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## Are you between the ages of 14 and full retirement age and considering employment?

The WIPA Program will provide you with the knowledge you need to make informed choices about employment. Our Community Work Incentives Coordinators (CWICs) provide **FREE** individualized benefits counseling for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries with disabilities who are working, or are about to begin working. Work Incentives make it possible for you to keep your Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and/or health care benefits while you test your ability to work.

### Services provided by our WIPA Project include:

- Benefits Planning and Advisement;
- Problem Solving and Advocacy;
- Benefits Support Planning;
- Addressing barriers to employment;
- Independent Living Supports; and
- Information and Referral.

### What is Ticket to Work?



The Ticket to Work Program offers employment support and services including vocational rehabilitation, training and job referrals to help you reach your employment goals.

### Learn more about Social Security Work Incentives:



- Trial Work Period;
- Extended Period of Eligibility;
- Unsuccessful Work Attempt;
- Impairment-Related Work Expenses;
- Earned Income Exclusion;
- Subsidy and Special Conditions;
- Unincurred Business Expenses;
- Plan to Achieve Self Support;
- Property Essential to Self-Support;
- Blind Work Expenses;
- Student Earned Income Exclusion;
- Medicaid 1619A and 1619B;
- Extended Medicare;
- Expedited Reinstatement; and
- Medicaid Works (VA residents only)

Learn how other Federal, State, and local programs, such as TANF, Section-8 Housing Vouchers, Childcare Assistance Programs, etc., are impacted by employment. Work incentives are specific to the type of benefit you receive. Contact a CWIC to find out which ones you may qualify for!

### All printed materials are available in alternate format upon request

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### You may want to contact a CWIC if you receive Social Security disability benefits and you are:

- Considering employment;
- Concerned about how working might affect your healthcare benefits;
- Starting a new job or changing your hours;
- Want to know what would happen if you are no longer able to work;
- Interested in returning to school; or
- Seeking a job but need help with your search.



### Our CWICs...

- Provide work incentives planning and assistance;
- Help you and your family determine if you are eligible for Federal or State work incentive programs;
- Refer you to local Employment Networks or State Vocational Rehabilitation agencies such as DARS or DBVI;
- Provide general information about potential employer-based or federally subsidized health benefits coverage available to you once you enter the workforce; and
- Inform you of the available protection and advocacy services.

## CONTACT US

For general information about your SSI/SSDI and how working will affect your benefits, contact the **Social Security Ticket to Work Help Line**

Monday through Friday  
8 am to 8 pm (EST)

1-866-968-7842 (V)

1-866-833-2967 (TTY)

**For more information about this WIPA Program, contact**

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Washington, DC

Cities of Emporia, Poquoson, and Williamsburg.

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