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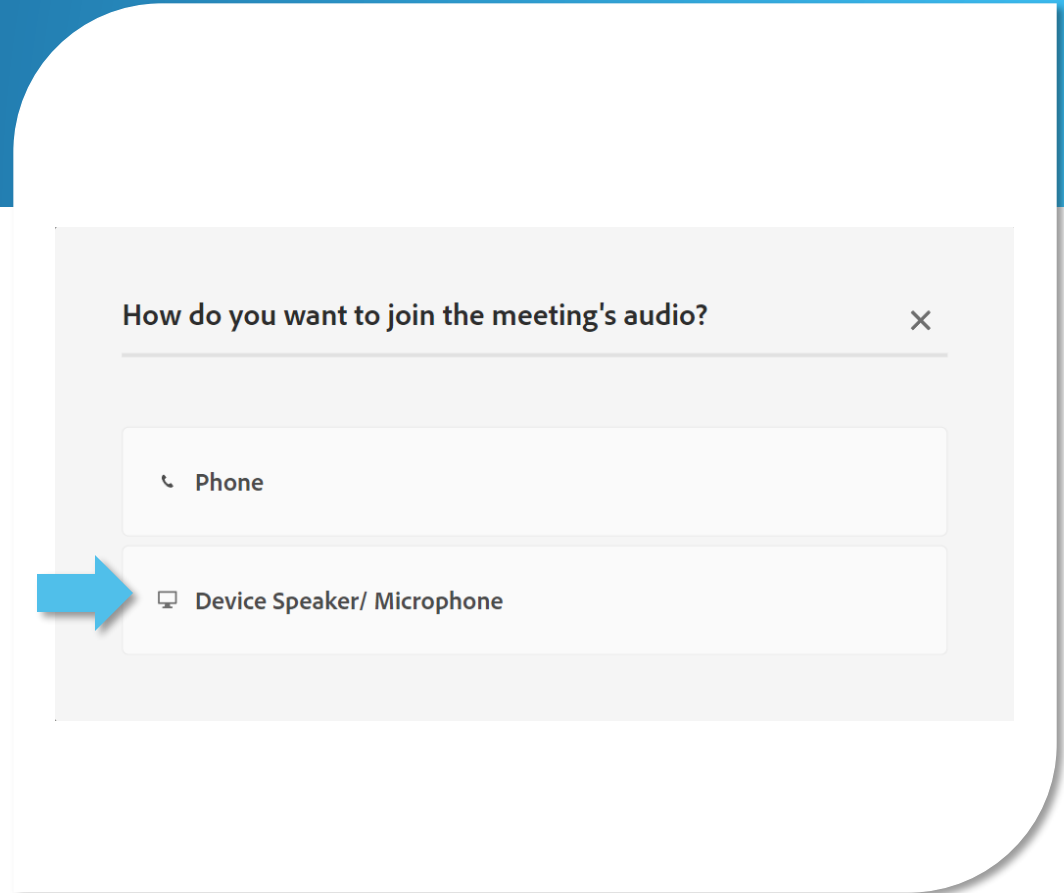
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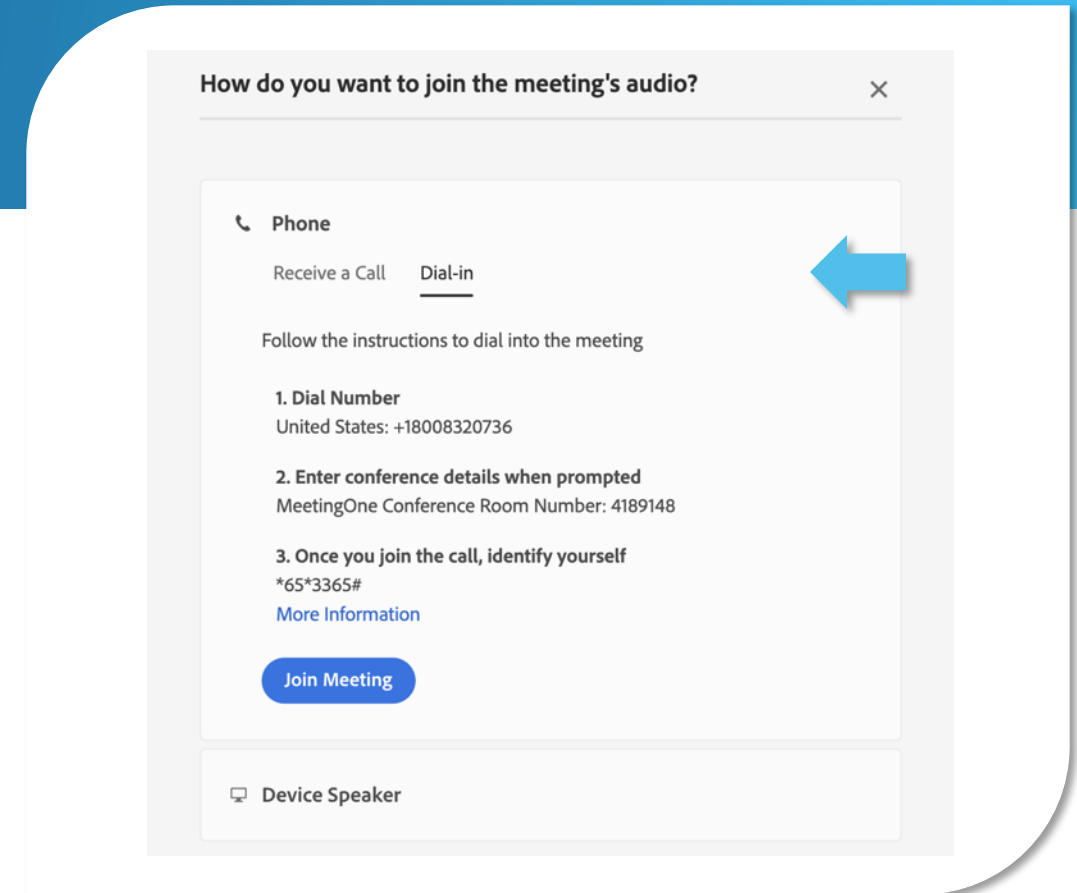
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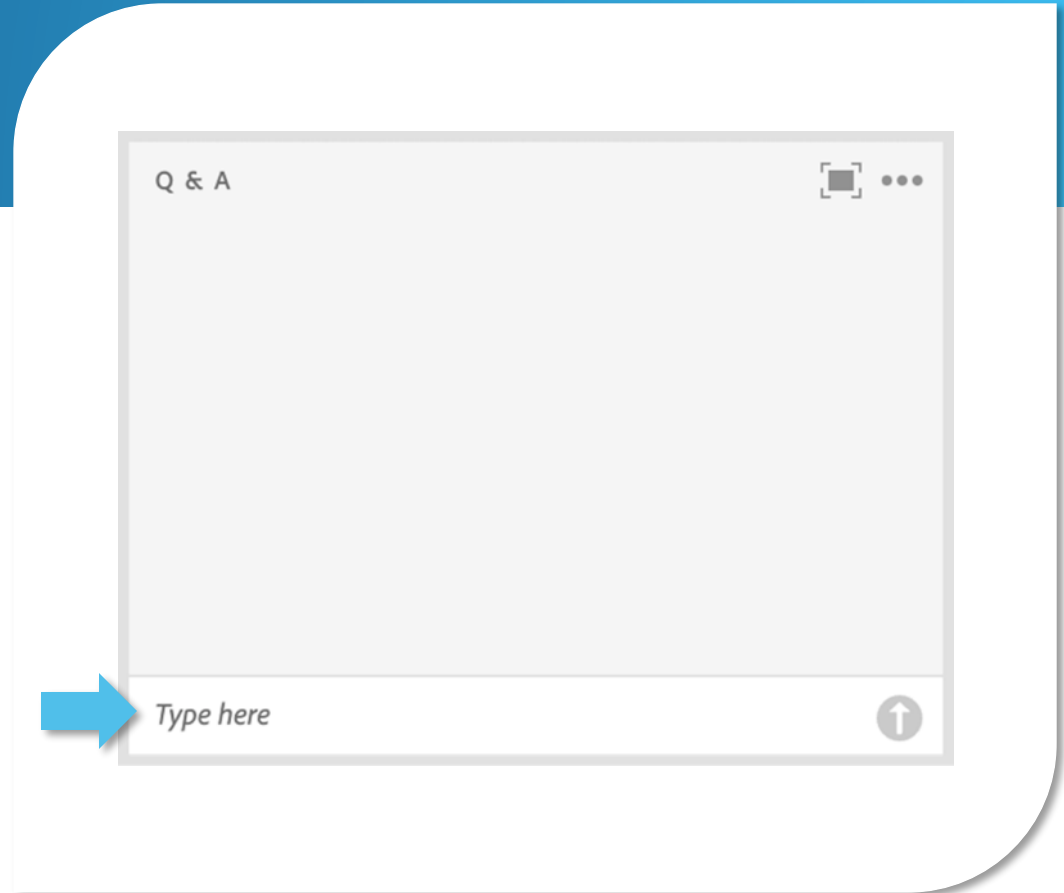


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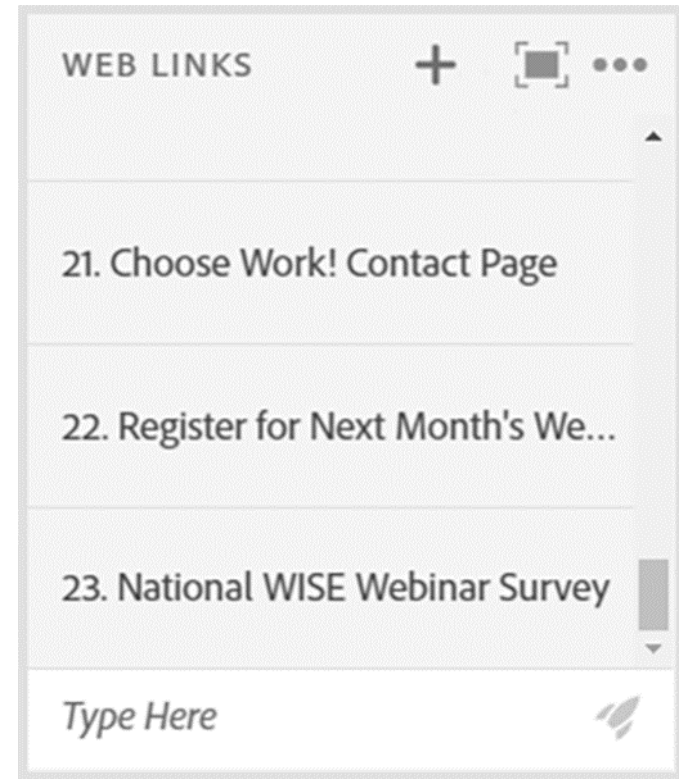


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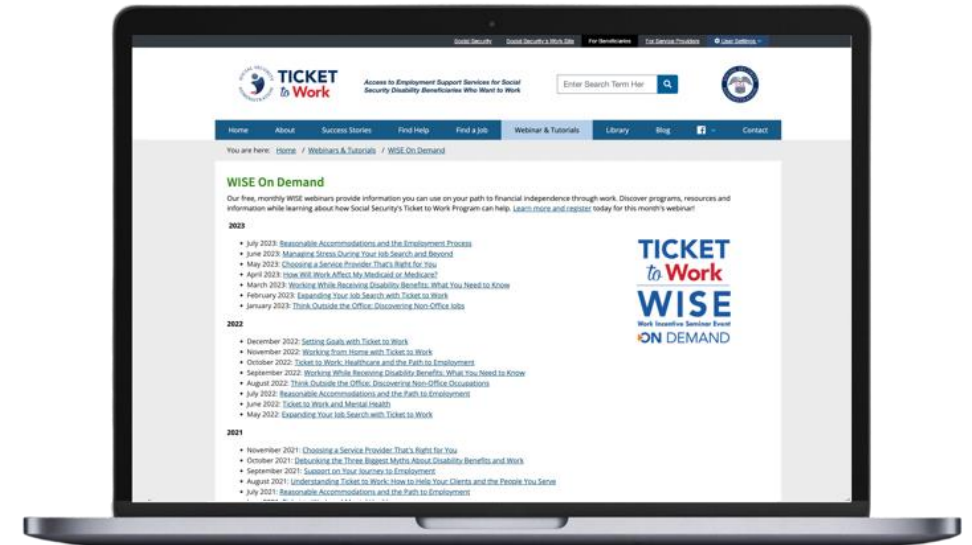
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Webinar Overview

Today, we'll help you answer questions related to:

What is Social Security's Ticket Program?

Why consider working from home?

Is a work from home job right for you?

Tips for working from home



What is Social Security's Ticket to Work Program?

What Is the Ticket to Work Program?

The Ticket to Work Program

- Is a free and voluntary Social Security program
- Offers career development for people ages 18 through 64 who receive Social Security disability benefits and want to work



Social Security Disability Programs



**Social Security
Disability
Insurance
(SSDI)**



**Supplemental
Security
Income
(SSI)**

Why Choose Work?

Earning a living through employment is not something everyone can do, but it may be right for you. Once people understand the many free services and supports available to them, they often find that the rewards far outweigh the risks.



How Can the Ticket Program Help?

The Ticket to Work Program connects you with free employment services to help you:

- Decide if work, including self employment, is right for you
- Prepare for work
- Find a paid work opportunity
- Succeed at work

Learn More:

[What is Social Security's Ticket to Work Program?](#)

[Self-Guided Tutorial](#)



Who Can Help You Achieve Your Work Goals?

As you think about returning to work and possibly changing careers you may have questions and need support.

- Connecting with a **Ticket Program service provider** can help you develop achievable goals and establish steps to find and maintain employment in your new career.
- Ticket Program service providers can even help you identify the type of career you might enjoy and any transferrable skills you may have.

Ticket Program Service Providers

Through the Ticket Program, You'll Have Access to a Variety of Ticket Program Service Providers, Including:



Employment
Networks
(EN)



State Vocational
Rehabilitation
(VR) Agencies

Employment Network (EN)

An **EN** is a private or public organization that has an agreement with Social Security to provide free employment support services to people who are eligible for the Ticket Program.

Many state public workforce systems, such as American Job Centers, are **Workforce ENs**.



How Can Working With an EN Help You?

Services and supports are designed to help you on the path to financial independence through work and may include helping you to:

- Identify your work goals
- Write and review your resume
- Prepare for interviews
- Request reasonable accommodations
- Receive benefits counseling



State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Agency

A **State VR agency** provides a wide variety of services to help people with disabilities return to work, enter new lines of work or enter the workforce for the first time. A State VR agency may offer benefits counseling and may also be able to help you with:

- Vocational rehabilitation
- Training and education



Some states have separate VR agencies that serve individuals who are blind or visually impaired.

How Can Working With a VR Help You?

VR agencies:

- Usually work with individuals who need more significant services.
- In some states, this includes intensive training, education and rehabilitation.
- They may also provide career counseling, job placement assistance as well as counseling about how earnings from work may affect Social Security disability benefits.



How Do You Find a Service Provider?



For a list of service providers, call the Ticket to Work Help Line at **1-866-968-7842** or **1-866-833-2967 (TTY)**, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. ET



To find a service provider online, visit the [Find Help page](#). Search by:

- ✓ ZIP code
- ✓ Services offered
- ✓ Disability type
- ✓ Languages spoken
- ✓ Provider type
(EN, Workforce EN or VR)



Ticket to Work Help Line

The Ticket to Work Program offers a toll-free Help Line to answer your questions and support you on your journey to financial independence.

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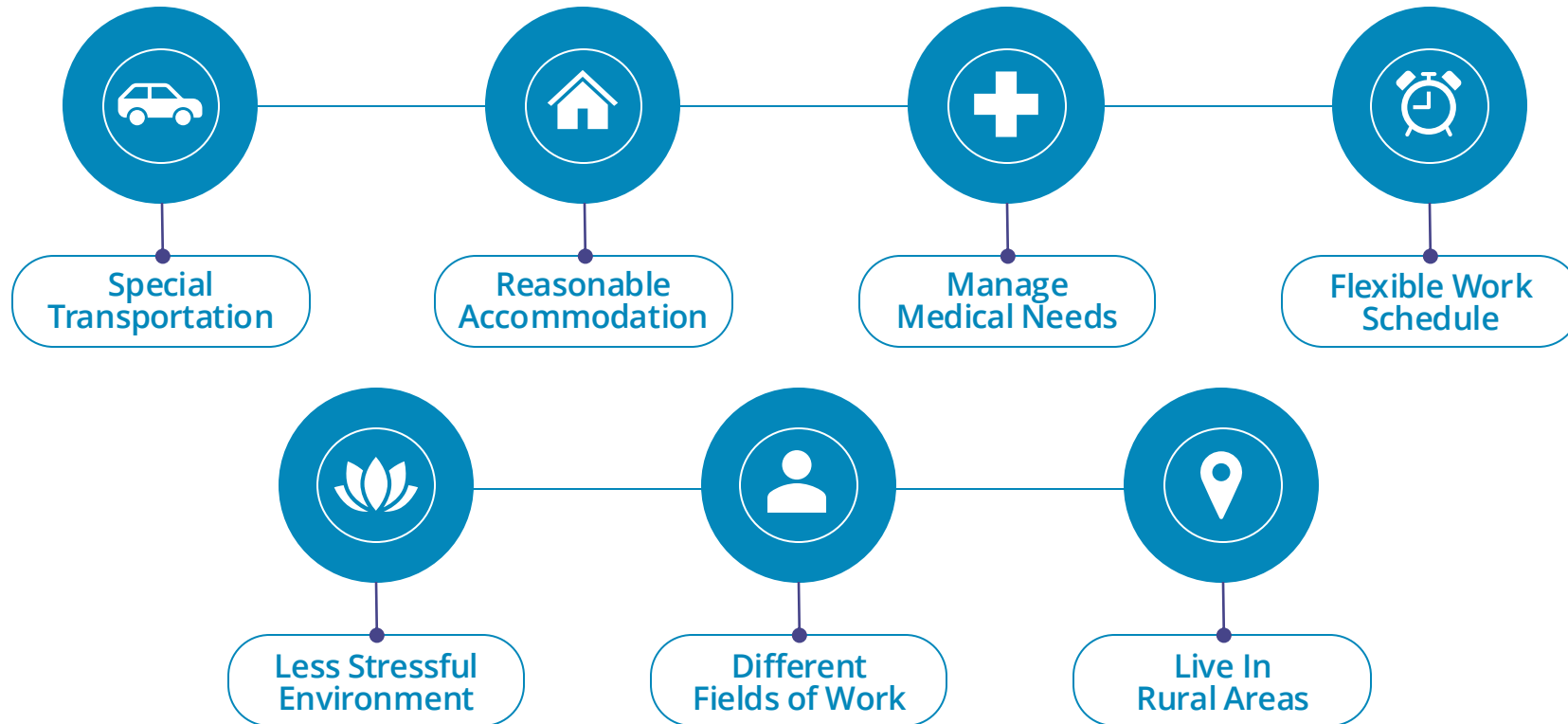
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Why Consider Working From Home?

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Pros and Cons of Working From Home

PROS

- Potential for enhanced productivity
- Save time and money on commutes and wardrobe
- Remote meetings allow more flexibility for teams of all sizes to come together easily and efficiently



CONS

- Miss social aspects of working in-person
- Difficult to separate work - home life
- Purchase of supplies for home office



What Types of Jobs are Available?

The short answer is a lot!

Many people began working from home in 2020 and many employers now recognize the benefits of a remote workplace.

If you're looking for a work from home job, you have more industries than ever to choose from.



How Many People Work From Home?

EMPLOYEE WORK LOCATION

Full-Time Remote **13%**

Hybrid **28%**

In-Person **59%**



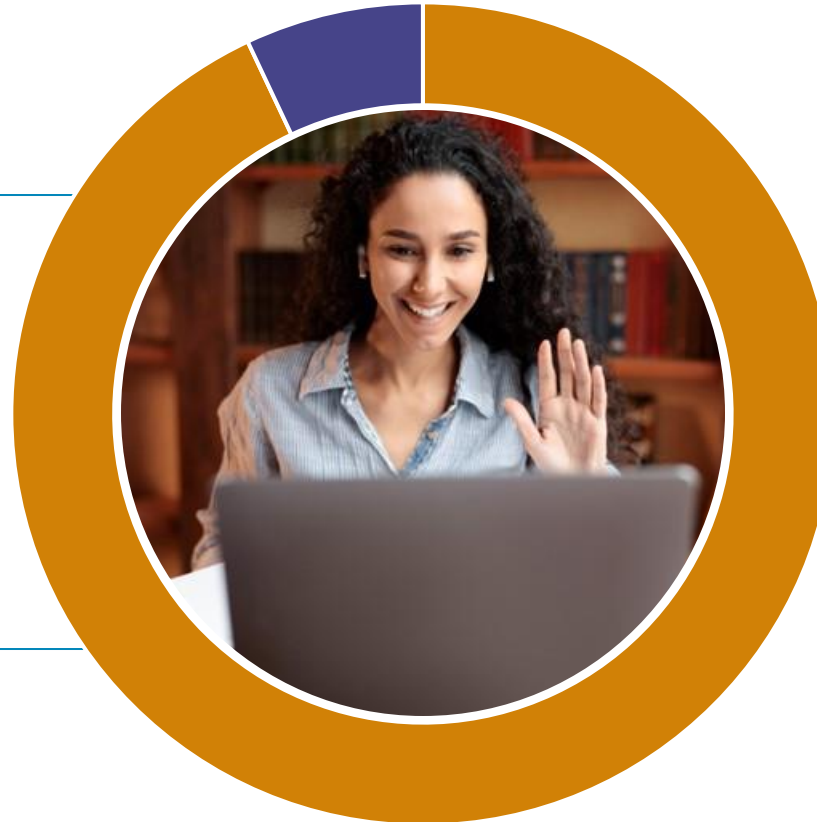
[Source: Forbes: Remote Work Statistics and Trends in 2024](#)

The Future of Job Interviews

JOB INTERVIEW LOCATION

Remote **93%**

In-Person **7%**



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Remote Companies

**16% of Companies
Operate Fully Remotely**



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Examples of Work From Home Occupations

- Teach online classes
- Conduct data entry
- Provide customer service
- Serve as a virtual nurse
- Be a virtual assistant
- Become a consultant

Source: [35 of the Best Remote Jobs to Pursue | Indeed.com](#)





**Is a Work From Home Job
Right for You?**

Work From Home Considerations

Work from home positions may include:

- Availability to work a set schedule
- Home office space free of noise and distractions
- High-speed, reliable internet access
- Computer navigation skills
- Clear speaking/phone voice (a headset)
- Live in a certain state or country



Work From Home Skills

- Skills that are useful when working from home include:
- Time management
- Written communication
- Motivation
- Organization
- Flexibility
- Soft skills knowledge can improve these areas. Your Ticket Program service provider can help.



Prepare for the Job Search

Before you begin looking for a work from home job, take some time to update your resume.

- Think back to your work experience (paid or volunteer), training or education
- Take an inventory of the all the skills you have, including field-specific training or certificates
- Use these skills to help you find jobs that are a good fit for you
- Notify your references so they know you are looking for work
- Practice video interview skills



Be Cautious

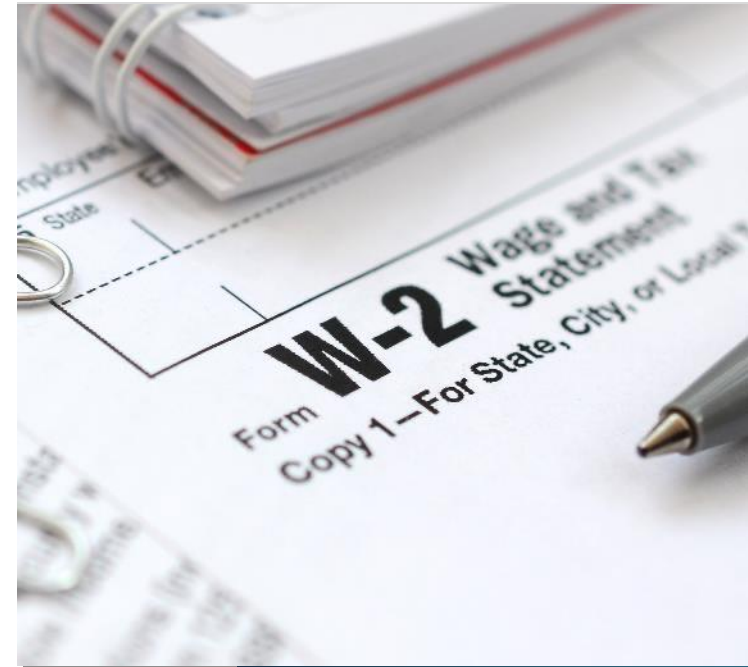
Not all work from home opportunities are legitimate. Red flags may include:

- Promising high income for little work
- Providing an unclear or vague description of the job
- Short or no interview process
- Charging applicants fees to apply for the job or to do the job after you have been hired
- The company having been in business for a short time



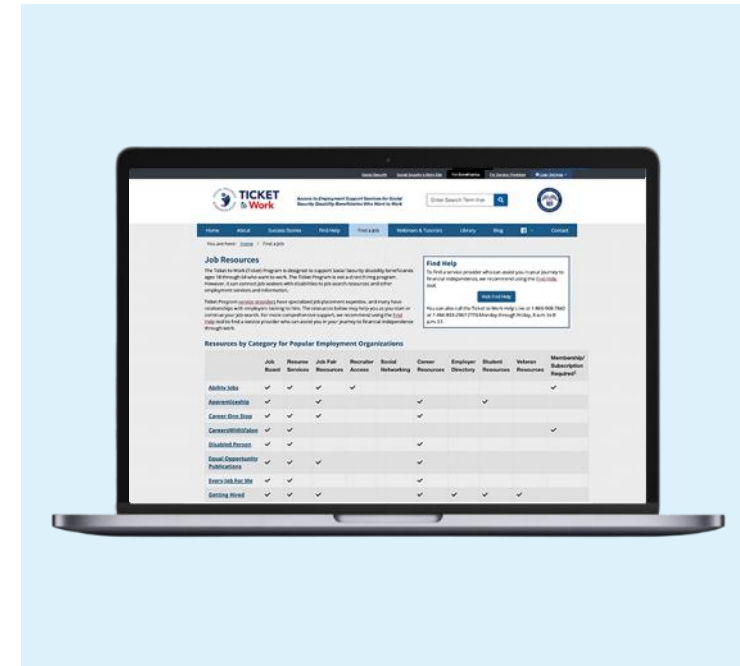
Understand Your Taxes

- Before you accept any employment opportunity, make sure you understand the tax consequences.
- Some job opportunities may not withhold taxes.
- W2 – Taxes are withheld.
- 1099 – Taxes are not withheld and are your responsibility to pay.



Need Help Finding a Job?

- Check out our [Find a Job](#) page!
 - Resources and information about employment organizations including those that specifically serve people with disabilities
- Get started on your job search:
 - Connect with a Ticket Program [service provider](#)





Lori's Tips For Working From Home


Success Story: Meet Lori



Lori's Story

Anxiety made it difficult for Lori to build a career; but with the help of the Ticket program, Lori can now work comfortably from home with a job in Public Relations/Marketing for Employment Options. She has more than a job; Lori found a career she's passionate about!



 Making my own money again is freeing. I want to do whatever I can to help others understand and learn about this great program.

[Lori's Success Story](#)

TIP 1: Work From a Defined Workspace

- Dedicate a work-only workspace
 - Not enough space? Set up desk or table for work only.
- Benefits:
 - Helps you focus on work.
 - Assists you to leave work “at the office”.
- What if you don’t have the equipment you need?
 - You can work with a Ticket to Work [service provider](#).



TIP 2: Create a Morning Routine

- Morning routine = prepared and productive day
 - Set an alarm.
 - Have a consistent wake up time.
 - Get ready for work.



TIP 3: Establish a Firm Line Between Work and Home

- Maintain boundaries between work and home.
 - Shut the office door at the end of the day.
 - Close your computer when finished working.
 - Set a schedule.
 - Write down your work hours.



TIP 4: Stay Connected

- It's important to maintain connection with others.
- Working from home can feel isolating.
- Here are some tips that could help:
 - Take advantage of videoconferencing with coworkers.
 - Meet up with a neighbor on your lunch break.
 - Connect with colleagues through email or your company's online chatting system.
 - Have dinner or a video call with family after work.



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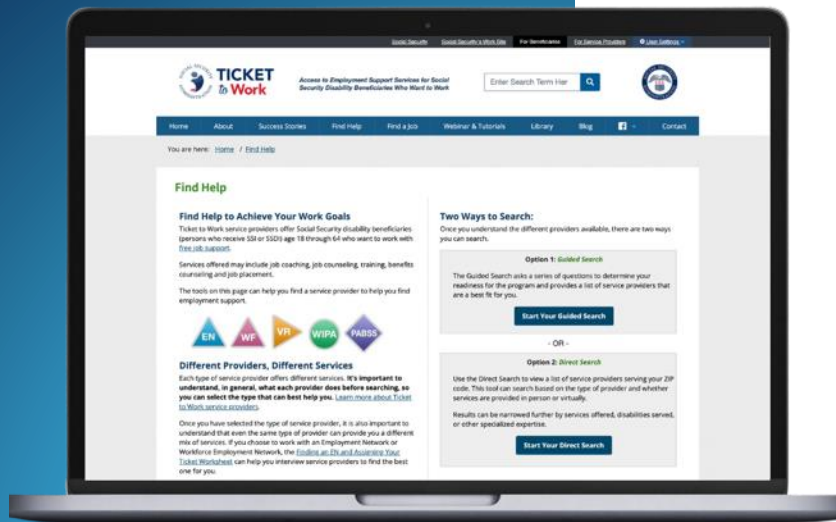
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