

**Topical Heading**

Disability and Rehabilitation Research

**Program Title**

# Disability and Rehabilitation Research and Related Projects

**Also Known as**

DRRP

**CFDA # (or ED #)**

84.133A

**Administering Office**

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

**Who May Apply (by category)**

Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), Nonprofit Organizations, Other Organizations and/or Agencies

**Who May Apply (specifically)**

States, public or private agencies—including for-profit agencies, Indian tribes, and tribal organizations—may apply.

**Current Competitions**

Multiple FY 2008 application deadlines expected: July 2008. See the OSERS National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) forecast of funding opportunities Web site at:

<http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/find/edlite-forecast.html#Chart7>, which is updated several times during the year.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**

Discretionary/Competitive Grants, Contracts, Cooperative Agreements

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2006 \$24,638,080

Fiscal Year 2007 \$23,440,037

Fiscal Year 2008 \$25,914,497

Note: This is one of several NIDRR grant programs. Congress provides an appropriation for NIDRR as a whole; see the entry for NIDRR (# 84.133), also under the topical heading "Disability and Rehabilitation Research." The amounts listed here are a portion of the total NIDRR appropriation.

**Fiscal Year 2008 Awards Information**

*Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.*

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 18

Average New Award: \$431,818

Range of New Awards: \$300,000–\$1,000,000

Number of Continuation Awards: 35

Average Continuation Award: \$412,895

Range of Continuation Awards: \$250,000–\$900,000

**Legislative Citation**

*Rehabilitation Act of 1973*, as amended, Title II; 29 U.S.C. 764

**Program Regulations**

*EDGAR*; 34 CFR 350

**Program Description**

The purpose of the program is to plan and conduct research, demonstration projects, training, and related activities to improve the lives of individuals with disabilities. These projects are quite varied, though all are aimed at fulfilling NIDRR's overarching goals of inclusion, integration, employment, and self-sufficiency for people with disabilities.

**Types of Projects**

Projects may support research relating to the development of methods, procedures, and devices to assist in the provision of rehabilitation services, particularly to persons with severe disabilities. Among the projects supported by this program are the Traumatic Brain Injury Model System (TBIMS), the Traumatic Burn Injury Model Systems, Outreach to Minority Institutions, research on spinal cord injury, and Knowledge Translation.

**Education Level (specifically)**

All Ages

**Subject Index**

Disabilities, Research

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**Links to Related Web Sites**

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/drrp/index.html>