

(2) Acting through the Committee, the medical adviser to the Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES may advise the State Workers' Compensation Commission on the effectiveness of the treatment given to any injured worker who has been referred by the rehabilitation program.

(b) The State Workers' Compensation Commission:

(1) Shall establish a rehabilitation program;

(2) May employ the necessary rehabilitation counselors and clerical staff to review all reports and claims;

(3) Shall select from the reports and claims filed with it those for which [vocational] rehabilitation SERVICES [appears] APPEAR to be appropriate;

(4) After proper investigation and within 60 days after the injury occurred or as soon as possible after that, shall refer all appropriate cases to the Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES;

(5) On request of the Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES, shall make available to the Division a complete medical evaluation, including a prognosis of work potential of any worker whose case it refers to the Division; and

(6) Shall pay the salaries of the employees of the workers' compensation rehabilitation program and all necessary expenses incurred:

(i) In investigating and reviewing all reports and claims; and

(ii) For supplies, furniture, and office space.

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Any report, record, memorandum, action, or finding of the Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES may not be referred to in any way or be received as evidence in any civil proceeding before any agency or court, except under the rules and regulations adopted by the State Board of Education, under this subtitle.

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(b) (1) There is a Rehabilitation and Employment Advisory Commission within the Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES of the Department.

(2) The Commission consists of:

(i) 1 member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate, and 1 member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(ii) The State Superintendent of Schools or the Superintendent's designee;

(iii) The Assistant State Superintendent for the Division of [Vocational] Rehabilitation SERVICES;