

# Hiral Patel, MHS, CRC, CVE, CLCP

## EDUCATION

Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center,  
New Orleans, Louisiana (2013)  
Master of Health Science in Rehabilitation Counseling

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (2010)  
Bachelor of Science in Nutrition/Dietetics

## CERTIFICATION

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor #00117976, (2013–Present)  
Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification

Certified Vocational Evaluator #00117916, (2021–Present)  
Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification

Certified Life Care Planner #1664, (2022–Present)  
International Commission on Health Care Certification



## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH AND PLANNING CONSULTANTS, Austin, Texas

Vocational Consultant (November 2018–Present)

- Provides vocational services and analysis.
- Assesses pre-injury and post-injury employability through vocational analysis.
- Provides expert opinions on employability, earning capacity, and vocational rehabilitation potential.

Life Care Planner Consultant (June 2022–Present)

- Provides life care planning services and analysis.
- Prepares expert reports for personal injury and employment litigation.
- Provides independent recommendations and expert testimony.
- Provides research and technical support for health care litigation.

STOKES & ASSOCIATES, Metairie, Louisiana

Vocational Rehabilitation/Life Care Plan Case Manager (June 2017–October 2018)

- Conducted vocational rehabilitation and life care plan evaluations and provided case management and career counseling services.
- Reviewed records including medical, vocational, psychological, testing, and other information.
- Provided vocational testing services, and administered various achievement, intelligence, aptitude, interest, and other vocational tests and inventories.
- Provided assessment of rehabilitation potential, employability, and wage and earning capacity.

### **Research & Planning Consultants, L.P.**

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LOUISIANA REHABILITATION SERVICES, Harvey, Louisiana  
Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (April 2015–April 2017)

- Provided vocational guidance, counseling, and other needed services to assist persons with disabilities to achieve individualized rehabilitation goals to obtain and maintain competitive employment. Aided consumers in securing employment consistent with their goals.
- Assessed functional limitations and vocational potential of eligible rehabilitation consumers, interpreted psychological and specialized medical information, and utilized comprehensive vocational assessments.
- Conducted workshops and individual counseling sessions to assist consumers with improving interpersonal skills, understanding the labor market, and achieving gainful employment and/or self-sufficiency.

TEEM ACADEMY, New Orleans, Louisiana

Supported Employment/Direct Job Placement Program Developer (April 2013–April 2015)

- Provided vocational evaluation, job development, and job placement services, including career counseling, job seeking skills instruction, resume preparation, interview skills instruction, work hardening training, and on-the-job training.
- Provided job coaching services to consumers on job sites. Assisted with interpersonal issues at work, time management skills, and on-the-job training. Provided any other assistance consumers needed to maintain employment.

OCHNSER MEDICAL CENTER, New Orleans, Louisiana

Laboratory Client Services (May 2006–August 2012)

- Responsible for providing client services to all physicians, medical staff, and patients regarding laboratory services.

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

- International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP)
- International Association of Life Care Planners (IALCP)
- International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals - Texas Chapter
- Vocational Evaluation and Career Assessment Professionals (VECAP)