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Disability Benefits 101

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Disability Benefits 101 gives you tools and information on health coverage, benefits, and employment. You can plan ahead and learn how work and benefits go together. [> More](#)

Your Situation

Take a personal approach to benefits planning. Find information that applies to you. [> More](#)

- Going to Work**
Planning to work? Find support for going to work and learn how a job can affect your benefits. [> More](#)
- Young People and Benefits**
Learn how to manage school, work, and benefits. Includes tips for parents. [> More](#)
- New to Benefits**
Find out how disability benefits programs work, and learn how to plan for changes in the future. [> More](#)

Programs

Just the facts: Get details about benefit programs. [> More](#)

- Cash Benefits**
Learn about benefits that can help you meet your basic needs. [> More](#)
- Health Care Coverage**
Explore many health coverage options, from public and private sources. [> More](#)
- Work Programs**
Learn how state and federal programs can support your career plans. [> More](#)



Estimators

Benefits and Work Calculator

You can use the Benefits and Work Calculator to find out how a job may affect your total income and your health coverage. [> More](#)

MA-EPD Estimator

Minnesota's MA-EPD program lets workers with disabilities keep MA coverage by paying a monthly premium. Use the MA-EPD Estimator to see if you might qualify, and what your premium might be. [> More](#)

In the News

Affordable Care Act (ACA) Summary and Updates

Many changes brought about by these new laws are of particular significance to people with disabilities. [> More](#)

SSI Recipients Can Now Report Wages by Telephone

Social Security has introduced a new automated wage reporting system for SSI recipients. The system allows SSI recipients to report their work income via telephone in the beginning of each month. [> More](#)

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Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00

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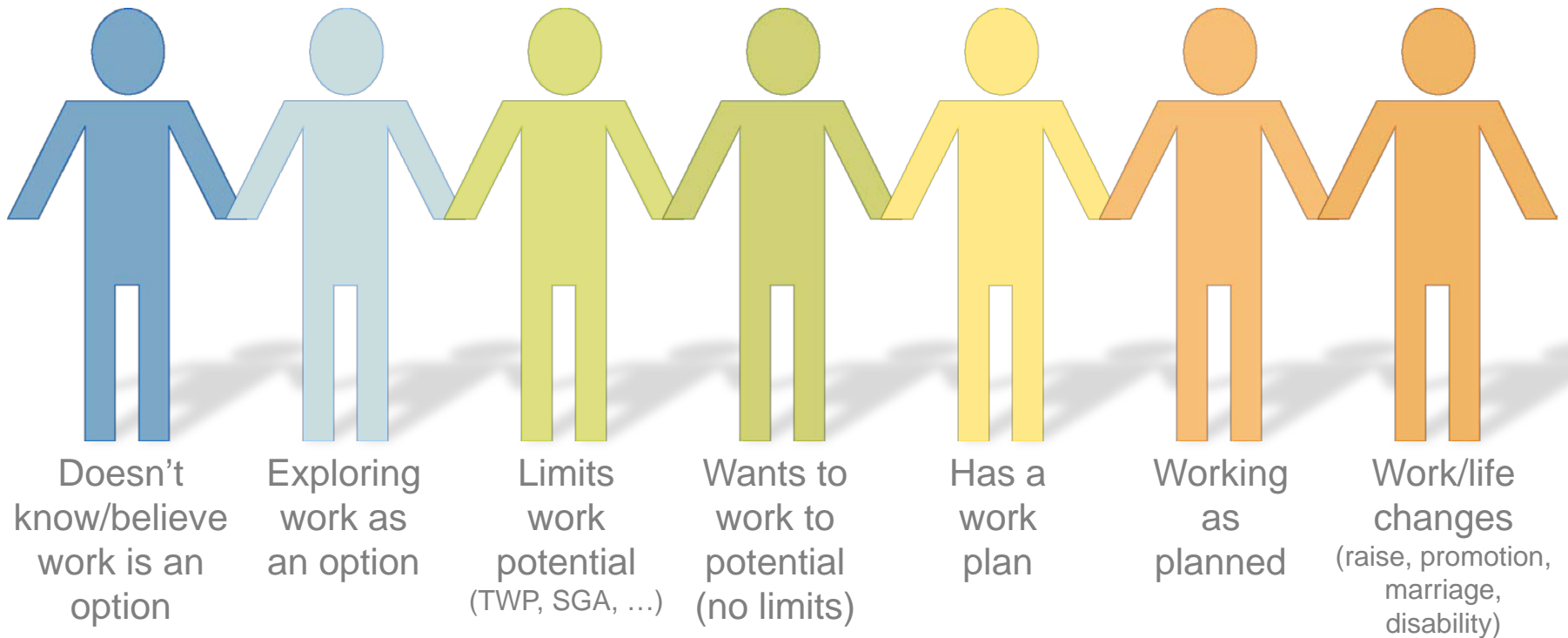
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What is db101.org?

A benefits and work planning website that offers the information, resources and tools you need to:

- better understand benefits and work incentives
- create efficiencies in your work
- help people with disabilities:
 - explore work as an option.
 - make informed choices about work.
 - achieve better employment outcomes.

DB101 can help at all stages to move to full potential



What DB101 can do for you...

- Help consumers overcome barriers
- Build efficiencies, speedier results & better engagement
- Create better employment outcomes
- Build a more consistent level of service
 - Offers a *systematic* way for a more engaged & interactive benefits/financial planning process
 - Streamlines the process by better preparing the consumer for each phase of planning
 - Creates efficiencies & quality assurance by consolidating information into a single tool

The DB101 Model

- Adopt db101.org to MN
- Enhance usability of the site
- Add “help center” to keep people engaged

Site

DB101.org

- DB101 in DLL
- Provide support across continuum
- Coordinate with MNWIC to maximize capacity
- Streamline access

Service

DLL

- Field test to learn application
- Adoption strategies to support goals
- Training to support application

Process

You

DLL & MnWIC – working together to expand benefits planning access



DLL & DB101 supports exploration & information gathering to help clients overcome barriers, get engaged and make work a part of their plan

Work Incentives Connection helps people remove barriers, develop a formal benefits plan and manage their plan to make work profitable

The System Behind the Scenes

Virtual technology connects the system so people get the right information at the right time

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Access it your way
live chat, Email, or phone



DLL STAFF

**MnHelp
network**

Linkage Line System
Resource Database
Technology

DHS

Policy experts
Direct access to client data
Problem solving

MnWIC

Benefits & Work Experts
Forma Benefits Analysis
Complicated Benefits
Consultation

Learn more

Online learning


Quick Start Guides

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Help

Learn more about DB101 — on your own, or with help from others.



Videos

Watch and interact with videos about DB101 Basics and Details.

[Meet DB101](#) (3 minutes). A brief look at DB101 and what it can do for you.

[Use DB101](#) (3 minutes per chapter). A tour of DB101 where you choose what you see and do.

Quick Start Guides

Refer to Quick Start Guides for tips and support while you're using DB101.

- [DB101 At-A-Glance](#)
- [Benefits and Work Estimator](#)
- [MA-EPD Estimator](#)

Meeting in a Box

For employment planners: Conduct a 1-hour meeting with your team.

- [Facilitator Guide](#)
- [Participant Workbook](#)

Talk to an Expert

When you have questions or need help, use **Talk to an Expert**. Anything you talk about is private.

Talk with a DB101 Expert to:

- Understand your current benefits
- Get help using DB101.org
- Connect to resources
- Plan next steps

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Forums

Use **Forums** to ask questions or start a discussion. Experts and users like you will read and reply to your questions and comments.

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Learn more during the conference

Benefits Planning Resource Room (DB101, MnWIC and SSA)

- Watch a DB101 online training video
- Try using DB101
- Learn more about MnWIC services
- Learn more about Work incentives
- Talk to Social Security

See how it all comes together!

Put it to work for you today.
You'll be pleased with the outcomes.



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