# **ABLEnow**<sub>®</sub>

Tax-advantaged savings for individuals with disabilities



able to save I'm <del>scared</del> for her future.



# Achieving a Better Life Experience

ABLEnow<sup>®</sup> is a new way to save, invest and pay for qualified disability expenses. Now, eligible individuals can save without endangering certain means-tested benefits critical to their health and well-being.

ABLEnow accounts are made possible by the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act, which authorized states to establish tax-advantaged savings programs for individuals with disabilities and their families.

# Who is Eligible?

ABLEnow accounts are available to eligible U.S. citizens and legal residents, regardless of state residency. Take the quiz at **able-now.com/eligibility** to see if you or someone you know is eligible.

# Why Save with ABLEnow?

#### It's Flexible

ABLEnow accounts are designed to be flexible—easy to manage, easy to contribute and easy to use. There's no minimum to open an account. Pay for qualified expenses online or with the ABLEnow Card.

### It's Tax-Advantaged

Earnings grow free from federal taxes. In addition, some states may offer state tax incentives. For example, in Virginia, earnings grow free from federal and state taxes. Virginia also offers an annual state income tax deduction of up to \$2,000 per contributor for contributions to an ABLEnow account.



ABLEnow account owners receive the ABLEnow Card—a free debit card providing a simple, fast way to pay for qualified disability expenses.

## It Doesn't Impact Benefits

Generally, funds in an ABLEnow account are disregarded when determining eligibility for most means-tested benefits programs, such as Medicaid and Supplemental Security Income (SSI). For these rules and details, please visit able-now.com.

# **Qualified Disability Expenses**

ABLEnow accounts may be used to pay a variety of expenses related to maintaining health, independence and quality of life.



Basic living expenses



Transportation



Health and wellness



Education and training



Housing



Assistive technology









66 An ABLEnow account allows our family to save for Larry's future. He can have his own money. The financial stability ABLEnow offers will give him freedom and independence."



66 ABLEnow allows many parents to plan for their child's future for the first time. Anyone can contribute—family and friends—and money saved in this account won't jeopardize disability benefits."



66 This offers hope for the future. Before ABLEnow, I could only have enough funds in my account to pay monthly bills. I couldn't save. Now, I can start building a nest egg and not have to worry as much about the future."

# **Start Your Savings**

Choose the program that fits your needs

Open and manage your account online



able-now.com

1-844-NOW-ABLE (1-844-669-2253)

Open an account with your financial advisor



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