

# Why You Should Apply for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) Benefits

*Social Security Disability Assistance Program*

## Regular Monthly Income

SSDI is a regular monthly payment that supplements any current disability benefits you receive and can also provide annual cost-of-living increases. A portion of these benefits may be tax free.

## Medicare Benefits

Regardless of your age, 24 months after your date of entitlement to SSDI benefits, you are eligible for Medicare benefits, which includes Part A (hospital benefits) and Part B (medical benefits). A variety of Medicare Advantage plans also are available to you.

## Prescription Drug Coverage

Once you're entitled to Medicare, you also are eligible for Medicare Part D, the prescription drug plan.

## COBRA Extension

If you receive SSDI benefits, the length of your COBRA benefits may be extended an additional 11 months.

## Long-Term Disability (LTD) Benefits

If you have private long-term disability insurance, your provider most likely will require you to seek SSDI. Complying with this requirement could help protect your ability to receive LTD income.

## Protected Retirement Benefits

When you reach retirement age, SSDI ends and you transition to Social Security retirement benefits. SSDI entitlement "freezes" your Social Security earnings record during your period of disability. Because those years will not be counted when computing future benefits, your Social Security retirement benefits may be higher.

## Dependent Benefits

If you receive SSDI benefits and you have a dependent under age 18, he or she also may be eligible for benefits.

## Return-to-Work Incentives

Social Security will provide you opportunities to return to work while still paying you disability benefits.

**98%**  
Success Rate\*

**98%**  
Satisfaction Rate\*\*

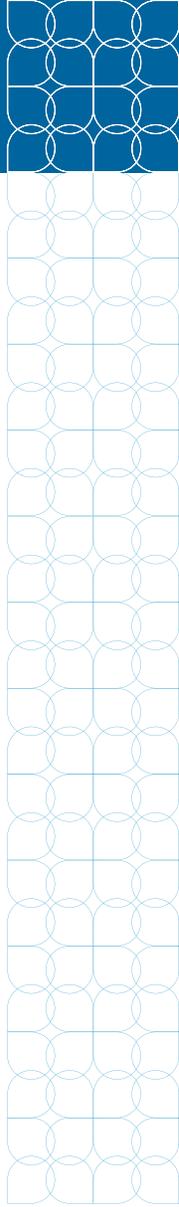


*Shauna (right) with Allsup employee David (left). Shauna is an Allsup customer awarded in February 2007.*

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### The Allsup Advantage

Allsup is a premier provider of Social Security disability representation and Medicare plan selection services. Serving individuals with disabilities for more than 25 years, Allsup was founded as the first nationwide, non-attorney service helping people claim their SSDI benefits. In its history, Allsup has successfully secured disability benefits for more than 170,000 deserving customers and obtained over \$14 billion in SSDI payments and Medicare benefits.

At Allsup, we are driven to provide superior customer service. We understand the daily physical and mental challenges that accompany a disability. With this knowledge and our depth of experience, we've been able to successfully streamline and navigate the Social Security disability process to make it less confusing, less intimidating, and more convenient for people with disabilities.

**Our 98 percent award rate\*** for customers who complete the SSDI process with us far exceeds the national average of those applying without professional representation.

### Our expert and knowledgeable staff

specializes in Social Security disability and has accumulated decades of experience in dealing with the Social Security Administration (SSA).

### A single, specialized representative

will handle your claim at each level to expedite your SSDI benefits and Medicare entitlement.

**Our claims experts are located all across the country** and will personally represent you at local hearings, if necessary.

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### We complete all Social Security forms

for you, either electronically, by phone and/or mail. We also gather relevant medical records and documents from your healthcare professionals.

### Allsup monitors the status of your claim,

ensures your file is updated and keeps you informed of its progress.

**Eight of 10 Allsup customers who receive awards** typically do so without ever visiting an SSA office.

### Customer Satisfaction

Ninety-eight percent of our SSDI customers tell us they are very pleased with Allsup's service and rated their overall experience highly. In fact, 98 percent\*\* said they would recommend Allsup to family and friends. Let us help you, too.



*Jeff, an Allsup customer awarded in March 2008.*

