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(1) Has the capacity to evaluate the eligibility of applicants for services and to develop written plans for services for individual clients;

(2) Has demonstrated knowledge of a wide range of potential service providers that can meet the needs of eligible clients;

(3) Has described a workable process for enabling eligible clients to choose from among a wide range of service providers;

(4) Has described satisfactory systems to account for the appropriate expenditure of funds; and

(5) Has described satisfactory systems to ensure the provision of quality services.

(d) *Evaluation plan.* (10 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the quality of the evaluation plan for the project, including the extent to which the applicant's methods of evaluation—

(1) Are appropriate to the project;

(2) Will determine how successful the project is in meeting its intended outcomes; and

(3) Are objective and produce data that are quantifiable, including data that are required under § 377.30.

(e) *National significance.* (15 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the extent to which—

(1) Project findings might be effectively used within the State vocational rehabilitation service system; and

(2) Project activities might be successfully replicated by other entities.

(f) *Budget and cost effectiveness.* (10 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the extent to which—

(1) The budget for the project is adequate to support the project activities;

(2) Costs are reasonable in relation to the objectives of the project.

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(Authority: Sec. 802(g)(3) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; 29 U.S.C. 797a(g)(3))

§ 377.22 What additional factors does the Secretary consider in making grants?

In addition to the criteria in § 377.21, the Secretary considers the following factors in making grants under this program:

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(a) The diversity of strategies to increase client choice, in order to ensure that a variety of approaches are demonstrated by funded projects.

(b) The diversity of clients to be served, in order to ensure that a variety of disability populations are served by funded projects.

(c) The geographical distribution of funded projects.

(Authority: Sec. 802(g)(4) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; 29 U.S.C. 797a(g)(4))

Subpart D—What Post-Award Conditions Must Be Met by a Grantee?

§ 377.30 What information must a grantee maintain and provide to the Secretary?

(a) Each grantee shall maintain the records that the Secretary requires to conduct an evaluation of projects funded under this program, which at a minimum must include information regarding the—

(1) Types of services provided;

(2) Costs of services provided;

(3) Number of clients served by disability, race, gender, and age;

(4) Number of clients with a severe disability served;

(5) Client outcomes obtained;

(6) Implementation issues addressed; and

(7) Any other information the Secretary requires.

(b) Each grantee shall comply with any request from the Secretary for those records.

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(Authority: Secs. 802(g)(5) and 802(g)(7) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; 29 U.S.C. 797a(g)(5) and (7))

§ 377.31 What information must a grantee provide to eligible clients?

Each grantee shall advise all clients and applicants for services under this program, or their parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives, of the availability and purposes of the Client Assistance Program under section 112 of the Act,

including information on means of seeking assistance under that program.

(Authority: Sec. 20 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; 29 U.S.C 718a)

§ 377.32 What are the matching requirements?

Grants may be made for paying all or part of the costs of projects under this program. If part of the costs is to be covered by the grantee, the amount of grantee contribution is specified in the application notice and will not be required to be more than 10 percent of the total cost of the project.

(Authority: Sec. 802(g)(1) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; 29 U.S.C. 797a(g)(1))

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Subpart A—General

§ 379.1 What is the Projects With Industry (PWI) program?

The purpose of this program is to

- (a) Create and expand job and career opportunities for individuals with disabilities in the competitive labor market by engaging the talent and leadership of private industry as partners in the rehabilitation process;
- (b) Identify competitive job and career opportunities and the skills needed to perform these jobs;
- (c) Create practical settings for job readiness and job training programs; and
- (d) Provide job placements and career advancement.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 795(a)(1))