

To qualify for this program you must be **unable to work for at least 3 months** due to a physical impairment, mental impairment, alcohol or substance abuse problem.



Go to DSHS (4101 Meridian) to fill out and **turn in an application** between 7:00-9:30 am

*If you cannot get to the DSHS office, you can mail in an application and request a phone interview.

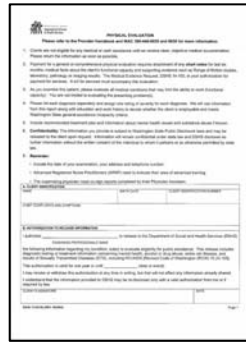


Bring your ID and any documents about your income & employment in the last 6 months to your **financial interview later that day.**



Attend an orientation. They are held at 8:30 am on Tuesdays & Thursdays to learn the rules of the program and how to use it.

*You will be given the appointment for your social work interview during orientation.



At your **social work interview** you will be given an **evaluation form & a letter** that says DSHS will pay a doctor to examine you and fill out the form.

*The social worker will want to know the start & end dates of your last three jobs.

*Make sure you do not lose the form or the letter!



As soon as you get the form, **schedule an appointment** with the doctor who knows the most about your condition so they can complete the form.

*If you do not have a doctor, see your social worker for a list of offices that will see you.



If you have been treated at the hospital, you also need to go there and **sign a release** for your treatment records to be sent to DSHS.

*DSHS will have to deny your case if they do not receive enough medical information about your condition.



Watch your mail! DSHS will send you a letter telling you if your case has been approved or denied and why. They may also **request more information.**

*If you don't understand their decision or disagree, call the caseworker who is listed on the letter.



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