

Do you have a disability?

If you have a disability, you have the same rights as others.

Please tell us if you have a disability so we can help you access human services programs and benefits.

What medical conditions may be disabilities?

A disability is a physical, sensory, or mental impairment that materially limits a major life activity.

Types of disabilities may include:

- Diseases like diabetes, epilepsy or cancer
- Learning disorders like dyslexia
- Developmental delays
- Clinical depression
- Hearing loss or low vision
- Movement restrictions like trouble with walking, reaching or grasping
- History of alcohol or drug addiction, although current illegal drug use is not a disability.

If you are asking for or are getting benefits through either a county human services agency or the Minnesota Department of Human Services, that office will let you know if you have a disability using information from you and your doctor.

What help is available?

If you have a disability, your county or the state human services agency can help you by:

- Calling you or meeting with you in another place if you are not able to come into the office
- Using a sign language interpreter

- Giving you letters and forms in other formats like computer files, audio recordings, large print or Braille
- Telling you the meaning of the information we give you
- Helping you fill out forms
- Helping you make a plan so you can work even with your disability
- Sending you to other services that may help you
- Helping you to appeal agency decisions about you if you disagree with them.

You will not have to pay extra for help. If you want help, ask your agency as soon as possible. An agency may not be able to accommodate requests made within 48 hours of need.

How does the law protect people with disabilities?

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act are federal laws, and the Minnesota Human Rights Act is a state law. Each gives individuals with disabilities the same legal rights and protections as people without disabilities, including access to public assistance benefits. You will not be denied benefits because you have a disability. Your benefits will not be stopped because of your disability. If your disability makes getting benefits hard for you, your county human services agency will help you access all of the programs that are available to you.

Civil Rights Notice

Discrimination is against the law. The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) does not discriminate on the basis of any of the following:

■ race ■ color ■ creed

■ religion

■ national origin

■ sexual orientation

■ public assistance status

■ marital status

■ disability

■ sex

political beliefs

Civil Rights Complaints

■ age

You have the right to file a discrimination complaint if you believe you were treated in a discriminatory way by a human services agency.

Contact **DHS** directly only if you have a discrimination complaint:

Civil Rights Coordinator Minnesota Department of Human Services Equal Opportunity and Access Division P.O. Box 64997 St. Paul, MN 55164-0997

651-431-3040 (voice) or use your preferred relay service

Minnesota Department of Human Rights (MDHR)

■ In Minnesota, you have the right to file a complaint with the MDHR if you believe you have been discriminated against because of any of the following:

■ race

■ color

■ creed

- sexual orientation
- national origin
- marital status

■ religion

■ public assistance status

■ disability

Contact the **MDHR** directly to file a complaint:

Minnesota Department of Human Rights Freeman Building, 625 North Robert Street St. Paul, MN 55155 651-539-1100 (voice) 800-657-3704 (toll free) 711 or 800-627-3529 (MN Relay) 651-296-9042 (fax)

Info.MDHR@state.mn.us (email)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights (OCR)

You have the right to file a complaint with the OCR, a federal agency, if you believe you have been discriminated against because of any of the following:

race

disability

■ color

■ sex

■ national origin

■ religion

■ age

Contact the **OCR** directly to file a complaint:

Director, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights

200 Independence Avenue SW, Room 509F

HHH Building

Washington, DC 20201

800-368-1019 (voice) 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint Portal: https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, religious creed, disability, age, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_ cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- 1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- 2. fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Attention. If you need free help interpreting this document, ask your worker or call the number below for your language.

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ملاحظة: إذا أردت مساعدة مجانية لترجمة هذه الوثيقة، اطلب ذلك من مشرفك أو اتصل على الرقم 0377-358-800-1.

သတိ။ ဤစာရွက်စာတမ်းအားအခမဲ့ဘာသာပြန်ပေးခြင်း အကူအညီလိုအပ်ပါက၊ သင့်လူမှုရေးအလုပ်သမား အားမေးမြန်း ခြင်းသို့ မဟုတ် 1-844-217-3563 ကိုခေါ် ဆိုပါ။

កំណត់សំគាល់ ។ បើអ្នកត្រូវការជំនួយក្នុងការបកប្រែឯកសារនេះដោយឥតគិតថ្លៃ សូមសួរអ្នកកាន់សំណុំរឿង របស់អ្នក ឬហៅទូរស័ព្ទមកលខេ 1-888-468-3787 ។

請注意,如果您需要免費協助傳譯這份文件,請告訴您的工作人員或撥打1-844-217-3564。

Attention. Si vous avez besoin d'une aide gratuite pour interpréter le présent document, demandez à votre agent chargé du traitement de cas ou appelez le 1-844-217-3548.

Thoy ua twb zoo nyeem. Yog hais tias koj xav tau kev pab txhais lus rau tsab ntaub ntawv no pub dawb, ces nug koj tus neeg lis dej num los sis hu rau 1-888-486-8377.

ဟ်သူဉ်ဟ်သးဘဉ်တက္၊ စဲနမ္၊လိဉ်ဘဉ်တ၊မၤစာၤကလီလ၊တ၊ကကျိုးထံဝဲpproxဉ်လိeta တီလံetaမီတခါအာံၤန္နeta,သံကွiဘဉ်ပှၤဂ့၊ဝီအပှၤမၤစာၤတါလာနဂ်ိုမ့တ မွ၊်ကိုးဘeta 1-844-217-3549 တက္၊

알려드립니다. 이 문서에 대한 이해를 돕기 위해 무료로 제공되는 도움을 받으시려면 담당자에게 문의하시거나 1-844-217-3565으로 연락하십시오.

ໂປຣດຊາບ. ຖ້າຫາກ ທ່ານຕ້ອງການການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອໃນການແປເອກະສານນີ້ຟຣີ, ຈົ່ງຖາມພະນັກງານກຳກັບການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ ຂອງທ່ານ ຫຼື ໂທຣໄປທີ່ 1-888-487-8251.

Hubachiisa. Dokumentiin kun tola akka siif hiikamu gargaarsa hoo feete, hojjettoota kee gaafadhu ykn afaan ati dubbattuuf bilbili 1-888-234-3798.

Внимание: если вам нужна бесплатная помощь в устном переводе данного документа, обратитесь к своему социальному работнику или позвоните по телефону 1-888-562-5877.

Digniin. Haddii aad u baahantahay caawimaad lacag-la'aan ah ee tarjumaadda qoraalkan, hawlwadeenkaaga weydiiso ama wac lambarka 1-888-547-8829.

Atención. Si desea recibir asistencia gratuita para interpretar este documento, comuníquese con su trabajador o llame al 1-888-428-3438.

Chú ý. Nếu quý vị cần được giúp đỡ dịch tài liệu này miễn phí, xin gọi nhân viên xã hội của quý vị hoặc gọi số 1-888-554-8759.





For accessible formats of this information, ask your county worker. For assistance with additional equal access to human services, contact your county's ADA coordinator. ADA4 (2-18)

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