

# NYESS Participating State Agencies

- New York State Office of Mental Health
- New York State Department of Labor
- New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services
- New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities
- New York State Commission for the Blind
- New York State Office for the Aging
- Adult Career and Continuing Education Services-Vocational Rehabilitation



NYESS assists your providers with tools to help enable you to work. New Yorkers of all abilities will be aided by NYESS.

For more Information regarding your Ticket to Work call : 1-866-YOURTICKET (1-866-968-7842) or for TTY/TDD call : 1-866-833-2967



New York Employment Services System

## My Ticket to Work Ticket Assignment Statement

I understand that by signing below, I will be using my Ticket with the NYESS System. I will continue to receive services from the service provider shown below according to the Individual Work Plan of record or an addendum. I understand that I have the right to unassign my ticket from NYESS for any reason. I acknowledge that the information given to the NYESS Provider relating to me as a ticket holder is correct, and that I do willingly agree to assign my ticket to the NYESS System.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Beneficiary Signature)

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(NYESS Representative Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Participating Service Provider)

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Date Signed

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# Assigning Your Ticket to Work with the NYESS System

Choosing An Employment Network (EN)



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## What is Ticket to Work?

Ticket to Work is an employment support program for individuals with disabilities who want to work and earn enough to become self-supporting.

The Ticket program is sponsored by the Social Security Administration. It is a voluntary program, free of charge and there is no penalty or consequence if you choose not to participate. However, if you want to work and earn a better living than you have now, then using your ticket helps increase your chances of achieving your employment goals. You are using your ticket when you sign up with an employment network, including the State vocational rehabilitation agencies ACCES-VR or NYCB to take advantage of the essential services and supports you may need in finding, obtaining and maintaining a job.

## Services from an Employment Network (EN)?

An Employment Network (EN) is an entity or group of entities, forming a contract with the Social Security Administration agreeing to assist SSA beneficiaries (ages 18-64 years), with employment, Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) and/or other disability support services under the Ticket to Work Program.

To receive services from an Employment Network, a SSA beneficiary, by choice, assigns the Ticket to a selected EN. If the EN accepts the Ticket, services can be coordinated and delivered to help the individual locate and maintain employment. Note: If you receive a disability related Social Security benefit, you probably qualify to take part in the Ticket program. You do not need to have a paper Ticket to take to the EN. The EN can check to see if you qualify.

## Ticket to Work (TTW) and NYESS

NYESS is an EN with a new method for Ticket holders to assign/reassign their TTW in New York State. Many employment support and disability services providers in the State are joining the NYESS System of ENs. A few are listed on the back of this brochure and more are shown on our website at [www.nyess.ny.gov](http://www.nyess.ny.gov).



For more information about assigning /reassigning your Ticket to the NYESS system, contact your disability support service provider.

When a ticket holder receives employment services, VR or other support services from a State disability provider in the NYESS system, their Ticket can be assigned or reassigned to the NYESS system. As a beneficiary, you have a choice of service providers. Below we tell you the benefits of signing with NYESS. If you want to consider another EN outside the NYESS system, call the Social Security's Ticket Call Center at 1-866-968-7842, toll free, (TTY) 1-866-833-2967.

## Benefits for Assigning or Re-assigning a Ticket with NYESS!

- The NYESS system simplifies the process for assigning a Ticket to Work
- NYESS provides a "single point of access" to employment support for Ticket holders
- Assigning a Ticket with NYESS means the ticket holder gets flexibility in services
- Ticket holders have the ability to easily change service providers within NYESS as their individual needs changes. No "searching" for an Employment Network
- Services can be coordinated in a more appropriate approach for the person
- Individuals receive access to an enhanced level of Benefits Counseling
- NYESS increases the chance of a ticket holder getting a Job to fit them
- Multiple agencies can serve an individual at the same time, and provide support in their area of expertise.

*The Ticket to Work Program  
can be a "Passport"  
to your financial independence!*