

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES
JOB OPPORTUNITY
EDUCATION CONSULTANT FOR THE BLIND (MOBILITY INSTRUCTOR)
REPOSTED – CANDIDATES WHO HAVE APPLIED NEED NOT REAPPLY**

Open To: The Public

Location: 184 Windsor Avenue
Windsor, CT 06095

Job Posting No: 83378/83379
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Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:15 PM (35 hour week, P3B)

Salary: \$56481 - \$63462 ***starting salary depending on education level

Posting Date: August 22, 2014 to September 5, 2014

The Department of Rehabilitation Services, Bureau of Education and Services for the Blind, is recruiting for two (2) Education Consultants for the Blind (Mobility Instructor). Within the Children's Services Program at the Department of Rehabilitation Services, Bureau of Education and Services for the Blind, the selected candidate would be responsible for providing direct instruction in safe travel techniques to children who are blind; consultation services to school district staff, parents, professionals and paraprofessionals who interact with children on assigned caseload.

Examples of Duties:

Plans and administers a program of independent travel instruction for blind children and youth to whom the program may be applicable; assesses skill levels of clients to determine instructional needs; supervises and instructs in all techniques of independent travel such as the use of cane and other guide devices; arranges the program to suit individual needs; instructs in safety measures for the protection of individuals; aids the blind in orienting themselves to the community and in areas where they would have occasion to travel; makes recommendations for modifications to the environment for safety; participates in planning and placement team meetings; conducts mobility training at expanded core curriculum group activities; may speak before lay and professional groups; keeps records and submits reports on individuals and the program in general; does related work as required. Extensive travel throughout the state is required.

Qualifications Required:

Knowledge of the principles and methods of education of the blind and visually disabled with emphasis on mobility instruction; some knowledge of eye diseases and of the psychological effects of

blindness; oral and written communication skills; interpersonal skills; ability to deal effectively with others.

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General Experience: Six (6) years of experience in teaching blind or visually disabled children or adults.

Special Experience: One (1) year of the General Experience must have been in mobility instruction.

Substitutions Allowed:

1. College training with special courses in the education of the blind may be substituted for the General Experience on the basis of fifteen (15) semester hours equaling one-half (1/2) year to a maximum of four (4) years for a Bachelor's degree.
2. A Master's Degree in the field of mobility training may be substituted for the General and Special Experience.

Special Requirement:

1. Possession of a certificate in Orientation and Mobility from a recognized national, state or professional organization.
2. Incumbents in this class are required to travel.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: To be considered candidates need to submit a completed and signed State of Connecticut Application (Form CT-HR-12) along with three (3) professional references, at least one should be supervisory. State employees should submit a copy of their two most recent service ratings. The CT-HR-12 Application form may be downloaded from the State of Connecticut's Department of Administrative Services Human Resources Services website at: http://www.das.state.ct.us/HR/Forms/CT-HR-12_Application.pdf.

Incomplete, blank or late applications will not be considered. Also, no fax or hand-delivered copies will be accepted. Please send your completed State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (CT-HR-12) to:

DORS.Recruitment@ct.gov

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Department of Rehabilitation Services

55 Farmington Avenue, 12th Floor

Hartford, CT. 06105

ATTN: Sabrina Betts - Human Resources

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AND POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE September 5, 2014.

Note: The filling of this position will be in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion and merit employment rules, if applicable.

The State of Connecticut is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and strongly encourages the applications of women, minorities, and persons with disabilities.