

Work Incentives Planning and Assistance Program

What is the WIPA program?

Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) is a Social Security funded program that provides benefits counseling to Social Security Disability beneficiaries who are interested in work.



Who is Eligible?

Social Security beneficiaries, age 14 to full retirement age, who receive any of the following:

- Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Childhood Disability Benefits (CDB)

The goal of the WIPA program is to assist Social Security beneficiaries with disabilities to make informed choices about work and to support working beneficiaries to make a successful transition to self-sufficiency.

WIPA services are available to individuals currently working or actively seeking work.

All inquiries and services are kept strictly confidential and are free of charge.

We can help you understand how work will affect a variety of benefits.

Medicaid

Medicare

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Snap Benefits

Housing

Workers Compensation

Unemployment Insurance

Veteran Benefits

How can a Community Work Incentives Coordinator (CWIC) help you?

Each WIPA project has Community Work Incentives Coordinators who:

- Provide in-depth counseling about your benefits and the effect of work on those benefits
- Conduct outreach efforts to beneficiaries of SSI and SSDI
- Understand Social Security Disability benefits programs as well as other federal, state, and local programs for which you might be eligible
- Provide healthcare planning and counseling

Getting disability benefits? We can help you get to work!

If you're getting disability benefits we have good news for you. Social Security's work incentives and Ticket to Work programs can help you if you're interested in working.

CONTACT INFORMATION

When you're ready to explore your work options, we have a **Ticket to Work Helpline** that lets you talk with us about work, benefits, or our work incentive programs.

866.968.7842 (V)
866.833.2967 (TTY)

Visit the Ticket to Work website
at

<https://choosework.ssa.gov>
Or see us on Facebook
www.facebook.com/choosework



For more information or to
schedule an
appointment with a Certified
Work Incentives Coordinator, call
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ARE YOU....

.....currently receiving SSI or SSDI benefits and want to work?

.....wondering how returning to work would affect your Social Security benefits?

.....working part-time and thinking about transitioning to full-time work?

We can help you understand your options and support your decisions about returning to work.

Choose fulfillment.

Choose earnings.

Choose Work