



Caring for a loved one with a disability can be overwhelming. The answers to these questions are as different and unique as each individual child. Pine Tree Society's Case Management team is here to help find your answers. Since we offer case management for children and adults, we provide seamless support through the transition to adulthood. Don't go it alone. Our case managers are here to help.

Here is a resource to help if you have are exploring the option of applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

Applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for your Child (under age 18)

To Apply For Disability Benefits for a Child...

You will need to complete an Application for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) **AND** a Child Disability Report. The report collects information about the child's disabling condition and how it affects his/her ability to function.

Currently, only the Child Disability Report can be completed online. You can access the Child Disability Report at: <http://www.ssa.gov/disabilityssi/apply-child.html>

To complete the SSI application, you will need to contact your local Social Security office to schedule an appointment.

Steps to Apply:

Review the Child Disability Starter Kit. This kit answers common questions and includes a worksheet to help you gather the information you need. You can find the Child Disability Starter Kit at: <http://www.ssa.gov/disabilityssi/apply-child.html>

Contact Social Security to find out if the income and resources of the parents and child are within the allowed limits and to start the SSI application process.

Auburn Office
1 Great Falls Plaza
Auburn, ME
Phone: 1-866-627-6996
TTY: 1-207-783-3870

Portland Office
550 Forest Avenue, Suite 150
Portland, ME
Phone: 1-877-319-3076
TTY: 1-207-773-3981

Augusta Office
330 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04332
Phone: 1-866-882-5422
TTY: 1-207-623-5190

Saco/Biddeford Office
110 Main Street, Suite 1450
Saco, ME
Phone: 1-877-253-4715
TTY: 1-207-282-6404

Fill out the online Child Disability Report. Here, they will ask you to sign a form that gives the child's doctor(s) permission to give us information about his/her disability so they can make a decision on the child's claim.

****If you do not want to do the Child Disability Report online or you need help, contact your local Social Security office listed above.****

To find out how Pine Tree Society Case Management Services may be able to help you, please contact Julie Brennan, LMSW, Director of Case Management Services, at (207) 386-5952.