



NEW MEXICO
DIVISION OF
VOCATIONAL
REHABILITATION

Public Education Department

Program Development and Support (PDS)

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BENEFITS INFORMATION CENTER (Work Incentive Planning and Assistance & Focusing On Abilities)

Advising, planning and assisting people on Social Security Disability Benefits who are interested in returning to work. Provide outreach assistance and information about NM Medicaid Buy-In program, the Working Disabled Individuals (WDI) Medicaid program. **1-800-318-1469**

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CULTIVANDO HABILIDADES / CULTIVATING ABILITIES (CHCA)

Assists disabled agricultural workers in accessing Division of Vocational Rehabilitation services.

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MEDICAID ADJUDICATION/ SOCIAL SECURITY REIMBURSEMENT

Provides disability determination for people who request medical assistance in NM (Medicaid). Provides administrative services for the agency to participate within the Social Security Ticket to Work program.

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NEW MEXICO TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NMTAP)

Provides assistive technology information, devices, and services to New Mexicans of all ages. 1-800-866-2253 www.nmtap.com

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TELE-WORK / NM SEED LOANS

Low interest loan program for individuals with disabilities for purchase of equipment to help them with a home-based business or self-employment.

(Services provided primarily outside the agency) 1-800-866-2253 www.nmseedloans.org

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Larry Maestas	San Juan Center for Independence	505-366-8192	1-800-891-8295	NMTAP Loan Program and Tele-Work-SeedLoan Program