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To: State Rehabilitation Council (SRVC), Client Assistance Program (CAP), Community Rehabilitation Providers (CRP), other Stakeholders, and Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Staff (OVR).

From: Cora McNabb, Executive Director

RE: Implementation of Order of Selection (OOS)

Date: May 13, 2025

Utilization of the Order of Selection (OOS) is defined within the Rehabilitation Act, Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and is implemented when a vocational rehabilitation agency is unable to serve all eligible individuals due to staffing and/or funding limitations.

In February and April of 2025, the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) held public hearings to inform stakeholders of the need to implement OOS and make changes to the current priority category definitions. At these hearings, the public provided input and comments on the updated proposed policy changes affecting OVR services. For more comprehensive information regarding OOS and the public hearing comments, visit the OVR website at kcc.ky.gov/Vocational-Rehabilitation.

Effective Wednesday, May 14, 2025, OVR will implement OOS and temporarily close all four priority categories. Individuals currently receiving services through a plan and those in Pre-Employment Transition Services, are ***not*** impacted by this change. While new plans for employment will not be implemented during this temporary closure, all prospective consumers are urged to apply to have eligibility and priority category assignment determined. If eligible, the new consumer will be placed on a waitlist in their assigned priority category by date of eligibility and will secure a place in line for future service delivery. We will work to resume waitlist services as quickly as possible, with the goal of within three months, and to reopen service categories by or before the end of the year.

All comments and questions about OVR and OOS should be directed to OVRpublicComment@KY.gov. Consumers with questions about how OOS may impact their case, should contact their vocational rehabilitation counselor at their local OVR district office.