

**Rehabilitation Counseling:  
A Critical Support for  
Individuals with Disabilities**

If you, or someone you love, has a disability and is having difficulty setting and achieving their goals, including getting back to work, then it's time to partner with an experienced professional who can truly make a difference - a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, or CRC.



## WHAT IS REHABILITATION COUNSELING?

Rehabilitation Counseling is an internationally-recognized profession dedicated to assisting individuals with disabilities to reach their personal, career, and independent living goals. Through a comprehensive counseling process, individuals with disabilities are empowered to set and achieve goals, be independent, and make their own decisions. Rehabilitation Counselors work in a wide variety of practice settings including government agencies, insurance companies, private practice, rehabilitation facilities, hospitals, universities and schools, and other organizations that serve individuals with congenital or acquired disabilities.

### WHY WORK WITH A REHABILITATION COUNSELOR?

Sometimes people with disabilities need the help, the guidance, and the knowledge to know how to successfully set and achieve their goals. Rehabilitation Counselors are the only professional counselors educated and trained at the graduate level specifically to serve individuals with disabilities. This includes an extensive knowledge of all aspects of disability as well as an in-depth understanding of critical considerations such as assistive technology and employment law. Unlike other counseling professions, Rehabilitation Counselors are uniquely qualified to help individuals with disabilities acclimate into the workplace, and to help employers make a workplace more receptive to individuals with disabilities.

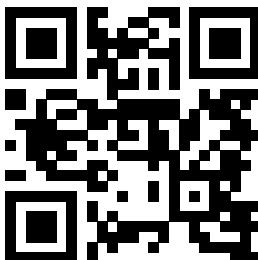
### THE CRC DIFFERENCE

For over 40 years, the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) has set the national standard for delivery of quality rehabilitation counseling services through its nationally accredited and internationally recognized Certified Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC) certification program. Rehabilitation Counselors who earn the designation of CRC must meet stringent eligibility requirements including advanced education and work experience specific to serving individuals with disabilities, and they must pass the CRC Examination. Once certified, CRCs must adhere to a rigid Code of Professional Ethics for Rehabilitation Counselors and demonstrate an ongoing commitment to lifelong learning by renewing their certification every 5 years through continuing education or re-examination. This ensures all CRCs continue to expand their skills and stay current on leading edge changes within the field such as medical advancements, assistive technology applications, changes in employment law, and workplace and communications advancements.

That's the CRC difference.

### THE ART OF REHABILITATION COUNSELING

We invite you to watch *The Art of Rehabilitation Counseling* video at [www.crccertification.com/video](http://www.crccertification.com/video). Or simply scan this code with your SmartPhone.



**Rehabilitation Counselors provide expertise across a full range of disabling conditions.**

- **Cognitive** (i.e. TBI, stroke, ADHD, autism spectrum, learning disorders)
- **Intellectual** (i.e. Down Syndrome, Fragile X Syndrome)
- **Mental Health** (i.e. substance abuse, depression, anxiety, mood disorders, PTSD)
- **Physical** (i.e. mobility impairment, amputation, repetitive stress injury)
- **Sensory** (i.e. visual impairment, deaf, blind, hard-of-hearing)
- **Other Health Conditions** (i.e. cardiac, pulmonary, cancer, diabetes, auto-immune disease, chronic pain)

To locate a CRC in your area visit  
[www.crccertification.com/locateacrc](http://www.crccertification.com/locateacrc)

CRCC is the world's largest rehabilitation counseling organization with over 17,000 active CRCs - over 35,000 rehabilitation counselors certified in total since its incorporation in 1974. CRCC's internationally recognized CRC Certification Program is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA). The Program ensures that Certified Rehabilitation Counselors (CRCs) have the appropriate education and professional experience, meet nationally-accepted competency levels, and maintain ethical and current practices.



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