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Welcome everybody,

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I'm really excited about today's topic and I am really excited to see such a high interest in learning more about,

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our newest employment service benefits planning so to get us started,

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We always like to start off kind of finding out who's all in the audience so real quick. We have a quick poll. We want to know what your role is. Are you a support coordinator?

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A service provider maybe a regional office employee. Maybe you work for 1 of the other state offices, maybe your family member or individual, or maybe some other role. So cap real quickly.

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You guys got about a minute to let us know.

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Or, actually, it looks like 18 seconds. You got about 10 seconds left.

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Let us know what your role.

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And it looks like time is already up, um.

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Cat, are you able to pull up the results yet?

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Hey, it looks like the bulk of us that had answered, uh, answered support, uh.

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I'm glad you're interested in learning more about this new service.

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So, if you were with me in, may.

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Um, this might look very familiar so in May we were talking we did an overview of all of our.

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Deployment services, so this graphic is probably going to look very familiar to you if you participated in our may champion of employment webinar. So.

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You think a back for the past? Um, oh.

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5 years, at least actually, it's been more than 5 years. Uh, but, uh, for at least the last 5 years.

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And a little bit longer, we've had a service to to address.

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The support a person needs no matter where they are.

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In that process of going to work that work cycle. So, whether it was, they were just trying to figure out.

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What would make a good job match? What jobs they were interested in what.

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What their next steps need to be, or they need to go develop those universal workplace behavior so that they would be more successful in that employment.

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They needed help with actually getting that job, or they needed help just to.

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Learn and maintain that job. So we've had a service to address.

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The support 1 may need no matter where they're at in that.

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Cycle of working the newest service the benefits planning.

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Really kind of touches all of those.

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Phases a person who can go through so you think about it when someone is trying to figure out what might make a good job match, what kind of job they would be interested based in based on their interest and abilities.

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They might have questions about okay, well, I've got to maintain some government benefits, or, you know, I can't jeopardize my Medicaid. Uh, what.

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How much am I going to be able to work and earned.

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And, and still maintain those Medicaid benefits.

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So, uh, somebody might be meeting.

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A little bit of benefits planning along with some career planning to kind of figure out.

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What's going to be that good balance of.

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Earnings and working and maintaining the benefits, um, especially, you know, even when they're getting the job, they, they might need some assistance there.

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You know, hey, is this job, you know, what is what's being offered, going to align with.

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What what I've identified as my.

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My balance, and, of course, when somebody's working, you know, we know that people get offered raises or they get offered increase in hours. So there can be questions of hey, can I do this? How does this work.

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So today's topic we really want to focus on the newest.

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Of our services, the benefits planning and when do we leave here? Uh, I hope that you will be able to have a better idea of who would benefit from this service and how to request this.

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So, to kind of get a started here, I have a question for, you.

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I want to know if there is specific information you want to get out of today's webinar so real quick. Let me know in the chat box.

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What specific information do you want to get out of today? So when you leave 230, what do you hope to have answered?

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And I will warn you, I'm not afraid of silence. I'll wait until I get 1 response in the chat box.

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Here we go. Okay so some of the things I'm hearing qualifying requirements for social security and disabilities.

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So, um, probably won't be able to answer that question, but you can definitely reach out to me and I can provide you that.

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Assistants outside of this webinar, um, um.

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No, if clients can come before, starting to look for a job, so they know the guidelines. So, Cheryl, I definitely hope to answer that question today. Uh, what has to be in the support plan to get the request approved yes, we're gonna definitely cover that.

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And Canada, TC, entity provide this service. So.

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We didn't really specifically address that.

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In this, um, webinar.

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But Theresa, what I could tell you through a waiver funding, if a TCM provider is providing that service, they would have to adhere to, um, conflict, free case management. So, basically, if we're funding.

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Um, benefits planning and the TC, and provider is the provider of choice.

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Then that person would have to be, um, receiving case management from.

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A different entity other than that entity. So we do have to adhere to, um.

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Conflict free case management.

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So, how many hours can I work before it affects their benefits again? We're probably not going to address that, but that's something that can be addressed under the benefits planning service. And I see there's still some coming in.

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So, um, I want to.

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Move on, so we don't get.

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Don't lose any valuable time here, but still keep them coming and I'm going to try and make sure that we do address all of your questions.

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So, what is benefits planning? This is a brand new service.

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Um, it's designed to inform an individual about competitive integrated employment and to assist them to assess if it will result in increased economic self sufficiency or.

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Financial benefits so, um.

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Kind of when we're, we're wondering, hey, can somebody utilize the service to kind of figure out, um, how much they can earn.

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And still maintain those benefits, or, um.

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You know, how, how can they be more self sufficient? So how can they utilize those.

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Uh, work incentives to be more self sufficient and not have to rely on that government cash.

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Benefit so that's some of what benefits planning is going to provide.

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So, in a nutshell, what we're trying to achieve here is, you're wanting to help people make that informed decision about how much they can work earned.

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And provide that assistance that they may need to utilize work incentives to become more.

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Self sufficient, so that's what we're trying to achieve with this service.

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So, what kinds of things can benefits planning do so.

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It's going to provide information about those rules.

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Um, that 1 has to adhere to when they're getting.

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Um, supplemental security income, or social security, disability insurance, or if they're getting, um.

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What's called disabled adult child benefit? Um, some benefit specialist will refer to it as childhood disability benefit. Basically, they're drawing on a parent's social security benefit record.

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So, and, um.

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I suspect that we will probably see,

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some individuals that might be drawing what we call disabled widower benefits as we see more individuals with disabilities kind of exercising their rights to,

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to get married to.

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To have those types of relationships, uh, we're probably going to see some individuals with disabled widow's benefits. So, um.

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The benefits planning will help them. Understand what are the rules? Why are they receiving that service? What things do they need to adhere to uh, when receiving those services.

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How does work affect those benefits? What work? Incentives are available.

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To those benefits, um.

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Kind of again, kind of helping an individual to see what their options are.

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Uh, that way, they can make that informed decision. It's also going to be talking about Medicaid, Medicare, housing, subsidies, able accounts how all of that kind of plays into.

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Gather some of the topics that they might be talking about kind of helping an individual understand the reporting requirements. How do I report my work income? When do I need report my work income?

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If somebody decides that they want to do a pass plan, a plan for achieving self sufficiency, or they want to do what's called a pest plan properties Central.

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To self support under benefits, planning.

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That service would provide them the assistance with creating that.

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That plan getting it approved and kind of making sure they're, they're sticking to it. Um.

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There's a number of social security work incentives that are.

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Available, uh, so for individuals that want to be more self sufficient, they might need a little bit of assistance, kind of navigating those waters of how they use those work incentives when they use those work incentives.

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Um, and maximizing.

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Um, the use of those work incentives, so, again, um, under the benefits planning service.

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That's the type of assistance that can be provided under that service. Um, also with the service, there's probably going to be some verification benefit verification. So, um, the benefits specialist is.

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Going to want to make sure that this is the type of benefit that person's receiving uh, they might want to coordinate with Social Security to make sure that they act the information that they're going to share with that person is accurate and true.

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And I noticed the chat box kind of died down. So if you guys do have questions, still keep them going.

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So who can benefit from benefits planning so, the benefits planning service is available for individuals who are considering worth thinking about employment and trying to figure out.

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You know, um, do I want to pursue employment? You know.

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What's that? Look like for me? So somebody who's considering, um.

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That that employment who's contemplating.

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Uh, the potential of being employed, uh, somebody who's actually seeking employment.

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Uh, could be somebody who is, um.

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Either considering advancing in their career or.

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They're, um, they've been offered.

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An opportunity to advance it can also be for individuals who just need support with managing.

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That work and benefits while employed. So, as I mentioned earlier, you know, some individuals, they're gonna have questions.

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They've been employed, you know, now they're getting offered a pay, raise, or, um, there's the option to increase ours and they're just wanting to to see what their options are.

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What that would look like, what, what kind of effect that would have on their benefits. And maybe how they can utilize the work incentives to.

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To do that if they wanted to who it's not for.

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Um, it's not for people who aren't even.

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Contemplating work who aren't even seeking employment or who aren't even working at all. So, um, if somebody's not interested in employment at all.

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They most likely would not make a good fit.

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For this service, um, so I know sometimes I would get asked questions from people about, um.

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Medicaid spend down. Were they working? Nope.

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Had no interest in working they just were they had questions about the Medicaid spend down that would not be inappropriate use of our benefits planning service.

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It's not for somebody to simply report their monthly earnings to Social Security or family support division.

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So, in our waiver renewal, that is something we have included in with our support employment service. So, for if that's the only support, somebody needs.

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Is help in, uh, reporting their monthly earnings.

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That's something that can be done under supported employment.

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All right, so simply put.

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We want to kind of keep this simple.

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Who would make a good candidate? Somebody who's interested in exploring work.

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Are participating in Pre vocational services. So, the key there is that the person.

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Doesn't have a specific job that they are actively taking steps, um, to pursue. So they.

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Aren't doing any kind of job seeking activities they have not identified.

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What kind of a job they're they're interested in this could also be.

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Taking, um, a hard skill training course. So, um.

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Taking college courses, or, um, participating in a training program through, um.

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Department of higher education and workforce development or community college trade school.

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So,

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things that come to mind,

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you know,

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I think of individuals that may be,

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participating in a,

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in a coding class launch code because they're interested in getting into,

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individuals who might be.

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You know, taking, um, autobody classes, because, you know, they want to
get into that mechanics that auto body. Uh, so.

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If an individual is either completing job seeking activities.

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Or they're participating in a training for a specific job afterwards.
Those individuals are probably going to be better suited through the
whip.

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Provider so, for our funding for DMs funding, we're looking at
individuals who would not be eligible for whip. So, um, or would not be.

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Able to access with us services. So, again, uh, looking for somebody who doesn't quite have that specific job goal yet they haven't identified it yet, but they're interested in kind of figuring it out looking at it.

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Um.

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So someone who has Medicaid, but not a cash benefit, so they might not have, or they may not have a parent's benefit.

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But they have Medicaid key here is they must be interested in exploring work.

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Seeking work, or currently working, or considering an advancement and I see in the chat box, there's a question about and I apologize. So with a stands for work incentive.

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Planning assistance, um, so in Missouri we have 2 providers.

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And Missouri, Missouri, protection and advocacy, those are the 2 whip of providers in Missouri. So, uh, basically.

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Under our service definitions, we've basically said that individuals who are.

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Are able to access should be utilizing with for the benefits planning.

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So, that kind of leads us to the next thing. So what, if somebody doesn't meet that criteria that I just mentioned they, they have social security benefits. They're currently seeking a job.

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They, they know exactly what kind of job they want or maybe they're working. We want to make sure that we're referring them to that work and sense of planning assistance program.

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So there's the with the hotline and that's the route for referring people.

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So, we would make sure that that person.

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Contacted that number and did that referral um.

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For individuals who might need assistance, you can help them through that. So you can do like a, um.

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Have them involved in that phone call, or are calling together.

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To make that referral to that with a provider.

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So limits of our benefits planning service.

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So,

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it can only be provided if a Missouri based social security work,

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incentive,

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planning and assistance program were sought,

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and services were not available,

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or applicable,

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due to either in eligibility or because waitlist that would result in
services not being available within the 30 day calendar.

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30 calendar days. Excuse me? Um, the must document that the whip of
services were not accessible, applicable.

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Or available, so.

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Um, and talking with, um.

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Our whip a providers, um, and Missouri protection and advocacy. Uh,
basically, everybody who contacts that with the hotline will receive some
amount of assistance.

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Um, now, basically, they're what they call their individualized whip
services, which are those in depth benefits analysis. That may not be
applicable to all.

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So if you go back and I'm gonna scroll back here to previous slide here.

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So, if you kind of go back to the slide and think about it, okay, if you
have somebody who is just starting to think about work.

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And maybe they're concerned about how work is going to affect their
benefit. So they're kind of like, yeah, I might be interested in work.
I'm just, I'm not sure.

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I'm just not sure yet I, I want to make sure that I'm not gonna be
jeopardizing my social security benefits or my Medicaid. Um, so you've
got somebody who's interested in employment.

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They're considering employment, but they want to make sure that it's not going to jeopardize other benefits.

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Because they don't have that job goal.

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Identified they're, they're not actually taking active steps to seek employment at that time.

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A, with a provider is going to be very limited in what they can provide. They're not going to be able to provide that in depth benefits playing. At the time. They might be able to provide some.

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Some information, but more than that, it's just going to be.

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Referring them on to something else. Uh, so.

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Again, if we know somebody is not going to be able to get that in depth service from that whip up provider, because.

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They're not actively taking steps to seek employment right now. They don't have that identified.

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That gives us the justification. We just need to document that in the isb. We need to state that in the, that.

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The web services would not be applicable to them. Um.

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They are limited to serving people who have assets or or so if somebody only has Medicaid and they don't have a social security cash benefit.

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We know they never replied for social security benefits.

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Again, um, that can be justification. They would not be eligible for whip of services.

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Document that in the isb, so we can request the employment.

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Um, so we can request the benefits planning, um.

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If you are uncertain, if you, you don't know.

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When in doubt go ahead and refer them on.

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So, um, again, that referral number.

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That hotline is 8 66968.

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Once they connect with that with a provider, if that with a provider prefers them back to us.

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Document that in the as yes.

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It's 7842 did I say 7? 402.

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Something like that. I apologize. Okay. Thank you for. Correcting me. 8.
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Thank you cat. Ah, so.

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Again, if you if you assist a person to.

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Referred to that, you know, to make that hotline, um, call to and then that with a provider refers them back to us document that in the DSP.

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To show that, hey, they did try to access.

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It's unavailable to them. All right.

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Real quick. I see a question about defining what a unit is. A unit is 15 minutes. Yes.

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So when we say that.

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An individual can get a maximum of 60 units per annual plan year. We are talking about 15 hours.

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So, um, I see there's a question about how to find a certified benefits planner. So we're going to get to that.

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So, um, the service is provided in 15 minute increments it has to be identified in the.

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Um, the isb is going to drive it, so, um.

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You would have to say how many how many units.

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Um, so I see, there's a question about the billing process. We don't.

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Really have it, um, in this.

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Webinar to kind of talk about the, the billing process.

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But it's pretty much like any other of our services. So, once it's approved and you've been providing it, the provider can then follow their process for billing for services.

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There's a question about a person receiving funding from.

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Can they still qualify for benefits planning service through.

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Or do they have employment services?

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Funded by DMA and I'm way I'm understanding that is.

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Can they be fun? It supports and access.

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Benefits planning through, um, waiver funding or do they have to be utilizing waiver? Funded employment supports in order to access.

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Benefits planning as well, um, per our service definitions, as I understand them, there's, there's nothing stating that they have to be accessing our employment services.

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Our other waver funded employment supports to be accessing benefits planning. So.

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Could somebody be using for employment supports? Yes. Could somebody not be using any supports for employment?

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Yes, um, again with the isb, we just have to document why the benefits planning is needed and, um, address the availability of with.

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Um, there's a question about.

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Exception for the conflict free case management.

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My understanding is no, um.

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See.

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Hello.

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So, who can provide this service kind of and I think.

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Um, there was a few questions in the chat box that I didn't read off that specifically have to do with this.

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So we are looking for individuals who work for agencies that have 1 of 3 credentials.

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They're either going to be a certified community work incentive counselor.

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A community partner work incentive counselor.

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Or a work incentive practitioner.

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There are currently only 2.

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Ways to achieve to.

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Get these certifications so, uh, the 1st, 2, the certified community work incentive counselor and the community partner work. Incentive.

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Counselors are credentials that Virginia Commonwealth University uses.

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So, individuals would have had to go through Virginia Commonwealth to get 1 of those 2 credentials. The work incentive practitioner credential.

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Is the 1 that Cornell University uses?

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So, um, the process for service providers.

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If they're interested in providing this employment service, 1st, they have to have somebody on staff who has.

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1 of these 3 credentials, so they either have to go hire somebody who has a certified work incentive counselor.

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Credential community partner, work and sensitive counselor credential or work incentive, practitioner credential, or they have to help a staff person.

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Access the training the division currently we are trying to help service providers, access Cornell.

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Uh, work incentive, practitioner credential program in the hopes that.

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You know, that will help more service providers, be able to offer.

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This service, so, um, if a service provider.

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Has somebody with this credential and they want to.

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Add this to their.

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Their contracted services that they can provide, they need to reach out to either their vendors service coordinator.

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Or our provider relations rate and enrollment team. So.

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The right enrollment team, so if they go through the vendor service query, the vendor service coordinator is most likely going to connect them with the rate and enrollment team. If they reach out directly to the right. Enrollment team that rate enrollment team is probably going to come back with.

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We need proof of you meeting the, the training requirements of you having the credentials.

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So, I can tell you right now, we are still waiting.

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A, a code from Mo, health net CMS so we don't yet have that code to actually add that service to people's contracts.

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So, if you go look and see more to see if if an agency you work with, has the ability to provide, um.

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Benefits planning, you're not going to see it yet.

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But we are very hopeful that in the near future, we are going to have this code, and we are going to get, uh, service providers.

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um on board with providing the service i can tell you right now we have a number of service providers currently going through

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Car now, universities, um, work, incentive, practitioner, coordinate, um.

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Credential program right now so.

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We are getting service providers connected to that training so that they can take it so that they can't offer and I'm still getting calls from service providers with continued interest. So, um, this course is offered 3 times a year.

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So we continue to try to educate service providers about this opportunity so that we can continue to get more service providers connected to that training.

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To be able to provide that service. So how do you find out which providers have it in your area?

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So, those providers with that.

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Community work, incentive, counselor or that community partner work incentive counselor.

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Or work, incentive, practitioner credential on staff at that agency, and offering that benefits planning service through our waiver funded supports, are going to be listed in Seymour.

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Um, so if you're not familiar with data Central.

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And how to, um.

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Run report here are some quick instructions, so you're going to go visit data essentials that dot Gov.

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Data central reports, data, Central reports dot dot. Gov, you're gonna click on the plus that is just to the left of Seymour in the tree node.

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They're on the left side of your screen that's going to expand a list.

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Then you're going to click on the plus to the left of the provider directory.

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Again, that's going to expand another list and you want to click on search by service.

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That will then give you the option of saying, okay, I'm looking at this regional office.

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Um, if you want to limit it by certain providers, or you can just do all the providers.

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And then you're going to be looking at service codes.

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On that stuff so.

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I know that.

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A number of you have told me that running that report from data Central, um, isn't always that accurate.

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1, what you'll notice is only those service providers who have gone through that specifics.

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Regional office are going to show up, so, if a provider went through a different regional office, and you didn't list that regional office in that that search, they're not going to show up.

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Also, the other thing is, it's not going to show you by county. So sometimes what we see is some providers are willing to serve some counties in a regional office, but not all of the counties that that regional office touches.

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Um, so, you know, there can be some frustration you're going. Okay. You're listed as a service provider, but you're not providing the support in my county, the county that I need it. So.

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If you're familiar with our provider maps, our employment service provider maps, I am in the process of trying to update them.

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We're going to make sure that those service providers providing benefits planning are also listed.

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On these maps,

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so you,

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you should be able to see them,

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um,

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and we're going to add a a little key so that you'll know,

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okay,

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this provider is providing benefits planning,

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as opposed to all of the other employment supports.

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So just real quickly making sure I did not overlook any questions.

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Hello.

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I see there's a question about, will there be a training specifically for
benefits planners to know how, uh, supports provided should be
documented? I'm not sure about that, but I can get back to you on that.

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Um, and I see, um, somebody from our provider.

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Uh, right enrollment team is on the webinar today and provided the
contact information. So if you're a service provider and you're needing
to contact our provider rate, enrollment team is in the chat box for,
you.

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i see there's a question about certification as an individual or do you
have to work for an agency um

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With this this.

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If you're talking about the 50% reimbursement type in that the division is offering to service providers for having staff that is really intended for, um, our contracted service providers that already offer.

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At least 1 service, and it doesn't have to be an employment service, it could be a day, have provider or it could be a residential provider. Um, doesn't necessarily have to be an employment service provider, but it is intended, um.

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To help our service providers are already contracted service providers, be able to access that training, um, to have staff get trained to then be able to offer this service. Um.

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To our waiver recipients. So now let's talk about what must be included in that.

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So, as I mentioned earlier, there needs to be a statement of availability or unavailability of that work incentive, planning, assistance, program, support. Um.

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So this could be that they're ineligible, because they don't have a social security benefit. They don't have they don't have they don't have a parent.

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You know, maybe they just turned 18 and all, they've got his Medicaid, but you're talking about employment and there's questions about how much can they work and not jeopardize that Medicaid? Um.

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So, it could be that the width of support is.

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Inaccessible at this time, due to them, not having a specific job.

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So, like I mentioned earlier, it could be an individual who's considering employment they're thinking about it, they might be interested, but.

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They want to learn more about how much.

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Work can affect their benefits and and what their options are before they commit.

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To say, I'm all in, let's go find me a job. So if somebody's kind of early on in that stages of exploring work.

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Again, that that, with a provider is not going to be able to provide that in depth benefits analysis during those very early stages of contemplating.

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Work, um.

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Now, the unavailable of supports due to waitlist again, right now what I'm hearing from the whip of providers.

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They don't have a wait list. They're expected to provide some amount of support.

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Within 5, days of getting referred on from that.

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Of getting that referral, so.

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Basically, again, if that, with a provider, then refers that person back to us if they say, hey, we think you're going to be better served through, uh, dmhc benefits planning.

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You can use that as justification that, which was not available to them.

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So, like, with any other service, you need to have some kind of goal or outcome. How does that service assist that individual with achieving that outcome? What are you hoping to get from the benefits planning service?

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What are you what are you trying to achieve by utilizing that service?

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You also want to make sure that in your request in the isb, you are.

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Adhering to our service definition.

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So you want to make sure that that unit request fits within the limit. So, again, benefits planning is limited to 60 units.

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Per plan year, um, the support that you're requesting the support that you're saying that they need is allowed within the service definition.

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Again, if you remember if somebody just needs help.

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With reporting their income, or let's say they've already gotten some in depth benefits analysis. They know that for them where they're at. Right then in that moment, they're saying, hey.

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I already know I can't work more than 25 hours, but I need support with making sure I don't work more than 25 hours.

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Per week that is something that could be provided under that support and employment. So if somebody needs help with, um, making sure that they don't work too many hours and they know what that number is.

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They've already gotten some in depth guidance as to what their options are.

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And what they need to do, and they've already made that decision.

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Are they just need help with just reporting that income to Social security? That is stuff that can be provided under support and employment.

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So, again, the support needs to match the intent of the service.

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So if you go back and you think what's the intent of the service, the intent of the service is to help individuals, make an informed choice about how much they can work.

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Maintain their benefits, understand their options and utilize those work incentives if they so choose that.

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So 1 of the questions I want to know from you now, is what do you feel.

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That you need to be more comfortable with.

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Being able to request benefits planning is there something as support corners as service providers that you feel would help you feel more comfortable? What do you need.

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So go ahead and put that in a chat and I'm going to check and make sure I've covered all the questions.

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Okay, I do see something in the chat box. Okay. So training for that referral process. So, um.

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You know, good to know that you're, you're feeling like you still need some more guidance with, um, how do I, how do I make that referral?

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Um, so.

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Good suggestion, and if anyone else has any other suggestions that they would like for, for me to know, um.

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To help you guys feel more comfortable with utilizing this service.

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Please keep putting those in the chat box.

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So, quick reminder that moving forward.

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For the next 4 months.

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We're going to be focusing on each of the employment services.

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So for December, January, February, and March, I'm gonna be taking a deeper dive into each of our existing employment services covering what changes were made to them with the waiver renewals.

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Um, so that you can feel a little bit more comfortable and.

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Um, and understand those services a little bit more. So, 2nd, Wednesday of each month from 130 to 230.

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So, again, those dates are December 8.

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January 12th, February, 9th and March night and again. Um, so just like, today, we kind of focused on the benefits planning.

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So, December, 8, we are gonna take a deeper dive into 1 of the other employment services and we're just kinda keep going through each of the employment services until we've covered them all.

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Uh, all right, so when you get off, please don't forget to answer the survey questions at the end of the webinar.

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Your feedback is very useful in making sure that these webinars are worthy of your time and that you're getting the information that you need.

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So, I do look at those surveys, so please, please, please, please, uh.

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Give me your feedback and anytime you have any questions. So if I was not able to answer 1 of your questions.

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Today I know there was a couple that, um.

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I had basically indicated, please reach out to me. So.

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I know there was a question about the billing process about service.

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Providers accessing that training, um.

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So, definitely, I know there was a question about qualifying requirements for social security or so. Please reach out to me. My phone number is 60,696 1, 2, 2, 9.

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And my email is Sandy dot Kaiser and that is spelled K. E. Y.

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Thank you everyone, that's it.