

**281—56.13 (259) Case diagnosis.** The case diagnosis constitutes a comprehensive study of the job candidate, including medical as well as a vocational diagnosis of the individual. Each case diagnosis is based on pertinent information, including the individual's health and physical status, intelligence, educational background and achievements, vocational aptitudes and interests, employment experience and opportunities, and personal and social adjustments.

**56.13(1) Medical diagnosis.**

*a.* As a basis for determination of eligibility and formulation of the individual's rehabilitation plan, the division secures competent medical diagnosis. When necessary, the diagnosis is, if at all practicable, secured from recognized specialists in specific fields indicated by the general medical diagnosis. Whenever possible the diagnosis is accompanied by recommendations as to the means and methods of restoration and by a statement of any physical or mental limitations that may exist.

*b.* The division accepts a medical report in lieu of securing a new examination when the report can be relied upon to provide a sound basis for diagnosis of the physical or mental condition of the individual; is from providers or sources as listed in the case service manual; and is from an accredited or certified medical or treatment institution recognized by the state of Iowa or licensed by the department of public health or department of human services in any other state.

**56.13(2) Vocational diagnosis.** The methods of the vocational diagnosis include counseling interviews with the job candidate; reports as may be needed, including when necessary in the individual case, reports from schools, employers, social agencies, and others; and psychological information.

**56.13(3) Recording case data.** The division maintains a record for each case. The case record contains pertinent case information including, as a minimum, the basis for determination of eligibility, the basis justifying the plan of services and the reason for closing the case together with a justification of the closure. A case record may not be destroyed until four years after the case has been closed. A case record documenting participation in a transitional alliance program shall be maintained until the job candidate reaches age 25 or later.