# SLOPE Cares

#### STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO MEDICAID'S

### SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME



Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for Children offers monthly cash payments designed to assist with basic needs for children who have physical or mental disabilities or are blind. Families with limited income may be eligible for this support. Once approved, children also receive prompt access to Medicaid benefits.

#### **Eligibility**

Children under 18 may qualify for SSI if they meet Social Security's disability criteria, which requires a serious physical or mental condition that limits activities significantly and is expected to last at least one year or result in death, alongside limited <a href="https://example.com/household/mcome">household/mcome</a> and resources.

#### **Important Links**

- Child Disability Starter Kit (check list)
- Download Child Disability Report
- Complete Disability Report Online
- Need to know Fact Sheet
- Be Prepared Optional Worksheet



## HOW TO APPLY



Please call the SSA at 1-800-772-1213 (press 7 for Spanish) to apply for a call. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, please contact TTY at 1-800-325-0778 or click here to request a call. I



To apply online, please fill out the Child Disability Report. This process takes approximately an hour and collects details regarding the child's disabling condition and its effects on their daily functioning.



Once you submit your report, expect to receive a call within 3 to 5 business days. This call will be dedicated to reviewing the Child Disability Report and discussing the household's income and resource constraints.



#### **Need to Know**

- The SSA will inform you of a child's SSI disability claim decision within 6 to 8 months, and they may contact you for additional questions. If your address or phone number changes, be sure to notify your local SSA office.
- Always file an appeal if you disagree with a denial!



#### **Helpful Tips**

- Do not discard mail from SSA.
- Submit all financial documents to avoid repaying overpayments.
- Always submit monthly paystubs to your local office.
- Contact local office staff directly instead of relying on case managers
- Please view Important Links on previous page for check list and more!

Need Assistance, reach out





