Informed consent



Purpose and scope

Consent to grant vocational rehabilitation consultants and specialists from the VIRK Vocational Rehabilitation Fund access to information and the processing and dissemination thereof for the purpose of vocational rehabilitation based on Act No. 60/2012.

Information gathering

In order for consultants and specialists from VIRK to be able to provide the necessary support to an individual, they need to gather relevant information about them and the reasons for their reduced work capacity. The data/information in question may include:

- a. Questionnaires completed by the individual and other information obtained from the individual.
- b. Various data prepared in collaboration with consultants and specialists from VIRK. Examples of such data are vocational rehabilitation plans, data from assessment processes, information on diligence and assessment.
- c. Information/data from doctors and other healthcare professionals, rehabilitation providers and other specialists, such as certificates, reports, results of assessments and examinations.
- d. Information/data from healthcare and rehabilitation institutions, educational institutions and training providers, the National Social Insurance Administration, the Directorate of Labor, pension funds, social services or others involved in vocational rehabilitation services, as well as data from a sickness benefits fund related to the vocational rehabilitation process.

Specialists that VIRK can consult for vocational rehabilitation include, for example, doctors, psychologists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, educational and career counsellors or social workers. In addition, various specialists who work for specialized educational and career rehabilitation providers.

Who has access

Counsellors and specialists involved in an individual's case have access to the necessary information about them. Doctors, treating specialists, the National Social Insurance Administration, the Directorate of Labor, Social Services, pension funds, as well as those professionals involved in providing services to an individual, can receive information about the individual's vocational rehabilitation plan and vocational rehabilitation process, the period of service, diligence and results, as well as the results of the assessment process.

Substance abuse

If there is a reasonable suspicion of the use of addictive drugs or narcotics that may hinder the success of rehabilitation, VIRK may request that a general practitioner confirm that the individual's medication prescriptions are normal and/or that drug tests do not support suspicion of abuse.

Storage of information

Information will be stored and preserved securely on VIRK's information system in accordance with VIRK's data protection policy.

Confirmation and validity period

By signing, I confirm that I have read the content of this informed consent and understand what it entails and grant VIRK my consent to access, collect and disseminate the information described here and with the restrictions mentioned here. The consent is valid for six months after VIRK's services cease, so that it can be followed up by providing information to parties within other service systems (such as the health care system and social services) as necessary.

This consent may be revoked in writing in whole or in part at any time, but such revocation does not affect the lawfulness of the processing prior to the revocation.

Full Name and Icelandic Personal Identification Number
Place and Date