

Important information about opening a new account:

- Before completing this form, carefully read the **Program Description & Participation Agreement**.
- An eligible person can only have one ABLE account open at any time.
- Fill out all sections of this form to open a new **Alabama ABLE** account.
- You'll need to make an initial contribution of at least \$25 to start.
- If you connect a bank account to the ABLE account, the name of the Beneficiary or the Authorized Legal Representative must be associated with the bank account.
- Type or print clearly in black ink, and do not staple the pages or check.
- If you're making an ABLE to Work contribution, you may contribute an amount equal to the Beneficiary's gross income, up to the current limits (see Program Disclosure Booklet for current limits), in addition to the annual standard contribution limit.

Need help?

Give us a call Monday – Friday
from 8am – 7pm CT at

1-833-711-2253

Individuals with speech or hearing disabilities may dial **711** to access Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) from a telephone or TTY.

Mail the form to:

Alabama ABLE
P.O. Box 534419
Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4419

Overnight Mail:

Alabama ABLE
Attention: 534419
500 Ross Street, 154-0520
Pittsburgh, PA 15262

Fax:

833-223-5121

1 Is this a rollover from another ABLE plan?

☐ Yes (Please also fill out one of the applicable **Rollover Forms** in addition to this form. You can find forms at AlabamaABLE.gov)

☐ No

2 Beneficiary information

Name (First and last)

___ / ___ / ___
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

How does the Beneficiary identify? ☐ As she ☐ As he ☐ Chooses not to identify

Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number

Telephone number



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Residential address

No PO boxes are accepted for a residential address.

Street address 1

Street address 2

City

State

Zip Code

Does the Beneficiary self-identify as a veteran? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you an Authorized Legal Representative? If so, please complete **Step 3**.
If not, disregard **Step 3** and move on to **Step 4**.

3 Authorized Legal Representative information — If applicable

Name (First and last)

Relationship to the Beneficiary (Please select one)

I certify under the penalties of perjury that I am the Beneficiary's:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Power of Attorney
I have the Power of Attorney to open and manage an ABE account for the Beneficiary. | <input type="radio"/> Parent
I have the authority to open and manage an ABE account for the Beneficiary. |
| <input type="radio"/> Legal Guardian
The Beneficiary does not have a Power of Attorney pertaining to this ABE account, and I am their legal guardian. | <input type="radio"/> Sibling
I have the authority to open and manage an ABE account for the Beneficiary. |
| <input type="radio"/> Conservator
The Beneficiary does not have a Power of Attorney pertaining to this ABE account, and I have been appointed conservator. | <input type="radio"/> Grandparent
I have the authority to open and manage an ABE account for the Beneficiary. |
| <input type="radio"/> Spouse
I have the authority to open and manage an ABE account for the Beneficiary. | <input type="radio"/> Representative Payee
I have the authority to open and manage an ABE account for the Beneficiary. |



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____ / ____ / ____
Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

____ - ____ - ____
Authorized Legal Representative's Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number

____ - ____ - ____
Telephone Number

Residential address

No PO boxes are accepted for a residential address.

- ☐ Authorized Legal Representative has the same address at the Beneficiary
(Leave address information below blank)

Street address 1

Street address 2

City

State

____ - ____ - ____
Zip Code



4 Communication preferences

Mailing address

PO boxes are accepted for a mailing address.

- ☐ Use the Beneficiary's residential address as the mailing address
(Leave address information below blank)
- ☐ Use the Authorized Legal Representative's residential address as the mailing address
(Leave address information below blank)

Street address 1

Street address 2

City

State

Zip Code

Choose how you want to receive statements and tax forms for all the accounts you manage

(Please select one)

- ☐ Send digital tax forms, account information and quarterly statements by email
(Please answer **Step 4A** below)
- ☐ Send digital quarterly statements and account information by email, but send tax forms by U.S. mail*
(Please answer **Step 4A** below)
- ☐ Send quarterly statements, account information and tax forms by U.S. mail*
(You'll be charged \$20 per account, per year)

4A What email address should we use?

Answer if you've chosen to receive items by email

Email

* All documents sent by U.S. mail will be mailed to the account's mailing address.



5 Diagnosis information

This information is needed to confirm the Beneficiary's eligibility for the ALE program.

Which option applies to the Beneficiary? (Please select one)

I certify under the penalties of perjury that:

- ☐ The Beneficiary is entitled during the current year to Social Security Disability (SSDI) benefits based on blindness or disability under title II of the Social Security Act
- ☐ The Beneficiary is entitled during the current year to Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits based on blindness or disability under title XVI of the Social Security Act
- ☐ The Beneficiary
- a. has a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that results in marked and severe functional limitations* and can be expected to result in death or has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of at least 12 months; OR is blind†

AND

- b. has a signed diagnosis (see our **Physician's Form**) from a licensed physician‡ as to the condition described in (a)

I understand that I am required to retain such signed diagnosis and to provide it to the Program or the IRS upon request, and I agree to do so.

* I understand that "marked and severe functional limitation" means a functional limitation that meets, medically equals, or functionally equals the severity of any listing in appendix 1 of subpart P of 20 CFR part 404 (the "Listing"), but without regard to age. The Listing can be found at <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-20/chapter-III/part-404/subpart-P?toc=1>. I further understand that the level of severity is determined by taking into account the effect of the Beneficiary's prescribed treatment.

† I understand that, for purposes of eligibility for an ALE account, "blind" means that the Beneficiary has central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with the use of a correcting lens. An eye which is accompanied by a limitation in the fields of vision such that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle no greater than 20 degrees is considered to have a central visual acuity of 20/200 or less.

‡ Must be a Doctor of Medicine (MD) or a Doctor of Osteopathy (DO) who is legally authorized to practice medicine and surgery by the state in which s/he performs the diagnosis. The full IRS listing of acceptable medical sources can be found at <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-20/section-404.1502>.



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Diagnosis Code (Please select one)

- ☐ **Code 1: Developmental Disorder**
Autistic Spectrum Disorder, Asperger's Disorder, Developmental Delays and Learning Disabilities
- ☐ **Code 2: Intellectual Disability**
Mild, moderate, or severe intellectual disability
- ☐ **Code 3: Psychiatric Disorder**
Schizophrenia, Major depressive disorder, Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), Anorexia nervosa, Attention deficit/Hyperactivity disorder (AD/HD) and Bipolar disorder
- ☐ **Code 4: Nervous Disorder**
Blindness, Deafness, Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Spina Bifida, Juvenile-onset Huntington's disease, Multiple sclerosis, Severe sensorineural hearing loss and Congenital cataracts
- ☐ **Code 5: Congenital Anomalies**
Chromosomal abnormalities: Down Syndrome, Osteogenesis imperfecta, Xeroderma pigmentosum, Spinal muscular atrophy, Fragile X syndrome and Edwards syndrome
- ☐ **Code 6: Respiratory Disorder**
Cystic Fibrosis
- ☐ **Code 7: Other**
Anything not listed under codes 1-6 and Tetralogy of Fallot, Hypoplastic left heart syndrome, End-stage liver disease, Juvenile-onset rheumatoid arthritis, Sickle cell disease and Hemophilia

Is this disability permanent*? ☐ Yes ☐ No

I certify under the penalties of perjury that:

- ☐ The Beneficiary developed the disability or blindness before the age of 46
- ☐ The Beneficiary has no other ABE account, except in the case of doing a rollover
- ☐ I will notify the Program of any changes to the permanence* of the Beneficiary's disability or blindness (including any potential cure for such disability or blindness) promptly upon such an occurrence

* Permanent/permanence is intended to mean a disability that "can be expected to result in death or which has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months" as set forth in Section 529A of the Internal Revenue Code.



6 Work information

Providing employment information will help us understand how the account is being funded.

What is the Beneficiary or Authorized Legal Representative's work status? (Please select one)

- ☐ Employed ☐ Self-Employed ☐ Retired or Not Working



A What's your occupation (Please select one)

Answer if **employed** or **self-employed**:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Accounting/Auditing | <input type="radio"/> Hospitality/Food |
| <input type="radio"/> Admin/Clerical | <input type="radio"/> Independent Investor |
| <input type="radio"/> Art/Antiques Dealer | <input type="radio"/> Information Technology |
| <input type="radio"/> Banking Professional | <input type="radio"/> Insurance |
| <input type="radio"/> Cannabis related business | <input type="radio"/> Legal Services |
| <input type="radio"/> Car/Boat/Airplane Dealer | <input type="radio"/> Manufacturing/Production |
| <input type="radio"/> Casino/Gaming | <input type="radio"/> Nonprofit Executive |
| <input type="radio"/> Construction/Skilled Trade | <input type="radio"/> Operations |
| <input type="radio"/> Creative/Design/Architectural | <input type="radio"/> Other: |
| <input type="radio"/> Defense/Military | |
| <input type="radio"/> Editorial/Writing/Publishing | <div>(Please write in your occupation)</div> |
| <input type="radio"/> Education | <input type="radio"/> Public Service |
| <input type="radio"/> Elected Official/Embassy | <input type="radio"/> Retail/Sales/Real Estate |
| <input type="radio"/> Engineering/Science/R&D | <input type="radio"/> Student |
| <input type="radio"/> Entertainment/Sports/Arts | <input type="radio"/> Transportation/Warehousing |
| <input type="radio"/> Financial Services | |
| <input type="radio"/> Health Care Professional | |

B Please choose all of your sources of income* (Select all that apply)

Answer if **retired or not working**:

- ☐ Retirement Savings
- ☐ Spousal Support
- ☐ Social Security or Pension
- ☐ Other Government Services
- ☐ Other:

(Please write in all other sources)



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Choose where to put your money

You can put your money in an investment and/or cash option. Future contributions and withdrawals will be allocated to help bring your account to your target allocation of cash and investment balances.

Please read the Alabama ALE Savings **Plan Disclosure Booklet** for important information about the cash and investment options before making a decision.

With an investment portfolio

- This portion of your money is usually set aside for longer term investment.
- There is a risk of losing money, even your contributions, but you may also gain money over time.
- Each option has varying degree of risk, going up and down in value depending on the market.
- It can take up to 5 – 7 business days to receive money once you start a withdrawal.
- Learn about the three portfolio options, ALE Conservative, ALE Moderate, and ALE Aggressive in the **Plan Disclosure Booklet** before you choose one in the next step.

With an FDIC Savings Fund

This portion of your money is usually set aside for short term saving or on-going spending needs.

- There's low risk, but minimal or no interest.
- The account is FDIC insured up to the allowable amount.
- It can take up to 3 – 5 business days to receive money once you start a withdrawal.



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Successor Designated Beneficiary information - optional

This information is needed to confirm the Successor Designated Beneficiary's eligibility for this ALE account. The Successor Designated Beneficiary is eligible to inherit the account if the Beneficiary dies or becomes incapacitated. By law, a Successor Designated Beneficiary for an account must be a sibling, step-sibling, or half-sibling of the designated beneficiary, and must also have a qualifying disability.

Successor Designated Beneficiary name (First and last)

____ / ____ / ____

Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

____ - ____ - ____

Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number

Street address 1

Street address 2

City

State

Zip Code

Which option applies to the Successor Designated Beneficiary? (Please select one)

I certify under the penalties of perjury that:

- ☐ The Successor Designated Beneficiary is entitled during the current year to Social Security Disability (SSDI) benefits based on blindness or disability under title II of the Social Security Act.
- ☐ The Successor Designated Beneficiary is entitled during the current year to Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits based on blindness or disability under title XVI of the Social Security Act.
- ☐ The Successor Designated Beneficiary
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- AND
- b. has a signed diagnosis (see our **Physician's Form**) from a licensed physician‡ as to the condition described in (a)

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- ☐ The Successor Designated Beneficiary developed the disability or blindness before the age of 46
- ☐ I will notify the Program of any changes to the permanence* of the Successor Designated Beneficiary's disability or blindness (including any potential cure for such disability or blindness) promptly upon such an occurrence.
- ☐ The Successor Designated Beneficiary is a sibling, step-sibling, or half-sibling of the Designated Beneficiary.

___ / ___ / ___

Certification date (mm/dd/yyyy)

* Permanent/permanence is intended to mean a disability that "can be expected to result in death or which has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months" as set forth in Section 529A of the Internal Revenue Code.



9 Contribution information

There's a \$25 minimum contribution to open an account and you must contribute at least \$5 to each portfolio or fund you want to add money to. You can connect a bank account (**Step 10**) or include a check made out to Alabama ALE.

You can select as many portfolios as you want to invest your initial and future contributions. You can view your portfolio allocations at any time or change your investment strategy up to twice per calendar year.

Please read the **Alabama ALE Program Description & Participation Agreement** for important information about the cash and investment options before making a decision.

Investment Options:

Conservative Portfolio

\$ ____ , ____ . ____
Amount

Moderate Portfolio

\$ ____ , ____ . ____
Amount

Aggressive Portfolio

\$ ____ , ____ . ____
Amount

FDIC Savings Fund

\$ ____ , ____ . ____
Amount

\$ ____ , ____ . ____
Total contribution amount



How are you making this contribution?

- ☐ Check (Please include a check made out to Alabama ABLE with a paper clip, do not staple)
- ☐ ACH deposit (Please fill out **Step 10**)

Which type of contribution are you making? (Please select one)

- ☐ **Standard contribution**
Please see the Program Disclosure Booklet or Plan website for current standard contribution limits.
- ☐ **ABLE to Work contribution**
If the Beneficiary is earning wages, they may contribute an amount equal to their gross income, up to current limits (see Program Disclosure Booklet for current limits), in addition to the yearly standard contribution limit.*

* If the Beneficiary or their employer is contributing to a defined contribution plan (401K), annuity plan (403(b)), or deferred compensation plan (457(b)) this calendar year, the Beneficiary is not eligible to make ABLE to Work contributions.



10 Monthly contribution information — If applicable

Skip this step if you don't want to set up a monthly contribution at this time. You can set up monthly contributions in the future online.

By setting up a monthly contribution, this will authorize us to initiate recurring ACH debits (direct withdrawals) from your bank account on the day you indicate of each month for the amount you set. You may cancel or change these recurring ACH debits (direct withdrawals) online or by using the **Manage Monthly Contributions Form**; however, we must receive your request at least 3 business days before you want it to become effective. We will continue to process transactions scheduled to occur before the end of the 3rd business day after you tell us to stop.

Investment Options:

Tell us how much you want to contribute to your account each month. There is a \$5 minimum contribution to each portfolio you select.

Conservative Portfolio \$ _____ , _____ . _____
Amount

Moderate Portfolio \$ _____ , _____ . _____
Amount

Aggressive Portfolio \$ _____ , _____ . _____
Amount

FDIC Savings Fund \$ _____ , _____ . _____
Amount

\$ _____ , _____ . _____
Total contribution amount

Contribution Day (1 – 28)*

If you don't pick a date, we'll automatically deduct your contribution on the 1st of every month

Which type of contribution are you making? (Please select one)

☐ **Standard contribution**
Please see the Program Disclosure Booklet or Plan website for current standard contribution limits.

☐ **ABLE to Work contribution**
If the Beneficiary is earning wages, they may contribute an amount equal to their gross income, up to current limits (see Program Disclosure Booklet for current limits), in addition to the yearly standard contribution limit.*

* A note on when contributions will be deducted from your bank account: If the Contribution Day you've selected falls on a regular business day, your contribution will be deducted from your bank account two business days prior to the Contribution Day. If the Contribution Day you've selected falls on a weekend or a holiday, the contribution will be deducted from your bank account on the next Business Day.



11 Bank account information

Attach a voided check or copy of your bank statement showing the name, address, the account number and complete the bank information below. (Please do not staple, use a paper clip for the check).

What type of documentation are you including to verify this bank account?

☐ Voided Check

☐ Bank statement

Bank account type ☐ Checking ☐ Savings

Name on bank account

The first and last name on the bank account needs to be the same as either the Beneficiary or the Authorized Legal Representative.

Bank name

____ _
Bank routing number

Bank account number

Need help?

You can find your bank information on the bottom of one of your checks here:

A000000000 A 0000000000000000 c 1000
Routing Account
Number Number

* If the Beneficiary or their employer is contributing to a defined contribution plan (401K), annuity plan (403(b)), or deferred compensation plan (457(b)) this calendar year, the Beneficiary is not eligible to make ALE to Work contributions.



12 Verify your identity

We need any individuals linked to this account over the age of 18 to provide identification.

How to provide identification

- ☐ If you are the Beneficiary, please include Acceptable ID Documentation for yourself
- ☐ If you are the Authorized Legal Representative **and the Beneficiary is under 18**, please include Acceptable ID Documentation for yourself
- ☐ If you are the Authorized Legal Representative **and the Beneficiary is over 18**, please include Acceptable ID Documentation for yourself and the Beneficiary

Acceptable ID Documentation

Option A

Include a copy of a Department of Motor Vehicles State ID

Option B

Include a copy of both your Social Security card and your birth certificate

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering, federal law requires us to obtain certain personal information, including your name, address, date of birth, and Social Security number or taxpayer identification number and other information that will allow us to verify your identity. If we are unable to verify your identity, we may have to close your account or take other steps we think are necessary.



13 Sign the form

By signing below, I am agreeing to the terms and conditions set forth below and in the **Program Description & Participation Agreement**. I understand and agree that those documents govern all aspects of this Account and are incorporated herein by reference.

I will retain a copy of the **Program Description & Participation Agreement** for my records. I understand that the Alabama ABL program may, from time to time, amend the **Program Description & Participation Agreement**, and I understand and agree that I will be subject to the terms of those amendments.

I certify that all of the information provided by me on this **Enrollment Form** is, and all information provided by me in the future will be, true, complete and correct and I authorize the Program to open this Account based upon this information.

Additionally, I certify under penalty of perjury:

- The Beneficiary's disability or blindness is expected to result in death or has lasted, or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months and that I will notify the Program of any change to the status of the beneficiary's disability or blindness (including any potential cure or remission of such disability or blindness) promptly upon such occurrence.
- If I am opening this account on the Beneficiary's behalf, I have authority to act as the Beneficiary's Authorized Legal Representative on this ABL account. I understand that only certain persons can serve as an Authorized Legal Representative, and that there is an order of priority for who can serve. Specifically, I understand that the order of priority is: (1) a person selected by the Beneficiary (when the Beneficiary also has legal capacity), (2) the Beneficiary's agent under power of attorney, (3) conservator or legal guardian, (4) spouse, (5), parent, (6) sibling, (7) grandparent, or (8) a representative payee appointed for the Beneficiary by the Social Security Administration. I certify that I am qualified under this prioritized list to serve as the Beneficiary's Authorized Legal Representative, and that there is no other person higher than me on the prioritized list who is both willing and able to serve as the Beneficiary's Authorized Legal Representative on this account. I further certify that: (1) this account is in the best interest of the Beneficiary; (2) that I neither have, nor will I acquire, any beneficial interest in the Beneficiary's ABL account during the Beneficiary's lifetime; and (3) that I will administer the ABL account for the benefit of the Beneficiary.
- If I've indicated that either my initial contribution or monthly contributions are ABL to Work contributions I certify that the Beneficiary is earning wages and the amount being contributed is less than or equal to the Beneficiary's gross income this calendar year and is no more than the current limits (see Program Disclosure Booklet for current limits). I also certify if I'm making an ABL to Work contribution that the Beneficiary (or the Beneficiary's employer) has not contributed to a defined contribution plan (401K), annuity plan (403(b)), or deferred compensation plan (457(b)) this calendar year.

Signature of Beneficiary or Authorized Legal Representative

____/____/_____
Date (mm/dd/yyyy)