

September 21, 2026

Important notice from the Department of Developmental Services about:

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS AFFECTED BY DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION ORDER OF SELECTION

D-2026-Employment-003

What to Know

Starting August 31, 2026, the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) entered an Order of Selection (OOS). This means DOR must place some individuals on a waiting list for services. This directive explains what regional centers must do during the OOS.

What's Changing

Nothing changes for individuals who already have a signed Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE) with DOR. Also, DOR's student services are not affected.

During OOS, regional centers must fund job development and job coaching services for individuals referred to DOR. Individuals do not have to wait to start receiving employment services from the regional center.

There are three new fees for supported employment vendors working with individuals on the DOR waitlist. These fees are in addition to service rates and incentive payments. Vendors must submit documentation to their regional center that milestones were met to claim these fees.

Questions?

Questions about OOS should be emailed to OOSQuestions@dor.ca.gov.

Regional centers can email questions to WorkServices@dds.ca.gov.

Learn More

Review the DOR order of selection website at [Order of Selection](https://www.dor.ca.gov/Home/OrderofSelection) (<https://www.dor.ca.gov/Home/OrderofSelection>).

