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## **Medicaid Buy-In Opens Doors to Employment for People with Disabilities**

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As Sharon Lewis, deputy administrator for the Administration for Community Living (ACL), noted in her [Disability Employment Awareness Month blog post](#) earlier this month, working is about more than earning a paycheck. It gives purpose and structure to our lives. In the late 1990s, the Medicaid Buy-In program launched historic changes for workers with disabilities. For individuals suppressing their income to gain or maintain access to critical community-based supports, it was life changing.

Today the Medicaid Buy-In program continues to provide workers with disabilities an opportunity to improve their economic well-being and achieve a better life. [Click here](#) to read more.

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