

Social Security Benefits Basics

Ask Before Committing (ABC)

Quick Tips on how to make the most of your benefits and use work incentive options **before** you accept employment offers or open your own business:

❖ Know which type of benefits you are receiving (request Social Security Statement)

- ◆ Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- ◆ Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

❖ Understand Work Incentive Rules:

★ Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)

- ▲ Trial Work Period (TWP)
- ▲ Extended period of eligibility (EPE)
- ▲ Expedited Reinstatement
- ▲ Medicare continuation
- ▲ Work Expenses related to your disability

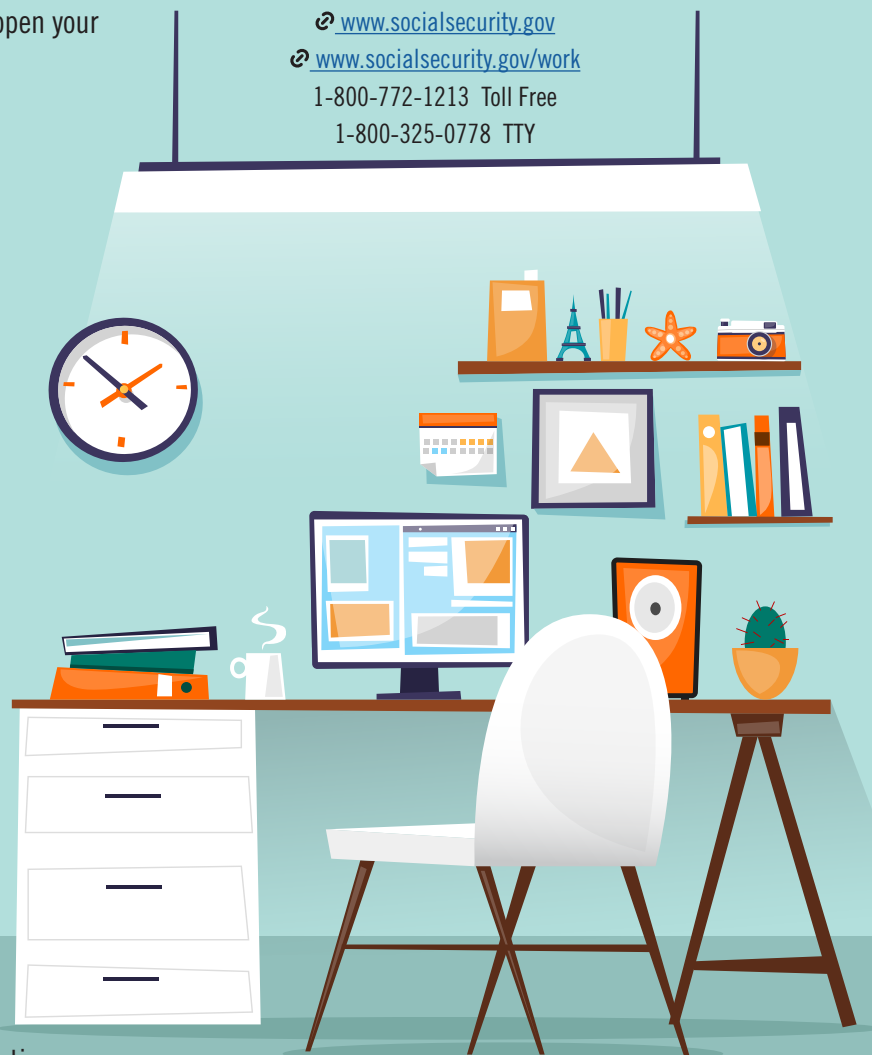
★ Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

- ▲ Continuation of Medicaid
- ▲ Expedited reinstatement
- ▲ Work Expenses related to your disability
- ▲ Plan to achieve self-support (PASS)
- ▲ Students with disabilities

❖ Know your resources are reliable to Ask Before Committing (ABC) and contact them to help

- ◆ Social Security Administration (SSA): Area Work Incentive Coordinator (A-WIC)
- ◆ Work Incentives Planning and Assistance Program (WIPA): Community Work Incentive Coordinator (C-WIC)
- ◆ Ticket to Work Program (TTW): Employment Network Provider (EN)
- ◆ Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS): Protection and Advocacy (P&A) Programs

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