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ABSTRACT

The report reviews trends of the literature produced mainly between 1970 and 1982 on the vocational rehabilitation of mentally retarded persons. Trends are analyzed in terms of services (vocational assessment and training) and programs (school work-study programs and the state-federal rehabilitation agency). Additional areas of consideration are briefly addressed: career education, vocational counseling, employer attitudes, social competence, the role of the general caseload counselor, and outcome prediction. Among observations is an emphasis on the vocational needs of severely retarded persons since the passage of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and a reminder that the needs of mildly retarded persons must be addressed as well. The annotated reference list is organized alphabetically by author and includes information on title, source, date, and publisher as well as a brief summary. (CL)

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REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW

PROJECT SUMMARY

"...Synthetic research involves reviewing the research literature available in some defined area of interest and summarizing and integrating the results into tentative conclusions regarding the current state of knowledge..."

(Bolton, 1974, p.10)

The REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW project originates from the National Rehabilitation Information Center's (NARIC) 1983, National Institute of Handicapped Research (NIHR) contract. To assure quality research and the maximum participation of professionals in the field of rehabilitation, NARIC invited the National Council on Rehabilitation Education (NCRE) to serve as the project's co-sponsor.

REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEWS were initiated to create state-of-the-art reviews on a variety of rehabilitation topics.

Each of the REVIEWS consists of two parts:

- o an integrated, analytical literature synopsis, including the author's observations, conclusions, and recommendations for future research; and
- o an annotated reference list, including annotated bibliographic entries.

Each REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW represents the individual author's opinions and not necessarily those of NARIC, NCRE or NIHR.

Bolton, B. Introduction to Rehabilitation Research. Springfield, IL:
Charles C. Thomas, 1974.

However, this type of synoptic research provides professionals with an opportunity to reflect upon the strengths and weaknesses of the research available in each subject area, and thus, offers valuable feedback to NIHR as well as to the larger rehabilitation community.

This project also stands as a model of cooperative efforts. The co-sponsorship between NARIC and NCRE strengthened the substantive value of each of the final documents. The printing contribution by The Xerox Corporation greatly increased the dissemination possibilities for the entire project. Xerox's donation of services to REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEWS demonstrates the Corporation's continuing dedication to active involvement in public sector projects.

These collaborative efforts are important because of the intrinsic value of the project. Each REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW takes a new step in the utilization of available research. The sheer volume of research studies conducted as well as the variety of publication sources can make the use of this information a complex and time consuming process. By closing the gap between the producers and consumers of knowledge and technology, it is hoped that REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEWS will help to avoid duplication of research efforts and will significantly add to the possibility for innovative applications of research information.

THE NATIONAL REHABILITATION INFORMATION CENTER

The National Rehabilitation Information Center, NARIC, is a rehabilitation research library located at The Catholic University of America (CUA) and funded by The National Institute of Handicapped Research, (NIHR), of the U.S. Department of Education. Established in 1977, NARIC's goals are to:

- o Facilitate dissemination of rehabilitation information;
- o Promote utilization of rehabilitation research;
- o Serve as an archive for NIHR and Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) documents; and
- o Make information on assistive devices available to professionals serving disabled persons, researchers, and disabled consumers.

In sponsoring the REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW, NARIC's responsibilities included identifying and selecting authors; developing author guidelines; providing each author with topical bibliographic searches of REHARDATA and other relevant databases, as well as supplying a variety of supplemental resources. NARIC staff wrote citations and annotations and supplemental materials for each document in addition to serving as editor and publisher.

NARIC will house and distribute the REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW documents.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON REHABILITATION EDUCATION

The National Council on Rehabilitation Education (NCRE), is a professional organization composed of over 500 educators, trainers, and staff development specialists which represents over 180 academic training programs and research projects related to the field of rehabilitation education. NCRE is dedicated to quality services for persons with disabilities, ensured by high standards of pre-professional education, continuing education for practicing rehabilitationists, and ethical standards. The organization also lobbies on behalf of enabling legislation and supports mechanisms needed to maintain quality services such as accreditation, certification, professional literature, and the like.

Participation in the REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW Project provided NCRE members an opportunity to further their organizational goal of "utilization and application of rehabilitation research." NCRE authors and members of the Advisory Committee volunteered their time and expertise to the project.

Dr. Kenneth W. Reagles, NCRE Advisory Committee Chair, assisted the NARIC REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW Project Director with selection of topics and authors, as well as consulting with authors regarding substantive research issues. The NCRE Advisory Committee provided a peer review of the final documents.

THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HANDICAPPED RESEARCH

The National Institute of Handicapped Research (NIHR), a part of the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services of the U.S. Department of Education, provides leadership and support for a national and international program of comprehensive and coordinated research regarding the rehabilitation of disabled persons. The Institute's mission also encompasses the dissemination of information concerning developments in rehabilitation procedures, methods and devices to improve the lives of persons of all ages with physical and mental disabilities, especially those who are severely disabled.

The Institute carries out its mission through a variety of programs including:

- o The Research and Demonstration Project
- o The Research and Training Centers
- o The Rehabilitation Engineering Centers

The REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW project is a component part of the Institute's goal of transforming research knowledge into comprehensive documents for dissemination and utilization. Thus, NIHR funded NARIC to develop and implement the REVIEW project. NIHR staff specialists provided a review of the documents prior to publication. Additionally, in the continuing effort for coordination and cooperation among federal agencies, staff specialists from the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) also participated in reviewing the documents.

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this REHABILITATION RESEARCH REVIEW is to provide an analytical synopsis and annotated reference list of the professional and research literature regarding vocational rehabilitation of persons with mental retardation. By providing an extensive review of the contemporary literature in this topic area, it is hoped this REVIEW will "serve an important role in the integration of studies and translation of results into implications..." (Bolton, 1974, pg. 12). This REVIEW provides an introduction to a profile of the contemporary literature on the subject which is followed by a research review. The annotated reference list serves as an additional resource guide.

LITERATURE PROFILE

Presented in this section is a synopsis of 13 years of literature on the vocational rehabilitation of mentally retarded people. The types of manuscripts included in the profile are books/monographs, dissertations, and research based journal articles. For the reader who is interested in the literature prior to the 1970's, an annotated bibliography (DeBusk & Luchsinger, n.d.) covering 907 references, is suggested.

Books/Monographs

Manuscripts of this type were essentially nonexistent prior to the 1970's. Within the past 13 years, however, the library shelves have been filled with a number of books (see Table 1) and monographs (e.g., Bellamy, 1976; Bellamy, Horner, & Inman, 1977; Cohen, 1972; Horner & Bellamy, 1980; Karan, 1978; Karan, Wehman, Renzaglia, & Schutz, 1976; and Prehm, 1970).

Dissertations

Doctoral dissertations, which are available in either microfiche or reproduced from University Microfilms International, Ann Arbor, Michigan, represent another important type of manuscript. From 1970 through 1982, 125 dissertations representing 68 different colleges/universities were completed. Table 2 shows that their annual output has been relatively even over the past 13 years.

Table 1

Books Published on the Vocational Rehabilitation of
Persons with Mental Retardation (1970-1983)

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- Bellamy, G. T., Horner, R., & Inman, D. Vocational habilitation of severely retarded adults. Baltimore: University Park Press, 1979.
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- Browning, P. (Ed.). Mental retardation: Rehabilitation and counseling. Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas, 1974.
- Cobb, H. V. The forecast of fulfillment: A review of research on predictive assessment of the adult retarded for social and vocational adjustment. New York: Teachers College Press, Columbia University, 1972.
- Daniels, L. K. (Ed.). Vocational rehabilitation of the mentally retarded: A book of readings. Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas, 1972.
- Gardner, W. I. Behavior modification and mental retardation: A behavior modification approach to the education and rehabilitation of the mentally retarded. Chicago, IL: Aldine Publishers, 1971.
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- Rusch, F., & Mithang, D. Vocational training for mentally retarded adults. Champaign, IL: Research Press, 1980.
- Wehman, P. Competitive employment: New horizons for severely disabled individuals. Baltimore: Paul H. Brookes Publishing Co., 1981.
- Wehman, P., & McLaughlin, P. Vocational curriculum for developmentally disabled persons. Baltimore: University Park Press, 1980.
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Table 2
Dissertations Between 1970 and 1982

Dissertations Completed	Year													Total
	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	
N	10	7	5	11	6	12	12	8	13	11	14	11	5	125
%	8	6	4	9	5	10	10	6	10	9	11	9	4	101

Journal Articles

Since 1970, 195 research based manuscripts have been published in 26 different United States periodicals (see Table 3). Over half of these articles have appeared in three journals, i.e., American Journal of Mental Deficiency (N = 41); Mental Retardation (N = 37); and Education and Training of the Mentally Retarded (N = 33). Furthermore, 82% of them have been published since 1975. These 160 articles comprise this paper's companion, the Annotated Reference List. It is important to note that this annotated review does not include the many non-data based articles on the subject.

Table 3
Research Based Articles in United States Journals (1970-June, 1983)

Periodicals	Year														Total
	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	
American Journal of Mental Deficiency	1	2	5	2	1	2	4	3	6	1	4	7	3	0	41
Applied Research in Mental Retardation											0	2	2	0	4
Career Development for Exceptional Individuals									1	2	1	0	1	1	6
Education and Training of the Mentally Retarded	1	0	1	2	1	3	2	1	2	7	8	1	2	2	33
Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	8
Journal of the Association for the Severely Handicapped							2	2	3	3	2	1	4	1	18
Mental Retardation	5	2	0	6	1	4	1	5	3	3	2	3	2	0	37
Rehabilitation Counseling Bulletin	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	3	1	1	9
Rehabilitation Literature	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	5
Vocational Evaluation and Work Adjustment Bulletin	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	11
Other*	0	1	1	2	0	1	2	2	1	5	5	2	1	0	23
Total	7	6	8	14	6	12	13	15	19	26	28	19	17	5	195

*American Journal of Occupational Therapy, American Rehabilitation, Career Education Quarterly, Community Mental Health Journal, Educational and Psychological Measurement, Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling, Journal of Employment Counseling, Journal of Special Educators, Journal of Special Education Technology, Journal for Vocational Special Needs Education, Measurement and Evaluation in Guidance, Perceptual and Motor Skills, Psychological Reports, Training School Bulletin, Vocational Guidance Quarterly, and Welfare in Review.

RESEARCH REVIEW

A number of efforts exist integrating and analyzing much of the research literature (Table 4), thus the intent of this section is to highlight the current status of important research areas, e.g., services and programs. The references are an "initial guide" for further inquiry into the respective areas and should be considered as a sample of the germane literature.

Services

The two service areas in which considerable contemporary research exist are: vocational assessment and training. More extensive reviews on these services are available elsewhere (e.g., Browning & Irvin, 1981; Peck, Apollini, & Cooke, 1981). Placement is not included since many of the data based efforts in this area have been of a program evaluation versus research nature.

Vocational Assessment During the 1970's tests for assessing the vocational behavior of mentally retarded persons were developed. A practical guide provides identification and description for 23 of the best and most appropriate instruments for use with this population. This resource (Halpern, Lehmann, Irvin, & Heiry, 1982) includes an evaluation of the instruments according to their content focus, psychometric properties, and application in terms of client assessment, program planning, monitoring, and evaluation.

Table 4

Select Research Reviews

1960's

Goldstein, H. Social and occupational adjustment. In H. A. Stevens, & R. Heber (Eds.). Mental Retardation: A Review of Research. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1964, 214-258.

Wolfensberger, W. Vocational preparation and occupation. In H. A. Baumeister (Ed.). Mental Retardation: Appraisal, Education, and Rehabilitation. Chicago: Aldine Publishing Company, 1967, 232-273.

1970's

Bellamy, G. T., Inman, D., & Schwarz, R. Vocational training and production supervision: A review of habilitation techniques for the severely and profoundly retarded. In N. Haring & D. Bricker (Eds.). Teaching the Severely and Profoundly Handicapped (Vol. III). Columbus, OH: Special Press, 1978, 201-222.

Gold, M. W. Research on the vocational rehabilitation of the retarded: The present, the future. In N. R. Ellis (Ed.). International Review of Research in Mental Retardation (Vol. 6). New York: Academic Press, 1973.

Halpern, A. S., Browning, P. L., & Brummer, E. R. Vocational adjustment of the mentally retarded. In M. J. Begab & S. A. Richardson (Eds.). The Mentally Retarded and Society: A Social Science Perspective. Baltimore: University Park Press, 1975, 365-376.

1980's

Browning, P., & Irvin, L. K. The vocational evaluation, training and placement of mentally retarded persons: A research review. Rehabilitation Counseling Bulletin, 1981, 25, 374-408.

Peck, M. A., Apolloni, T., & Cooke, T. P. Rehabilitation services for Americans with mental retardation: A summary of accomplishments in research and program development. In E. L. Pan, T. E. Backer, & C. L. Vash (Eds.). Annual Review of Rehabilitation. New York: Springer Publishing Company, 1981, 1-33.

Rusch, F. R., & Schutz, R. P. Vocational and social work behavior: An evaluation review. In J. L. Matson, & J. R. McCartney (Eds.). Handbook of Behavior Modification with the Mentally Retarded. New York: Plenum Press, 1981, 247-280.

Another major contribution to emerge during this period pertains to what is now commonly referred to as the "contemporary" assessment model. Contemporary assessment refers to:

those practices which clearly link the purposes and outcomes of assessment with the goals and techniques of instruction and other forms of service intervention. Traditional assessment, on the other hand, is viewed as a practice whose primary intent, at least in the field of mental retardation, has been to level and classify people, often for the purpose of determining their eligibility to receive "benefits from a service program. (Halpern, Lehman, Irvin, & Heiry, 1982, p. 1)

Vocational assessment has historically focused only on the products of past learning in order to determine what a person can do, rather than to find out what is required in order to guarantee success. Contrasted with the traditional approach, which measures the products (e.g., aptitude, ability) of prior learning, the primary purpose of "contemporary" assessment is to acquire information that has direct implications for methods of training. Several resources which address this functional approach to assessment, its implications for mentally retarded persons in relation to vocational services, as well as other evaluation considerations include Browning and Irvin, 1981; Halpern, Irvin, & Lehmann, 1979; Karan, 1977; Menchetti, Rusch, & Owens, in press; and Schalock & Karan, 1979.

Vocational Training Largely through longitudinally based research programs, there now exists a body of sophisticated knowledge regarding

the application of behavioral technology in the vocational training of severely retarded persons. The cumulative results of the extensive programmatic research efforts in this area yield an overriding conclusion: With the proper utilization of behavioral technology, even moderately and severely retarded people can be vocationally trained to perform at levels which far exceed the expectations we held as recently as ten years ago.

Some of the leading contributors to this service area as well as examples of training related manuscripts prepared by them include the now deceased Dr. Marc Gold who was at the University of Illinois (e.g., Gold, 1973); Dr. Orv Karan at the University of Wisconsin (e.g., Karan, 1978); Dr. Thomas Bellamy, at the University of Oregon (e.g., Bellamy, Horner, & Inman, 1979); and Dr. Frank Rusch at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (e.g., Rusch & Mithang, 1980).

Programs

The two major vocational programs included in this section are school work-study programs and the state-federal rehabilitation agency. Rehabilitation facilities are not covered since much of the vocational training research referred to above has been conducted in workshop settings and thus are covered in that literature. For those specifically interested in workshop settings, the authors strongly recommend the national study (Greenleigh Associates, 1975) on sheltered workshops for severely disabled persons.

Work-Study programs Work-study programs for mentally retarded youth have had a history of more than 20 years. During this period, they have received strong support as being an important means through which to enhance the habilitation process and thus more effectively prepare mentally retarded students for their eventual entry into the world of work.

There has been some research attention since 1970 which has addressed the process and impact of these programs (e.g., Bensberg & Ashby, 1981; Brimer & Rouse, 1978; Bullis & Foss, 1983; Chaffin, Spellman, Regan, & Davison, 1971; Flanigan, Pfeifer, & Allen, 1974; Halpern, 1974; Margalit & Schuchman, 1978; Muth & Singell, 1975; Sigelman, Flexer, Spanhel, & DeSanctis, 1979; and Tobias, 1970). Even though there are mixed findings reported from these efforts, one can conclude from the cumulative results that the work-study programs have had, at the very least, a moderate impact.

State rehabilitation agency Much of the research conducted on mentally retarded persons served through this program has been directed toward client characteristics and patterns of services (e.g., Elo & Herdel, 1972; Flanigan, Pfeifer, & Allen, 1974; Melton, 1971; and Walls, Tseng, & Zarin, 1976). One of the more important and impressive statistics of this program is the number of mentally retarded clients successfully rehabilitated through it. Specifically, the number of retarded clients placed in "Status 26" rose from 175 in 1946 to 34,652 in 1979. These figures represent .05% of the total number of rehabilitated persons in 1946 and 12.1% of the total number of

rehabilitated persons in 1979. Finally, over 500,000 mentally retarded clients were placed on jobs through the state vocational rehabilitation agencies between the years 1945 and 1979. Of these, approximately 70% were rehabilitated during the decade of the 70's. This and other types of program impact indices with this client group have been addressed elsewhere (e.g., Browning & Brummer, 1974).

Other Areas of Consideration

Given the amount of research conducted on the vocational rehabilitation of retarded people, it is not surprising that at least some research attention has been directed to other areas, e.g., career education, vocational counseling, and employer attitudes. The three additionally important topics include work related social competence, the rehabilitation counselor or practitioner, and the prediction of successful vocational outcomes.

Social competence A long standing position among practitioners in the field is that poor social skills attribute to many work maladjustments of mentally retarded people. Furthermore, literature reviews (e.g., Nizioi & DeBlasseie, 1972) and studies (e.g., Foss & Bostwick, 1981) tend to confirm this conclusion.

Within the past several years this area has begun to attract some research attention (e.g., Bullis, 1983; Foss & Peterson, 1981; Greenspan & Shoultz, 1981; Greenspan, Shoultz, & Weir, 1981; Matson & Martin, 1979; Ostby, 1982; Rusch, 1979; and Vilhauer, 1983). Continued research toward the development of assessment instruments and related training

programs should be of vital importance in helping to effect the successful employment of mentally retarded workers.

The practitioner There exists extensive research on the role and function of the general caseload rehabilitation counselor. However, there has been a paucity of effort to study rehabilitation counselors who serve mentally retarded clients. Since 1970, only three studies have been conducted in this area, i.e., Carter, 1972; English, Oberle, & Byrne, 1979; and Parham, 1979. The paucity of studies appears especially surprising since individuals with mental retardation rank third in size of disability groups served by the agency. Research that will contribute to an increased understanding of the unique responsibilities and skills necessary to adequately serve mentally retarded populations may be all the more important considering the current shortage of practitioners to serve disabled people.

Outcome prediction Much of the earlier research was devoted to studies designed to determine a predictive formula for the successful personal, social, and vocational outcome of mentally retarded adolescents and adults. Unfortunately, the collective results of these efforts have proved to be of little practical value. The reader is referred to Butler and Browning (1974), Cobb (1972), and Gold (1973) for a critical review of such prognostic studies and their methodological problems.

OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A number of specific recommendations on the vocational rehabilitation of mentally retarded people are available through other state-of-the-art research reviews (Table 4). Rather than reiterating them, the authors have chosen to articulate a more generic issue here, which is the level of mental retardation for which much vocational research with this population has been directed.

The 1973 Rehabilitation Act specified severely disabled persons as a national priority for the vocational rehabilitation system. This focus has had definite implications for mentally retarded persons in that considerable attention has been given to the vocational needs of severely retarded populations.

This swing in the pendulum toward an emphasis on vocational considerations of severely retarded persons has been of such a magnitude that concerns have been raised regarding exclusion of mildly retarded persons from our national efforts. For example, the President-elect of the American Association on Mental Deficiency recently stated, "By all means, let us maintain interest and investment in severely and profoundly retarded individuals. At the same time, let us rediscover mild and moderate mental retardation and invest in those levels of renewed research interest..." (Haywood, 1979, p. 431).

While the vocational research efforts toward severely retarded persons relate to a much neglected segment of mentally retarded populations and thus are to be commended, we must not lose sight of the

fact that much has yet to be learned about mildly and moderately retarded persons. This disabled population represents by far the largest proportion of persons labelled mentally retarded. In essence, the need to return some of our research attention to these individuals has definite implications for the vocational rehabilitation service delivery program, since it is designed to focus primarily on them rather than severely retarded clients.

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of placement. Employing the theory of work adjustment perspective, study indicates predictors are work behavior and job skills, ability to meet job requirements, and employment reinforcements.

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