

What is the Alaska Works Initiative?

Alaska Works is a federally funded initiative to address barriers to employment for Alaskans with significant disabilities and to increase the employment rate of people with disabilities in Alaska. Alaska Works is administered by the Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education. If you have additional questions about the Initiative or comments, please contact our training and project coordinator.



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Working While on Public Benefits

Addressing Barriers; Creating
Change!

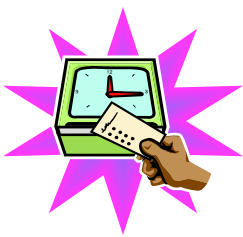
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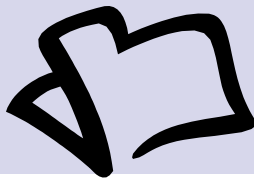
What can we do for you?

If you receive benefits through the Adult Public Assistance program (APA), then we may be able to help you as you begin your job search. Alaska Works has three advocates ready to assist people with disabilities who receive public supports and are interested in going to work. The advocates, also called Disability Employment Specialists, can help you to access benefit



planning services in addition to other employment supports. Our specialists will help you

understand what will happen to your Social Security, Medicaid, and other benefits when you go to work or accept a new position. These staff are located in Juneau, Anchorage, and Fairbanks but can serve customers statewide. We can also support you in your efforts to access other services and begin your employment search. Our goal is your successful employment!



What services do we provide?

Our Disability Employment Specialists provide a variety of services including, but not restricted to:

- Connecting you with employment support services such as:
 - Vocational Rehabilitation
 - Job Center Services
 - Assistive technology
 - Supports for specific disabilities
 - Independent Living Services
 - Using your Ticket to Work
- Connecting you with a trained Benefit Planner to help you plan for employment
- Person Centered Career Planning
- Managing your Adult Public Assistance case as you begin your career
- Training to help you increase your self-advocacy skills (including how to manage services provided to you)
- Provide advocacy as necessary

Who is eligible?

Any person who receives Adult Public Assistance and is between the ages of 18 and 64 is eligible to receive supports from our Disability Employment Specialists.

Would you like more information?

If you would like more information, please fill out the lines below and fax it to (907) 274-4802 or you can email to anj@uaa.alaska.edu.

I would like more information about how work will effect my benefits.

YES
 NO

I would like to be contacted by an employment specialist.

YES
 NO

Do you have any information you would like to share with us?

Name

Address

Phone

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