# **SSI Work Incentives**

### Work incentives that...

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# Provide health care coverage

#### 1619(b)

Keep MA coverage with earnings up to \$69,070 per year (and possibly higher if you have high medical expenses).

#### MA-EPD

MA coverage for Minnesotans with disabilities, who work, pay Medicare and Social Security taxes, and earn more than \$65 per month.

# Help you try out work (test the waters)

## 1619(b)

Keep SSI eligibility even when earnings cause SSI to be \$0 if you still meet other SSI eligibility criteria and earnings are less than \$69,070 per year (and possibly higher if you have very high medical expenses).

# **Expedited Reinstatement of Benefits**

Get benefits back quickly if earnings are above \$69,070 for more than 1 year and SSI terminates. If earnings fall below Substantial Gainful Activity ((\$1,310 in 2021), automatically get six months of benefits while waiting for a disability determination. This program works for 60 months after SSI terminates due to work.

# Help you increase your income (cash in your pocket)

# **Earned or General Income Exclusion (EIE or GIE)**

The first \$20 of any income and the first \$65 of earned income each month is not counted when determining your SSI amount.

# Student Earned Income Exclusion (SEIE)

The first \$1,930 per month of earnings (up to \$7,770 per year) doesn't count when determining your SSI amount.

# **Blind Work Expenses**

Earned income you use on work expenses is not counted when determining your SSI amount.

# Plan for Achieving Self Support (PASS)

Get more SSI if you use other money to pay for education, work or self-employment costs.

# **Impairment Related Work Expenses (IRWE)**

Income you use to pay for some disability-related work expenses is not counted when determining your SSI check.

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Help you save money,

start a business,

plan for work,

pay for education and training

# **Property Essential to Self-Support (PESS)**

Things you use to make money in your self-employment are not counted as resources for SSI.

## Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Account

The money in an ABLE account (up to \$100,000) is not counted when determining your SSI eligibility. Money from the ABLE account is not counted when determining your SSI amount.

#### **Individual Development Account (IDA)**

Money in an IDA account is not counted when determining your SSI eligibility. Up to half of the amount you put in the IDA account is not counted when determining your SSI amount.

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#### **Ticket to Work**

Connect with an expert to help with finding work plus stop SSI medical disability review.