

VRIS UPDATE

Small Business/Self Employment Ventures Effective 10/17/08 Number 195

SUMMARY OF UPDATES

The Small Business/Self Employment Ventures program manual chapter has been revised. This revision is the result of staff feedback concerning the requirement to hold a self-employment case open for one full tax year. This requirement has caused problems for staff leading to this revision.

Staff are no longer required to hold cases open for one full tax year. Instead, an income target will be set during the feasibility assessment and will be reported by the Abilities Fund in the feasibility written report. Abilities Fund staff will obtain monthly financials and report to VR staff when the individual has reached the income target and staff may consider a successful outcome at that time. If the individual is not able to reach the income target, Abilities Fund staff will report to VR staff when the individual has stabilized their income for a minimum of three months and a successful outcome may be considered at that time.

This takes effect immediately. On current cases who have completed 'feasibility' Chris Hess from the Abilities Fund will work with the individual to set an income goal and report when they have reached that goal. For cases who have not yet completed 'feasibility' Chris will include the income goal in the feasibility report.

All revisions are indicated by a bar at the right side of the page.

VRIS POSTING

The revised chapter has been posted to VRIS in the program manual under the Community Services section.

TEAM COMMUNICATION

Discuss this revision in a team meeting and insure all team members are informed.

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