

**WORKING INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES**  
**AGENCY RESOURCES and LIST OF WESTERN CONTACTS**

**Western –  
Developmental Disabilities Services Office**  
1200 East & West Road  
West Seneca, NY 14224

**Supported Employment & Enhanced Supported  
Employment Coordinator:**  
Patty Tedesco  
(716) 517-2309 Phone  
(716) 517-3779 Fax

**Employment Training Program:**  
Mary Pritchard (716) 517-2346

**Consolidated Supports and Services (CSS)**  
Stephanie McLean-Beathley  
(716) 517-3532 Phone

**Western –  
Revenue Support Field Office**  
Office Manager:  
Peter Williams  
(716) 675-8666 Phone  
(716) 675-8919 Fax

**Social Security Administration  
Work Incentives Liaisons**  
(city specific representatives provided in separate listing)

**Area 3 Work Incentives Liaisons**  
Covering Upstate NY:  
Anne Piersa, AWIC  
1900 Ridge Road, Suite 120  
West Seneca, NY 14224  
Phone: (716) 675-9590 ext. 208  
  
Website: [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

**New York State Medicaid Helpline:**  
(518) 486-9057

MA Local District Contact information:  
[www.health.state.ny.us/health\\_care/medicaid/ldss.htm](http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/ldss.htm)

**Adult Career and Continuing Education Services-  
Vocational Rehabilitation (ACCES-VR)**  
To view ACCES-VR District Offices listed by County:  
[www.acces.nysed.gov/vr/do/locationsbyname.htm](http://www.acces.nysed.gov/vr/do/locationsbyname.htm)

**Parent to Parent of New York State  
Western Region**  
1200 East & West Road  
Building 16, Room 1-131  
West Seneca, New York 14224  
Phone: 716-517-3448

Website:  
<http://www.parenttoparentnys.org/Regional/western.htm>

**Self-Advocacy Association of NYS**  
Western Region  
(845) 242-7031 Phone  
Website: <http://regions.sanys.org/Western.htm>

**Western New York Independent Living**  
3108 Main Street  
Buffalo, NY 14214  
(716) 836-0822 Phone & TTY

Website: <http://www.wnyil.org/>

**Niagara Frontier Center for Independent Living, Inc.**  
1522 Main Street  
Niagara Falls, N.Y. 14305  
(716) 284-2452 Phone & TTY

**Genesee Region Independent Living Center**  
61 Swan Street  
Batavia, N.Y. 14020  
(716) 343-4524 Phone & TTY

**Southwestern Independent Living Center, Inc.**  
843 N. Main Street  
Jamestown, N.Y. 14701  
(716) 661-3010 Phone  
(716) 661-3012 TTY

**New York Association on Independent Living**  
One Commerce Plaza  
99 Washington Ave  
Suite 806A  
Albany, NY 12210  
(518) 465-4650 Phone  
(518) 465-4625 Fax

Website: <http://www.ilny.org/index.asp>

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### **NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)**

<http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/>

#### **Center for Employment Excellence:**

<http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/cee/index.jsp>

#### **Employment Mythbusters:**

[http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/document/image/myths\\_about\\_DD\\_employment\\_layout.pdf](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/document/image/myths_about_DD_employment_layout.pdf)

#### **Employer Resource Website:**

<http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/ef/index.php>

#### **OPWDD Eligibility Resources**

[http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/hp\\_eligibility\\_index.jsp](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/hp_eligibility_index.jsp)

#### **New and Publications:**

OPWDD Benefit-Related Information

<http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/wt/publications/msc/index.jsp>

#### **Medicaid Coverage Chart – Description of different coverage types**

[http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/images/hp\\_medicaidcoveragechart.pdf](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/images/hp_medicaidcoveragechart.pdf)

#### **Benefit Development Resource Guide:**

Comprehensive Information on managing benefits for individuals with developmental disabilities

[http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/wt/publications/msc/images/wt\\_benefit\\_resourceguide.pdf](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/wt/publications/msc/images/wt_benefit_resourceguide.pdf)

### **NY Makes Work Pay**

#### **Cornell:**

<http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/edi/nymakesworkpay/index.cfm>

#### **Certified Benefits Counselors Locator:**

<http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/edi/nymakesworkpay/rny-benefits.cfm>

#### **Burton Blatt Institute:**

<http://bbi.syr.edu/projects/mig/>

### **NYS Department of Labor (DOL)**

#### **One-Stop Locations:**

<http://www.labor.ny.gov/workforcenypartners/osview.asp>

#### **DOL Employment Programs for People with Disabilities:**

[http://www.labor.ny.gov/workforcenypartners/DPN\\_DEI.shtm](http://www.labor.ny.gov/workforcenypartners/DPN_DEI.shtm)

#### **Job Zone:**

<https://www.nycareerzone.org/jobseeker/login.do?url=%2Fjobseeker%2Fportfolio%2Findex.jsp>

#### **Career Zone:**

<http://www.nycareerzone.org/>

### **Social Security Administration (SSA)**

[www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

#### **The Red Book – all things related to SSA benefits and working**

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov/redbook/eng/introduction.htm>

#### **What you need to know when you get Social Security Disability Benefits:**

<http://www.ssa.gov/pubs/10153.pdf>

#### **What You Need To Know When You Get Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**

<http://www.ssa.gov/pubs/11011.pdf>

#### **SSI Benefit Levels Chart:**

Effective January 1, 2011

<http://otda.ny.gov/main/policy/directives/2010/INF/10-INF-23-Attachment-1.pdf>

#### **2011 Social Security Changes - COLA**

<http://www.ssa.gov/pressoffice/factsheets/colafacts2011.htm>

#### **SSA explanation and income levels chart:**

<http://www.ssa.gov/OACT/COLA/sga.html>

### **NYS Department of Health (DOH)**

[http://www.health.state.ny.us/health\\_care/medicaid/](http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/)

#### **Medicaid Buy-In Program for Working People with Disabilities**

[http://www.health.state.ny.us/health\\_care/medicaid/program/buy\\_in/index.htm](http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/program/buy_in/index.htm)

#### **OPWDD Home and Community Based Services Waiver**

[http://www.health.state.ny.us/health\\_care/medicaid/program/longterm/omrdd.htm](http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/program/longterm/omrdd.htm)