I. Policy Statement

This policy outlines the structural base of the VR program. The Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program is structured under and required to function in accordance with Federal regulations, Arizona Revised Statute, Arizona Administrative Code, and State of Arizona Unified State Plan.

The purpose of the VR program is to assess, plan, develop, and provide vocational rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities, consistent with their unique strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests, and informed choice so that they may prepare for and engage in competitive integrated employment and achieve economic self-sufficiency.

II. Authority

Authority for policies contained in this document includes the following:

- State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program 34 CFR Part 361 et seq.
- State Supported Employment Services Program 34 CFR Part 363 et seq.
- Limitations on Use of Subminimum Wage 34 CFR Part 397 et seq.
- A.R.S. §§ 23-502 and 503
- Arizona Administrative Code, Title 6, Chapter 4, Articles 1,2 and 4.

III. Applicability

Authority is granted by the federal government for the following oversight structures for the Vocational Rehabilitation program in Arizona.

1. Designated State Agency (DSA) is the Division of Employment and Rehabilitative Services (DERS).
2. Designated State Unit (DSU) is the Arizona Rehabilitation Services Administration (VR)
IV. Standards
VR must comply with the applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

V. Procedure
Refer to Section IV above.

VI. Documentation Requirements
Refer to individual sections of this policy manual for the documentation requirements.