

Person First Talking Points:

STABLE Accounts are used to pay for disability costs of people with disabilities. These accounts are not used for eligibility of Medicaid or SSI. Friends and family can donate money to the account on behalf of a person with a disability. Getting help from friends or family for disability-related costs is a good thing. But these accounts will have to pay back any amount that Medicaid spends on a person with a disability when that person passes away. This payback is unfair, because the funds in the account are used to pay for disability-related costs.

Listed below are examples of what you can say to your legislator about this issue:

Hi, my name is _____.

I live in _____.

I support the use of STABLE Accounts for people with disabilities.

STABLE Accounts help pay for disability-related things that Medicaid will not pay for.

These accounts help make people with disabilities lives better.

Our families don't want to put money in these accounts if the money will be taken by Medicaid when the account holder dies.

(You can give them a copy of the fact sheet if you'd like.)