# VRIS UPDATE

## Eligibility Guidelines for Alcohol or Drug Abuse Diagnosis Effective April 15, 2011 Number 310

#### **SUMMARY OF UPDATES**

Specific guidelines for eligibility of individuals with a diagnosis of alcohol or drug abuse have been added to the Eligibility chapter on VRIS.

Also, information has been added to the Eligibility chapter that makes it possible to find a person who receives SSDI and/or SSI ineligible for services. This would be based on a decision that the individual would be unable to reach an employment outcome with the provision of services. The decision must be made based on clear and convincing evidence as described in the chapter.

#### **VRIS POSTING**

The <u>eligibility chapter</u> on VRIS has been revised. It is found in the Employment Program section of the Program Manual.

### **TEAM COMMUNICATION**

Office Directors should go over these changes in detail with all members of the team. These are important policy revisions and those pertaining to SSDI/SSI recipients are a change from previous policy.

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