

2024 Disability Webinar Series

How to Successfully File a Disability Application

TIME: 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

DATES: January 16, 23, 30, and February 13, 20, 27 (Series 1)
April 9, 16, 23, 30 and May 7, 14 (Series 2)
July 9, 16, 23, 30 and August 6, 13 (Series 3)
October 8, 15, 22, 29, and November 5, 12 (Series 4)

About our Program & Webinars

Our mission is to help people understand and acquire Social Security disability benefits so they can improve their financial situation as well as their health. Our webinar series is designed to simplify Social Security's complex application process so an individual can successfully apply for benefits at the initial level without the need for representation.

Resources Provided

1. A copy of the slides will be sent prior to each webinar.
2. Video recordings of each webinar are provided to all registered participants following the live presentation or earlier upon request.
3. In addition to the Q&A portion of the live webinar, a written Q&A will be provided following each webinar. This has the added benefit of allowing me to further research each question so I can provide accurate and concise information to everyone.

Candidates for this Training

Anyone assisting in or preparing for the SSA disability application process, including individuals applying for SSI/SSDI, families of individuals with disabilities, clinicians, case managers, advocates, and staff who provide services to individuals in need of accessing disability benefits.

Cost

For individuals: \$40 per webinar or \$200 for all 6 webinars. Group pricing is available for groups of six or more. Contact Byron Kish at bkish@eastersealscolorado.org for more information.

Donations

Please consider donating to the DBS program at Easterseals Colorado. Social Security Disability can provide several hundred thousand dollars of benefits and insurance over a lifetime and can be a significant factor in preventing homelessness. We greatly appreciate donations that help us continue to provide these life altering services to those we serve.

How to Register

Register online at <https://bit.ly/dbswEB24> or complete the attached form and return by email, fax, or mail. Additional information and directions are located on the registration form.

Questions

Please email Byron Kish at bkish@eastersealscolorado.org or call (303) 515-1653.

Webinar Topics

The SSA Disability Programs and Process

- Learn how the Social Security Administration's (SSA) defines disability
- Emphasizes why working can be good for you and your disability case
- Teaches the similarities and differences between Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- Discusses the application process, its timeframe, as well as how and where to apply

The SSA Application Forms

- Instructs how, when, and where to submit SSA application forms and medical evidence
- Teaches how you should complete the SSA 821 Work Activity Report, the SSA 3368 Adult Disability Report, and the SSA 827 Authorization to Release Information
- Teaches the importance of the SSA 1696 Appointment of Representative form

The Medical Eligibility Criteria

- Teaches the medical criteria and the five-step determination process
- Teaches how to use this information to explain how a person meets the medical criteria
- Teaches what additional case development can improve the success of an application

Transition from Child to Adult Disability

- Discusses child (SSI) and adult disability (SSI/SSDI) and the transition between them
- Explains the requirements and importance of disabled adult child (DAC) benefits
- Teaches how to plan for disability issues that arise with transition age youth/adults
- Discusses how parents and professionals, including, case workers, teacher, and doctors, can help support a disability application

The SSA Work History Report

- Provides information on how to properly complete the SSA's Work History Report
- Walks you through the report and explains what questions mean in simple terms
- Provides a strategy to answering the Work History report's questions
- Provides important tips in filling out this report

The SSA Adult Function Report

- Walks you through the report and explains what questions mean in simple terms
- Further builds on strategies discussed in the Work History webinar and how to apply them to the Function Report
- Highlights concepts, organization, and strategies particularly important to this form
- Discusses common mistakes and how to avoid them in completing this form

Presenter

Byron J. Kish, Esq., Senior Director of Disability Benefits Services (DBS), has worked in the disability field since 2010, both at the SSA and as an attorney advocate. In addition to representing clients and managing DBS, he trains and oversees SOAR advocates throughout Colorado, serves as a consulting expert to the national SOAR program and other organizations, and collaborates with the SSA and Disability Determination Services to ensure a quality and efficient adjudication process. Byron graduated from Central Michigan University with a Bachelor's in Business Administration and earned his Juris Doctorate from Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, graduating Magnum Cum Laude. His diverse background will help you understand how the SSA reviews an application, how to advocate for others, and how to avoid the common mistakes made by many advocates and claimants.

2024 Webinar Registration Form

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