and social sciences.

Data are a result of our priorities and practices in VR and describe our performance to community, state, and federal stakeholders. Data play a key role in accountability and can be used to show the impact of investments in VR at both the individual and system levels. In this webinar, presenters will discuss data that are collected through VR practice and administration, how data are commonly used for reporting and programmatic decisions, and innovative ways to communicate data to stakeholders.

Topics to be discussed:
1. What Are Data?
2. Using Data to Tell a Story
3. The Importance of Quality Data
4. Communicating With Data
5. Visual Presentations of Data

Upon completing the webinar, participants will be able to:
- Provide examples of VR quantitative and qualitative data.
- Identify data that may be useful to federal-, state-, and community-level audiences.
- Describe how data can be used to show the value of VR investment and services to federal, state, and community audiences.
- Describe the attributes of quality data.
- Understand how different types of data visualizations can be used to communicate information to audiences.

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