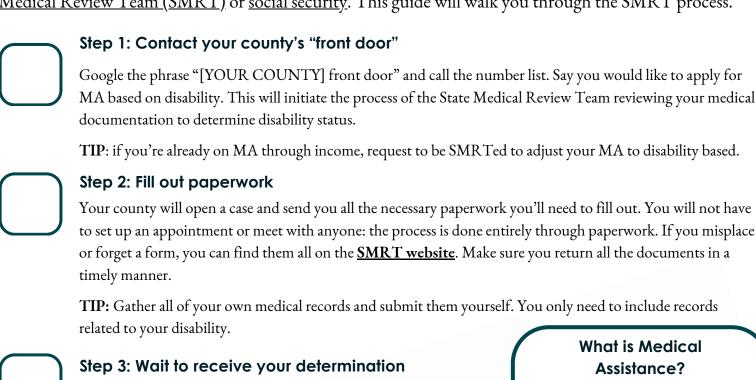
Qualifying for Medical Assistance through Disability

There are two paths to qualify for MA: disability and income. With new federal legislation, the income-based path now has additional work requirements, where the disability-based path does not. In order to qualify for MA through the disability path, you must become certified disabled. There are two methods: the <u>State Medical Review Team (SMRT)</u> or <u>social security</u>. This guide will walk you through the SMRT process.



You may have to wait for a long time to hear back about whether you have been determined disabled or not.

If you are determined disabled:

You will be enrolled in MA for disability (or moved from income-based to disability-based. If you were already on income-based MA, this will not change anything else.

If you are determined not disabled:

You can appeal the decision. There will be instructions in the letter you receive.

"Medical Assistance (MA) is Minnesota's Medicaid program for people with low income. MA is Minnesota's largest health care program and serves children and families, pregnant women, adults without children, seniors and people who are blind or have a disability."

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