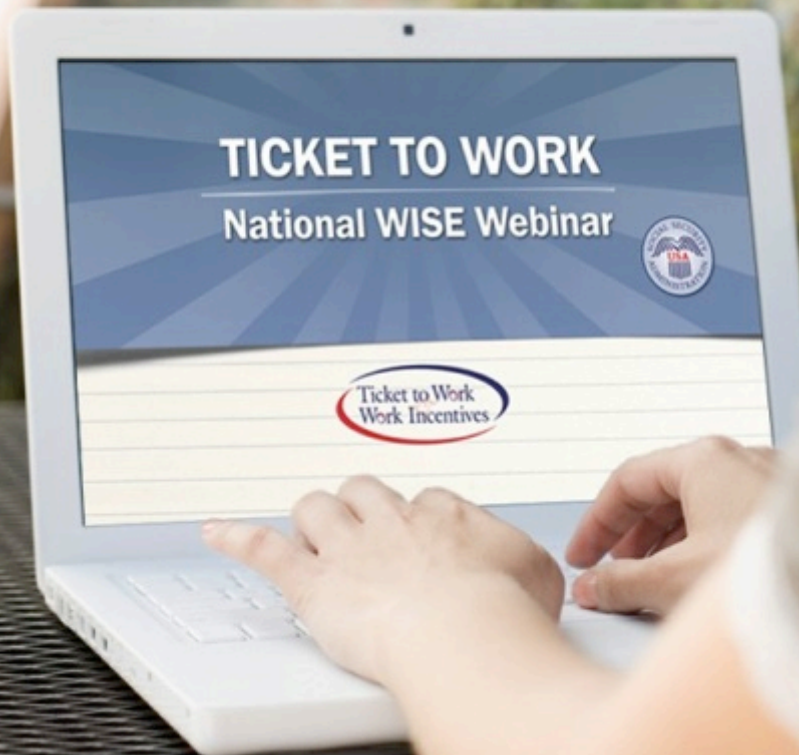


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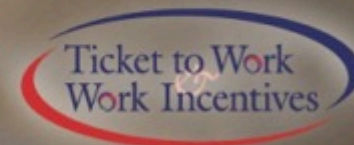
TICKET TO WORK

**Free Support Services for People Who
Have a Disability and Are Ready to Work**

Work Incentives Seminar Event



Date: Wednesday, December 17
Time: 3:00-4:30 pm EDT



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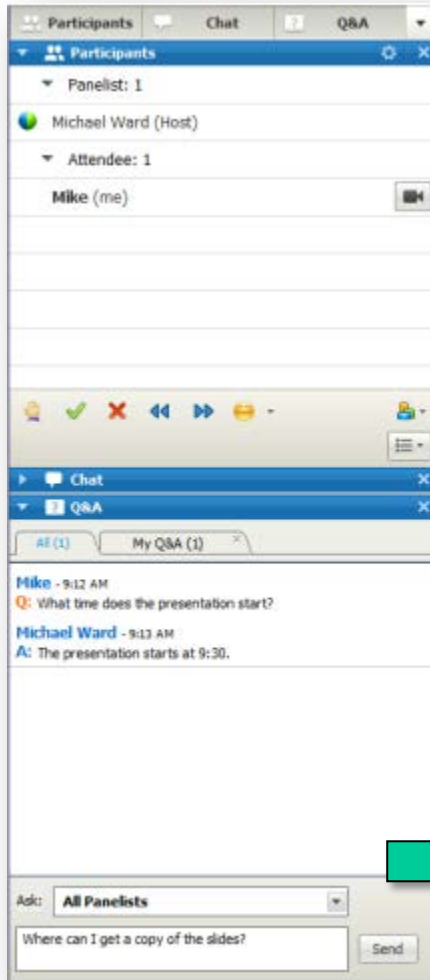
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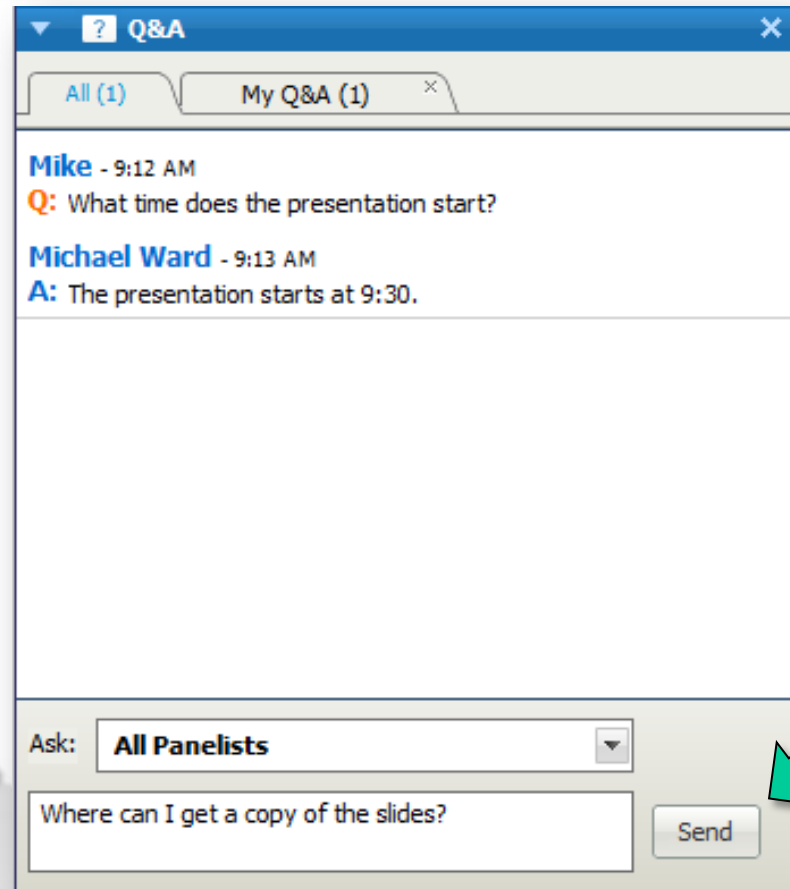
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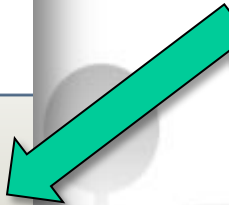
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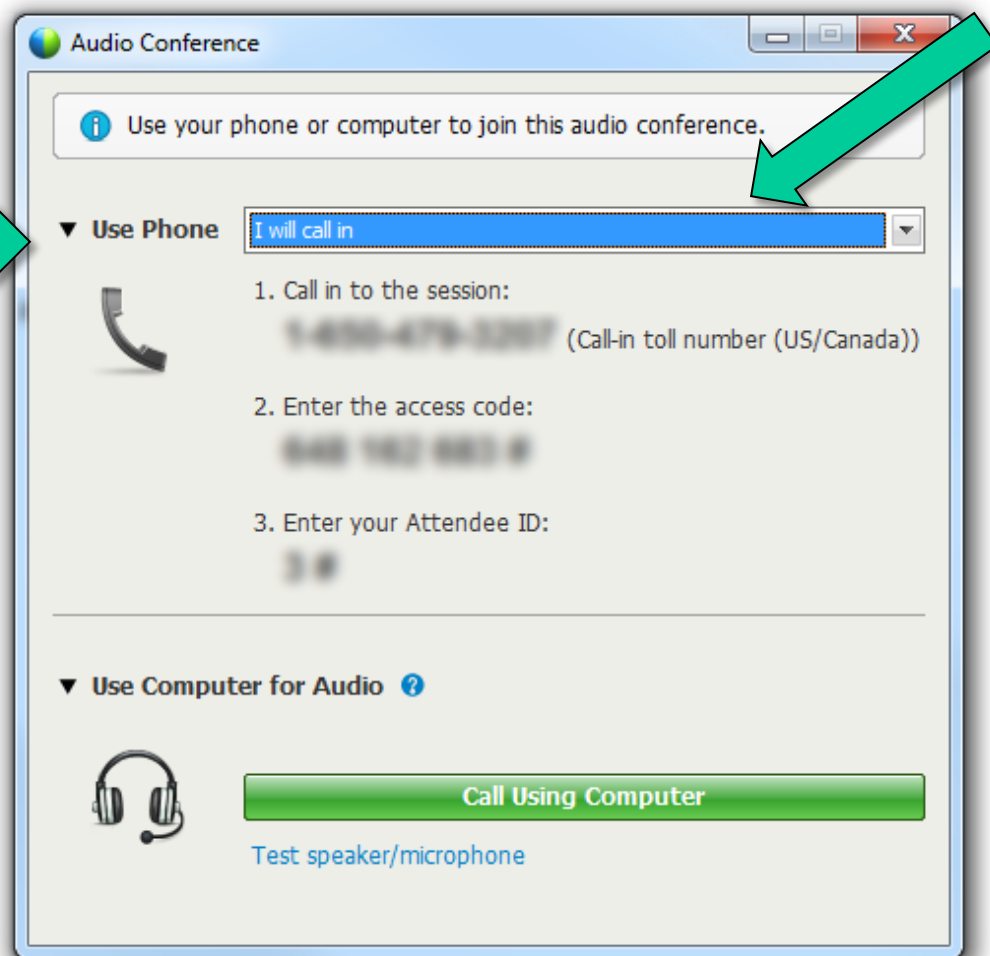
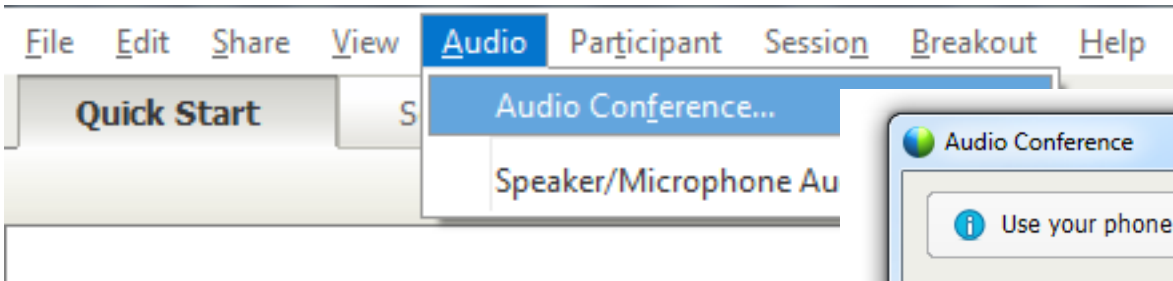
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This is a zoomed-in view of the Q&A panel. It features a header with a question mark icon and the text 'Q&A'. Below the header are two tabs: 'All (1)' and 'My Q&A (1)'. The main content area displays the question and answer from the previous screenshot. At the bottom, there is an 'Ask:' dropdown menu set to 'All Panelists', a text input field containing 'Where can I get a copy of the slides?', and a 'Send' button.



Audio and Questions Panels



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Ray Cebula, Employment & Disability Institute, Cornell University

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Kendra Berry, Indiana Works

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Tina Skeel and Kendra Berry, Indiana Works

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Social Security Disability Benefit Programs



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The Ticket To Work Program



Taking the Next Step

- Gathering information and resources is key to planning your journey toward employment.
- **Ticket to Work** and **Work Incentives** can help make your journey a smooth one.



Starting the Journey

Only you can decide if work is
the right choice for you.



Why Choose Work?

- Earn more income
- Gain independence
- Meet new people
- Learn new skills



The Ticket to Work Program

- Supports career development for people with disabilities who want to work
- Is for Social Security disability beneficiaries age 18 through 64
- Is free and voluntary





Work Incentives

Work Incentives

Work Incentives are special rules that allow you to:

- Receive training for new skills
- Improve the skills you already have
- Pursue your education
- Try different jobs
- Start a career
- Gain confidence



Most Common Work Incentives



Earned
Income
Exclusion



Protection from
Medical
Continuing
Disability
Reviews



Trial Work
Period



Continuation
of Medicare
Coverage



Section
1619(b)
Continued
Medicaid
Eligibility



Expedited
Reinstatement



Megan's Journey to Financial Independence

2008

Diagnosed with
clinical depression

2010

Connected with
an Employment
Network

2011

Successfully working.
Begins Extended Period
of Eligibility (EPE), and
cash benefits stop.

2013

Work ends during
EPE. Cash benefits
re-start without
new application.

2014

Back to work
as a Zumba
instructor



Your Employment Team

Employment Team



Employment Networks (EN)

- Career Planning
- Job Leads and Job Placement
- Ongoing Employment Support
- Benefits Counseling



State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Agencies

- Intensive Training
- Education
- Rehabilitation
- Career Counseling
- Job Placement Assistance
- Benefits Counseling



Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA) projects

- Benefits Counseling
- Other Federal and State programs



Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS)

- Individual Advocacy/Conflict Resolution

Employment Networks (EN)



ENs are organizations and agencies that entered into an agreement with Social Security to provide

- Free employment services
- Vocational rehabilitation services
- and other types of support services to people receiving Social Security disability benefits with disabilities under the Ticket to Work program

Employment Networks (EN)



EN services may include:

- Career Planning
- Job Leads and Job Placement
- Ongoing Employment Support
- Benefits Counseling

Selecting the Right EN



Tips for selecting an EN

- Determine what kind of help you need
- Talk with multiple ENs
- Ask questions

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- Intensive Training
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Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA) projects



Working with a WIPA project can help you:

- Decide whether the Ticket to Work program is right for you.
- Understand the **potential benefits of employment** as a person who receives disability benefits from Social Security while dispelling the myths about working.
- Analyze how **work and earnings will affect** your Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), health care (Medicare or Medicaid), and other public benefits.
- **Understand the services** a State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agency or an Employment Network (EN) may provide and how they might fit best with your needs.

Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS)



PABSS services are:

- **Located throughout the 50 states, U.S. territories, and the Tribal Nations.**
- **Designed to help SSI and SSDI beneficiaries with disabilities remove obstacles preventing them from working.**
- **Free to everyone that receives a Social Security benefit or Medicare/Medicaid based on disability benefits.**



LOOKING BACK
MOVING FORWARD **15**
YEARS
1999-2014

Celebrating 15 Years of Ticket to Work

December 17, 2014 marks the 15-year anniversary of the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999.

This law has been helping thousands of Social Security beneficiaries explore and find meaningful employment and move toward financial independence.

TICKET TO WORK

Signed into law
in 1999 by President Bill Clinton.

Officially reaches all 50 states and DC in 2003.

800 service providers make up the "Employment Team" that supports people with disabilities on their journey to financial independence. Use the Find Help tool!

EN **PABSS** **WF** **VR** **WIPA**

15 WORK INCENTIVES make it easier for people with disabilities to work and still receive Medicaid and Medicare and some cash benefits from Social Security during their transition to work and financial independence.

More than 200,000 calls come to the Ticket to Work Help Line annually.

200,000

SECTION 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, creates new opportunities for Ticket to Work participants. Social Security anticipates increased employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities among federal contractors and subcontractors.

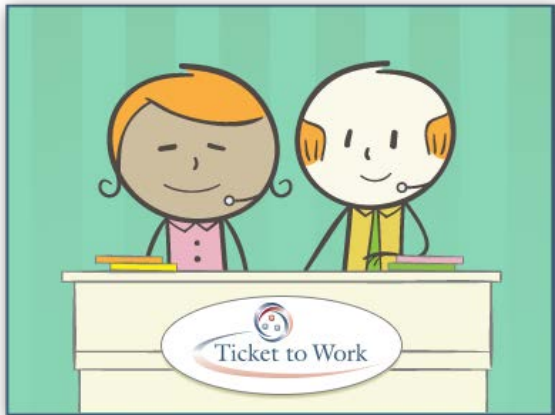
Sets a national 7% utilization goal for federal contractors with the aim to increase the representation of people with disabilities in their workforce.

7%

WERE HIRING New hiring goal could potentially mean jobs for an additional 600,000 people with disabilities.

15 YEARS

www.socialsecurity.gov/work



Resources

Find Help Tool

Visit: www.choosework.net/findhelp to search for the right service provider for you.

You can search by:

- ZIP code
- Services offered
- Disability types
- Languages spoken
- Provider type (EN, VR, WIPA or PABSS)

For More Information





Call the Ticket to Work Help Line:

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- 1-866-833-2967 (TTY)

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