

3325.0205 ACCESSING INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM REHABILITATION SERVICES.

Subpart 1. **Referral.** Referral may be from another agency or person or a self-referral and may be oral or written. The referral must provide the person's name and a method of contact.

Subp. 2. **Initial interview.** Each person referred to SSB for independent living rehabilitation services shall be personally interviewed within 30 days unless exceptional and unforeseen circumstances beyond SSB's control make it impossible to do so or unless otherwise agreed upon by the individual and the SSB direct service staff. Each person referred may identify a designated representative. As part of the interview, the SSB direct service staff must:

- A. explain the independent living services available;
- B. request the information needed to determine eligibility under part 3325.0220;
- C. explain and determine interest in workforce development and communication center services offered by SSB; and
- D. inform the individual of the:
 - (1) protection, use, and release of the individual's personal information in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations, title 34, section 364.56, and Minnesota Statutes, section 13.791;
 - (2) right of appeal under part 3325.0478;
 - (3) services available from and information on how to contact the client assistance program; and
 - (4) identity of and means to contact organized support and advocacy groups of the blind and deafblind in Minnesota.

Subp. 3. [Repealed, 39 SR 513]

Subp. 4. [Repealed, 39 SR 513]

Subp. 5. **Residency.** No individual who is present in the state of Minnesota may be denied independent living rehabilitation services on the basis of residency.

Subp. 6. **Access to contents of record of services.** Access to the contents of an individual's record of services or to any other information maintained by SSB which pertains to the individual must be administered by SSB in accordance with the Minnesota Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13, and all other applicable laws and regulations.

Subp. 7. **Written communication.** All written communication with a referral or eligible individual must be supplemented as necessary by other appropriate modes of communication consistent with the informed choice of the individual.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 248.07*

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