

## SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS AND NOTES

THERE'S GOOD NEWS FOR AMERICANS WHO RECEIVE DISABILITY BENEFITS FROM SOCIAL SECURITY AND WANT TO WORK. A FREE, VOLUNTARY PROGRAM MAY BE THEIR TICKET TO EMPLOYMENT. THE TICKET TO WORK PROGRAM MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR THOSE WHO RECEIVE SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME—ALSO KNOWN AS S-S-I—OR SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INSURANCE—ALSO KNOWN AS S-S-D-I—TO BEGIN A JOB WHILE MAINTAINING ACCESS TO SOME OF THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS. TICKET TO WORK BENEFITS COUNSELORS CAN HELP YOU LEARN HOW EARNED INCOME FROM WORK AFFECTS DISABILITY BENEFITS AND HOW YOU CAN USE SOCIAL SECURITY "WORK INCENTIVES" TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE MEDICARE OR MEDICAID AND, IN SOME CASES, CASH PAYMENTS FROM SOCIAL SECURITY. WORK INCENTIVES ARE DESIGNED TO HELP YOU TRANSITION TO THE WORKPLACE AND GAIN CONFIDENCE TO SUSTAIN WORK AND PURSUE FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE. TO FIND OUT IF YOU'RE ELIGIBLE FOR WORK INCENTIVES SUCH AS THE TRIAL WORK PERIOD OR EXPEDITED REINSTATEMENT, CALL 1--8-6-6--9-6-8--7-8-4-2 OR 1--8-6-6--8-3-3--2-9-6-7 FOR T-T-Y, OR VISIT CHOOSE-WORK--DOT--S-S-A--DOT--GOV.