

Transportation Funding Roles DVR/MCO

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Please use this as a guide for discussion to determine who should provide funds for transportation services when a consumer is also served by a Managed Care Organization (MCO).

DVR Phases	Agency responsible to pay for transportation services
Eligibility Phase - When member/consumer is exploring DVR, attending the optional informational session, the initial appointment with the counselor to determine eligibility, and completing the DVR Application/Referral Form.	MCO
Assessment Phase - The general description for the Assessment Phase is when DVR is assessing the member/consumer to see what services may be needed to meet the member/consumer's employment outcome goal and writing the Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE). This may include a trial work experience, SE assessment, SE Consult or other services needed or authorized by DVR.	DVR
Visits to DVR Office - Member/consumer comes to DVR office after determined eligible for DVR services to meet with counselor to develop their IPE.	DVR
Visits to other Community Settings - As part of the Assessment Phase, when DVR counselor schedules member/consumer to participate in trial work experiences or other programs at community sites, not the DVR offices.	DVR
DVR Appointments - Once the IPE is written, all DVR appointments, trial work experiences, or any community activities related to the employment outcome are supported by DVR. IPE should describe scope of territory available for member/consumer to travel to for a job based on viable options available.	DVR
Job Search/Job Trial Phase - When the DVR member/consumer is exploring the types of employment that may be of interest.	DVR
Stabilization Work Phase - When member/consumer is working at their permanent job, but is not considered stable. Supports (job coach) are still working with the member/consumer to acclimate him/her to the job tasks and to establish natural supports. Stabilization occurs when member/consumer has learned the job and is performing at a level where s/he is able to accurately complete the required job tasks with reasonable level of supports as agreed upon in the IPE.	DVR
Long Term Supports On-the-Job - When member/consumer has obtained a job and all involved have determined that the member/consumer is stable the job coaching supports are deemed 'long term'. This is the point of transition to long term supports from MCO.	MCO
Education Settings - Transportation.	May have grant funding available, must verify with DVR counselor

Transportation needs should be addressed during the assessment phase. DVR, along with the member/consumer, member/consumer's legal decision maker or family members (as appropriate), MCO staff, residential staff, and SE provider will determine if member/consumer can take or learn to take public transportation independently, and/or determine if and the type of assisted (funded) transportation which is necessary.

DVR will review the transportation needs of the member/consumer, considering the most cost effective mode. DVR will only fund transportation that has been pre-approved, is related to the employment outcome in the IPE or as determined appropriate during the assessment phase.

The MCO will support the most effective and cost effective options to support the member/consumer's long term care outcomes. The MCO will only fund transportation that has been pre-approved and is include in the member's care plan (MCP)