



OTHER RESOURCES

Other resources for people with disabilities who want to work:

■ Department of Labor, Bureau of Rehabilitation Services

Staff can provide training, job placement services and related employment supports.
1-800-698-4440, 1-888-755-0023 TTY

■ Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA)

Going to work and earning more income may impact your Social Security and other income-eligible benefits like housing and Food Stamps. From anywhere in Maine, contact a Community Work Incentives Coordinator (CWIC) for this free service at:
Maine Medical Center Department of Vocational Services
1-888-208-8700 Toll Free, 1-207-662-4900 TTY, wipa@mmc.org email
www.benefitsandworkinme.org

■ Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS)

Assistance for people with disabilities who have Social Security and are in cash payment. Services can include providing information about your rights and benefits in getting vocational, employment and other support services.
Disability Rights Center
1-800-452-1948

DHHS Local Offices

- Augusta:** 624-8090 or 1-800-452-1926, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Bangor:** 561-4100 or 1-800-432-7825, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Biddeford:** 286-2400 or 1-800-322-1919, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Calais:** 454-9000 or 1-800-622-1400, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Caribou:** 493-4000 or 1-800-432-7366, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Ellsworth:** 667-1600 or 1-800-432-7823, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Farmington:** 778-8400 or 1-800-442-6382, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Fort Kent:** 834-7700 or 1-800-432-7340, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Houlton:** 532-5000 or 1-800-432-7338, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Lewiston:** 795-4300 or 1-800-482-7517, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Machias:** 255-2000 or 1-800-432-7846, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Portland:** 822-2000 or 1-800-482-7520, TTY: 1-888-720-1925
- Rockland:** 596-4200 or 1-800-432-7802, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Sanford:** 490-5400 or 1-800-482-0790, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- Skowhegan:** 474-4800 or 1-800-452-4602, TTY: 1-800-606-0215
- South Paris:** 744-1200 or 1-888-593-9775, TTY: 1-800-606-0215



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Maine has a **MaineCare** Option for Workers with Disabilities



*This option allows
you to earn more
and still keep your
MaineCare benefits.*



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■ What is MaineCare?

MaineCare is a health insurance program for Maine people who qualify. If you have a disability, MaineCare allows you to work, save and move toward independence.

In the past, if you had a disability and worked, it was easy to earn too much and lose your health benefits. Now, the rules have changed.

■ What are the MaineCare Benefits?

MaineCare will pay for services like:

- Hospital care
- Doctor visits
- Medications
- Substance abuse services
- Private duty nursing and personal care services
- Physical and occupational therapy
- Transportation to appointments for MaineCare covered services

For more information about MaineCare Benefits, call:

MaineCare Member Services
1-800-977-6740
TDD/TTY 1-800-977-6741

You may qualify for this MaineCare Option if:

1. You meet the Social Security guidelines for a disability; and
2. You have earnings, usually from a job; and
3. You meet the following financial guidelines:

If you are single:

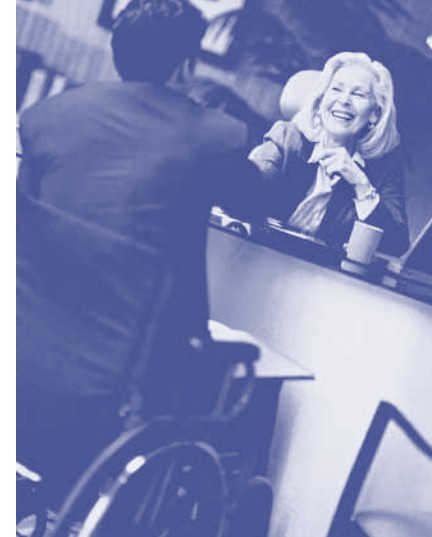
- Your monthly income from retirement, Social Security or other income that is not wages from a job must be \$903 or less after deductions. (Not all income is counted—income could be as high as \$977 a month);
- Your wages from a job, added to the income that is not from a job, must be \$2,257 or less after deductions. (Not all income is counted, so you may still be eligible.);
- And your assets are \$8,000 or less. (Not all assets are counted. For example, your home, car and up to \$8,000 in savings are not counted.)

If you are married:

- Your monthly income from retirement, Social Security or other income that is not wages from a job must be \$1,215 or less after deductions. (Not all income is counted—income could be as high as \$1,314 a month);
- Your wages from a job, added to the income that is not from a job, must be \$3,036 or less after deductions. (Not all income is counted, so you may still be eligible.);
- And your assets are \$12,000 or less. (Not all assets are counted. For example, your home, car and up to \$12,000 in savings are not counted.)

What will it cost?

There will be no cost until your income is over \$1,354 a month, if you are single. Above that, you pay \$10-\$20 a month. There is no cost if you are paying your Medicare Part B premium (\$96.40/month).



■ I have a disability and want to work or work more hours. What should I do?

- **If you do not have MaineCare**, apply by calling or visiting your local DHHS office.
- **If you have MaineCare**, talk to your eligibility worker at the Department of Health and Human Services about how working may affect your MaineCare benefits.
- **You can also contact a Community Work Incentives Coordinator (CWIC) for assistance.** See resource list for contact information.



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