



**To:** Provider Associations  
Voluntary Provider Agency Executive Directors  
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OPWDD Required Regulations Mailing List

**From:** OPWDD Office of Counsel, Bureau of Policy & Regulatory Affairs

**Date:** August 31, 2018

**Re:** Final Regulations– Site-Based and Community-Based Prevocational Services

**Effective Date: Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

**Suggested distribution:**

Agency Administrators and Managers

**Purpose:**

OPWDD is amending existing regulations for prevocational services to establish guidelines for when an individual can be paid less than federal/state minimum wage, provide an exception to the group size available under community-based prevocational services, and require providers to conduct an annual assessment.

The final regulations are effective on September 19, 2018. There are no substantive changes to the final regulations in comparison with the previously published emergency regulation.

The text of the final regulations is posted on the OPWDD website at [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov). Look under “Regulations & Guidance.”

Thank you.