



## *Benefit Counseling*

### *Our Vision*

Resource Connection envisions a community in which all people are valued and accepted and have control over their own destinies.

### *Our Mission*

Resource Connection strives to enable people experiencing developmental or economic challenges to achieve independence and inclusion by providing social, educational, residential, and work related supports.

Resource Connection looks for opportunities to grow and support programs and services that contribute to the community at large.

## *Our Programs and Services*

Vocational Rehabilitation

Life After School Transition Program

Benefit Counseling

## *Qualifications of Resource Connection Employees*

All Resource Connection staff meet the State of Indiana's requirements for employment in this field of service. This includes educational or licensing requirements, as well as passing a criminal history check, which is part of our own rigorous screening process.

All Resource Connection staff participates in regularly-scheduled training to keep their skills sharp and remain informed of important changes in our system.



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## *Resource Connection Benefit Counseling Offers*

 Assistance to individuals in understanding how returning to work may effect:

- Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Medical Insurance
- Current Benefits

 Help to students and parents finding employment after graduation

 The possibility for an incentive for a person to return to work

 Assistance to people who have had the misfortune of becoming disabled

## *Resource Connection Benefit Counseling?*

In October of 2007, Resource Connection began offering Benefit Counseling, which is a service available to individuals who would like to understand how returning to work may affect their Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) cash benefits and Medical Insurance. The counseling informs the individual how employment will impact their current benefits, thus allowing them to work to their fullest potential.



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