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## Who We Are

Allsup and its affiliates are providers of specialized services and innovative technologies that help meet the financial and healthcare needs of people with disabilities, veterans, seniors and their families. Allsup companies work nationwide to deliver a range of advocacy services and integrated products. These services include assessing eligibility and obtaining Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits, supporting return-to-work efforts for those with disabilities, and ensuring the healthcare needs of individuals are met.

Since its founding in 1984 as the first nationwide, non-attorney SSDI representation organization, Allsup has helped more than 275,000 people with severe disabilities receive their Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Medicare benefits.



## Our True Help®

### Allsup

Allsup provides nationwide Social Security disability representation, veterans disability appeal, return to work, exchange plan and Medicare services for individuals, their employers and insurance carriers.

### Allsup Employment Services (AES)

AES is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Allsup and a Social Security Administration-approved Employment Network. Its goal is to help individuals use the skills they have acquired during their careers to return from a work-disrupting disability to employment and economic self-sufficiency.

## Our Leadership

- Jim Allsup is Founder, Chairman and CEO.
- Dave Zura is President and Chief Operations Officer.

## Our Corporate Headquarters

Allsup is located at 300 Allsup Place in Belleville, Illinois, near St. Louis.

## Our Promise

Allsup experts create opportunities for people with disabilities to lead lives that are as financially secure and healthy as possible.

## Our Service

Allsup maintains an A+ rating by the Better Business Bureau as part of its Standards for Trust program, and is a recipient of the BBB Torch Award and a finalist in the BBB International Torch Awards for Marketplace Excellence awarded by the Council of Better Business Bureaus.

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## Our Services

We apply decades of expertise in navigating complex disability and healthcare programs to assist individuals, employers and insurance carriers with coordinating public and private benefits for individuals.

<b>Income Replacement Services</b>	<b>Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) Services</b>  <i>empower by Allsup®</i>  Allsup has helped more than 275,000 customers obtain their SSDI benefits from application to hearing. Allsup offers a simpler way to apply with <i>empower by Allsup</i> , an online tool that quickly determines someone's likelihood of qualifying and guides them through the process.  	<b>Seamless ORS®</b>  Overpayment Reimbursement Services simplifies claimants' efforts to fulfill their long-term disability policy requirement without risking interruption or suspension of their LTD benefits.  	<b>Allsup Veterans Disability Appeal Service®</b>  VA-accredited Claims Agents help veterans to receive service-connected disability compensation as quickly and efficiently as possible during the VA appeals process.  	<b>Canada Pension Plan (CPP) Services</b>  This service offers representation and assistance for claimants seeking benefits through the CPP program.  
<b>Healthcare Insurance Services</b>	<b>Allsup Benefits Coordination</b>  Benefits specialists provide customized solutions and expert guidance to individuals who are transitioning from group benefits to other insurance options, such as exchange plans, Medicare and Medicaid.  	<b>Allsup Medicare Advisor®</b>  Medicare plan selection service guides customers in navigating complexities and making informed choices about Medicare plans.  	<b>Medicare Coordination Service®</b>  This service coordinates group health plan (GHP) benefits with Medicare, providing companies with measurable GHP savings.  	<b>Healthcare Insurance Assistance</b>  SSDI customers receive expert help with needs assessment, plan selection and enrollment in exchange plans, Medicare and Medicaid.  
<b>Benefits Services</b>	<b>Financial Guidance</b>  Allsup Disability Life Planning Service®  This specially designed service offers timely financial guidance with life changes and helps individuals access resources that improve financial stability.  	<b>Benefit Verification Services</b>  Specialists ensure accurate benefit amounts to reduce incidence of overpayment and underpayment.  	<b>Custom Client Services</b>  Additional specialized services available for employer and insurance carriers when navigating complex federal programs, including technical program support.  	
<b>Return to Work Services</b>	Our customers and clients receive expert assistance with navigating the complexities of the Social Security Administration's Ticket to Work program so that more individuals find fulfilling employment after work-disrupting disability and employers achieve a more inclusive workforce.  			

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 Insurance carriers

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## Resources for Journalists

Allsup provides specialized expertise and resources on topics including Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and the Social Security Administration (SSA), veterans disability appeals and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), return to work, Medicare, healthcare and long-term disability insurance, exchange plans, disability and personal finance. Contact Rebecca Ray at [r.ray@allsup.com](mailto:r.ray@allsup.com) for media requests, speakers and other inquiries.

### Allsup Experts

**Jim Allsup** • Founder, Chairman and CEO:  
Mr. Allsup founded Allsup in 1984 as the first nationwide, non-attorney SSDI representation organization. He is recognized as an authority on disability-related Social Security and Medicare issues and has testified before the House and Senate in Washington, D.C.

**Dave Zura** • President and Chief Operations Officer:  
Zura oversees business operations and is responsible for the enhancement and expansion of Allsup's services and the *empower* by Allsup® tool. He ensures superior services and products are provided to meet the evolving needs of individuals, their employers and insurance carriers.

**Mike Stein** • Assistant Vice President: Stein is responsible for ensuring that Allsup provides quality, efficient service to individuals, clients and government offices, including the SSA and state Disability Determination Services (DDS) offices. He monitors and evaluates SSA initiatives, such as efforts to address the SSDI hearing backlog and the SSA's Appointed Representative Services (ARS).

**Edward Swierczek** • Senior Claims Consultant:  
Swierczek has more than 40 years of expertise in the SSDI claims process, including 27 years with the Disability Determination Service (DDS) as assistant district supervisor and quality assurance specialist with the State of Missouri DDS.

**Brett Buchanan** • VA-accredited Claims Agent:  
Buchanan represents veterans nationwide for benefits through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' compensation program, helping them with their VA disability appeals. He served in the U.S. Army and is a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is a member of the National Organization of Veterans' Advocates.

**David Bueltemann** • Manager of Allsup Employment Services (AES): Bueltemann oversees the benefits counseling services and return-to-work assistance provided to job candidates by AES, which is an SSA-approved Employment Network. His past experience includes helping more than 5,000 people with disabilities receive their SSDI benefits.

**John Yent** • Director of Vocational Services, AES: Yent (MA, ABDA, CPWIC) is a Community Partner Work Incentives Coordinator and has 25 years' experience as a vocational rehabilitation case manager and vocational expert in the courts.

**Tricia Blazier** • Healthcare and Financial Planning Director: Blazier (J.D.) applies her knowledge of healthcare issues and personal finances to assist employers and individuals as they navigate complex government programs. Her areas of expertise include Medicare, exchange plans, Medicaid, and the impact of disability on personal financial matters.

**Aaron Tidball** • Manager of *Allsup Medicare Advisor*®: Tidball is proficient in navigating the Medicare system and knowledgeable about Medicare plans, benefits coordination and exchange plans. He oversees Allsup's team of health benefits specialists, and educates and counsels beneficiaries, their families, employers and financial advisors.

**Tai Prohaska** • Manager of Strategic Alliances: Prohaska (MPH) has more than 20 years of health education, community and public relations experience in nonprofit, government and corporate arenas. She represents the company in alliance programs with disability organizations that help empower people with disabilities to live lives that are as financially secure and as healthy as possible. Contact: [t.prohaska@allsup.com](mailto:t.prohaska@allsup.com).