



Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA) is a project that helps Social Security Administration (SSA) disability beneficiaries to understand and use work incentives to start or return to work.

A Community Work Incentive Coordinator (CWIC) works individually with people who are currently working or seeking employment and help them plan, through using work incentives, to build a more secure financial future and a better life.

A CWIC works with Employment Networks, Michigan Works One Stop Career Centers, local Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth - Rehabilitation Services (MRS) offices, Commission for the Blind, and other community agencies.

**We can help you to understand how work affects a variety of benefits:**

**Medicaid**

**Medicare Part A, B & D**

**Social Security Disability Insurance**

**Supplemental Security Income**

**Food Assistance**

**Housing Subsidies**

**Workers Compensation**

**Unemployment Insurance**

**Veteran Benefits**

**Short or Long Term Disability**

**Family Independence Programs**

- *Department of Human Services formally known as Family Independence Agency*

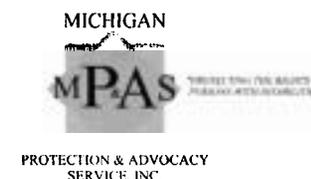
**Private Health Insurance**

**Individual Development Accounts**

**Earned Income Tax Credits**



Did you know the Freedom to Work Medicaid program allows people with disabilities who work to increase their earnings and savings and still keep their Medicaid Coverage?



**Michigan Protection & Advocacy Services, Inc.**

**Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS) Program**

Provides advocacy assistance with return to work issues, including accessing needed services, workplace accommodations, workplace discrimination and legal support services.

PABSS program also can provide assistance with your SSI or SSDI overpayments if:

- You are receiving SSI or SSDI checks each month
- You have a work-related SSI or SSDI overpayment
- The overpayment is impacting your ability to obtain or maintain employment

**Call PABSS at 800-292-5896**

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1-888-232-4140 / 313-964-3900 ext. 402

Counties Served: Wayne

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UCP of Metropolitan Detroit  
1-800-827-4843

Counties Served: Lapeer, Macomb and Oakland

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The Arc Michigan

1-800-292-7851

Counties Served: Allegan, Barry, Berrien, Branch, Cass, Calhoun, Clinton, Eaton, Hillsdale, Ingham, Ionia, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Lenawee, Livingston, Monroe, Ottawa, St. Joseph, Van Buren, and Washtenaw

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1-800-828-2714

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## *Related Web Resources:*

### **Ticket to Work:**

*www.yourtickettowork.com*

### **Freedom to Work Medicaid Program:**

*www.freedomtoworkmedicaid.com*

### **Social Security Administration:**

*www.ssa.gov/work*



### **Michigan Coalition of WIPA:**

The Arc of Michigan

*www.arcmi.org*

Goodwill Industries of Detroit

*www.goodwilldetroit.org*

United Cerebral Palsy of Metro. Detroit

*www.ucpdetroit.org*

United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan

*www.ucpmichigan.org*

### **For Legal Advocacy:**

Michigan Protection & Advocacy  
Services Inc.

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*Receiving  
Social Security Disability  
Benefits?  
Want to work?*



*We help you understand how to financially benefit  
by using Work Incentives*

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