

What is **SOAR**?

A model for assisting eligible individuals to apply for Social Security Administration (SSA) disability benefits.

SSI PROGRAM

The SSI program pays benefits to adults and children who meet SSA requirements for a qualifying disability and have limited income and resources.

SSDI PROGRAM

The SSDI program pays benefits to you if you are "insured." This means that you worked long enough and recently enough — and paid Social Security (FICA) taxes on your earnings.

SSI/SSDI OUTREACH ACCESS & RECOVERY

Who is **SOAR** for?

SOAR is for individuals who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and living with a serious mental illness, co-occurring substance use condition, or other physical disabilities.
Georgia's SOAR Program is sponsored by DBHDD in partnership with SAMHSA and the Social Security Administration.

While these two programs are different, the medical requirements are the same. If you meet the nonmedical requirements, monthly benefits are paid if you have a medical condition expected to last at least one year or result in death.

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