

What is an Employment Network?

An Employment Network is an agency that can provide employment services to Social Security beneficiaries with disabilities. These beneficiaries are called Ticket Holders.

What are the benefits of working with an Employment Network?

The real advantage to an Employment Network is **choice**. As a Ticket Holder you have choice in the agency you work with by selecting the program that works best for you. The Employment Network also has the ability to develop a plan, conduct an assessment and ensure that they are the best fit for your needs. With the power of choice, both parties can ensure a good fit that will lead to a successful job match.

What services does the CNY WORKS Employment Network offer?

- *Resume Development*
- *Interview Preparation*
- *Benefit Advisement*
- *Referrals to support agencies*
- *Job Placement*

Frequently Asked Questions

What if I do not receive Social Security Disability Income (SSDI) or Social Security Income (SSI)?

The Employment Network is structured to service the needs of SSDI/ SSI beneficiaries. If you do not receive either benefit you are still eligible to utilize the services at CNY WORKS for your job search.

How much does it cost?

There is no charge to work with an Employment Network.

Is there an actual ticket?

Yes, at one time the Social Security Administration issued tickets to eligible beneficiaries, but you do not need the actual ticket to use it. Eligibility can be verified during a meeting with staff.

How do I request an accommodation at the One- Stop?

CNY Works is committed to ensuring that all services and programs are available in an accessible manner for job seekers. If you are in need of an accommodation, please call Lauraine at 477-6927

**Are you
receiving SSI or
SSDI and have
an interest in
returning to
work?**



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How does the Ticket to Work program work?

The **Ticket to Work** is a Social Security Administration program that helps individuals with disabilities, who are interested in working to get the services and supports they need to accomplish their desired work goals.

Ticket Holders are individuals who are **currently** receiving Social Security Disability Insurance (**SSDI**) or Supplemental Security Income (**SSI**) ages 18 -64.

Ticket Holders are encouraged to obtain information on the different **Employment Networks** in the county. Based on the services of interest, you can ask the Employment Network to assign your ticket.

What should I expect when I contact CNY WORKS about my Ticket?

You will work with a staff member who will talk with you and answer questions about the Employment Network and the services provided. We will also verify that you are an eligible Ticket Holder at that time.

Together, we will obtain information about your work history, goals, and barriers to employment. We will develop a plan for employment that will include benefit advisement and Social Security work incentive planning.

If **both parties** decide that they would like to use the Ticket, a contract will be signed that will outline the CNY WORKS responsibilities, as well as the Ticket Holder's rights and responsibilities. We will then proceed to implement a plan that will lead to job development and job placement!

For more information,
or to schedule an
appointment, please
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