

Desktop Resource Guide for Job Seekers with Disabilities

The Disability Program Navigator on staff can assist with:

*Social Security Work Incentives *Benefits Planning Assistance *Medicaid Buy-In Program *Work-Site Accommodations

The DPN does not provide job placement, they can assist like any other advisor in identifying barriers, developing a resume, helping with interview preparation, career guidance including ONET research, developing linkages with VESID and other community resources.

Agency	Services	Contact
VESID	Vocational assessment, vocational counseling, assistance with transition from school to the world of work, job training and placement and other services to support the individual's employment objective.	VESID (315) 428-4179 Main Number to schedule an orientation
CBVH (Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped)	CBVH Mission: To enhance employability, to maximize independence, and to assist in the development of the capacities and strengths of people who are blind and visually impaired.	423-5417 to schedule an appointment with a councilor
To apply for SSI or SSDI	SSI is a needs based program based on income and resources often used by individuals with little or no work experience administered by the Social Security Office. SSDI is Social Security is for individuals with an individual that significantly impacts their ability to work and have earned credits through work record.	To apply you can call 1-800-772-1231 or go in person to the Social Security Office 12th Floor 421 Montgomery Street Syracuse
JAN (Job Accommodations Network)	A free consulting service designed to increase the employability of individuals with disabilities by: providing individualized worksite accommodations solutions, to provide technical assistance regarding the ADA and legislation and educating callers about self employment options.	1-800-526-7234 www.jan.wvu.edu
Child Care Solutions	Information and referrals to local child care and early education programs. Child care centers, nursery schools, summer camps.	446-1220
Day Care Services	Subsidized child care for eligible populations	435-5683

Child Support Services	Locate absent parents, establish paternity and obtain support of children	1-888-208-4485
P.E.A.C.E, Inc.	Several programs serve families with young children who have developmental disabilities.	470-3300
Legal Services of CNY	Protection and Advocacy Project provides free legal representation for people with disabilities concerning their rights.	475-3127
Emergency Assistance for Adults	Meets emergency needs for individuals who are eligible for one or are receiving SSI covers lost or stolen cash, checks, evictions, shut offs, food vouchers.	435-2815
Food Stamps	Provides federal food stamp benefits that can be used to buy food.	435-2700
Benefit Planning	How will SSI or SSDI be impacted when you return to work?	(315) 671-3080 jfish@ariseinc.org
Temporary Assistance	Short term help with basic living needs	Civic Center 421 Montgomery Street 2nd Floor
H.E.A.P.	Low income families to meet home energy costs	435-8295
SHA (Syracuse Housing Authority)	Low Income public housing, including housing for families, elderly and people with disabilities.	475-6181 470-4400
AURORA	Interpreter Services	422-7263
CENTRO	Call a bus/ Rides for Work	442-3400
Health Insurance	If you are under age 65 you can call to conduct an interview to determine eligibility for Public Health Insurance	435-6808 433-5700 1-800-716-4885
Prescription Medications	Programs to assist the prescription drug costs	http://pfizerhelpfulanswers.com/pages/find/find.aspx
Experience Works	Program for job seekers 55 and over, income based.	471-0931