

## **Our Message**



### **SOAR TIPS**

Various Forms
...from our SSA.Gov website:
https://www.ssa.gov/forms/

SSA-1696 Claimant's Appointment of Representative

SSA-3288 Consent for Release of Information

SSA-3368 Disability Report - Adult

registration has many advantages.

Social Security Office Locator

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Find the Office for this ZIP Code:
https://secure.ssa.gov/ICON/main.jsp
Appointed Representative vs. Representative Payee

"May is the month of expectation, the month of wishes, the month of hope." - Emily Bronte

in all of its splendor. Last month, we hosted our quarterly SOAR steering committee meeting. Our guest speaker, Kristin Hartshaw, HFS shared how SOAR will be included in the 1115 Waiver Illinois has alot of work to do!

The SOAR fiscal calendar closes 6/30/2024.

I'm asking the SOAR Community to take this time to update your pending applications in OAT (Online Application Tracking) system; if you have initial applications with a recent decision, please submit those in OAT. If you have not created an OAT account and are completing SOAR applications, please create an OAT account...today! Your input is valuable!

https://soarworks.samhsa.gov/article/t racking-soar-outcomes

Representing Social Security Claimants
Representatives
Appointed Representatives
You can register as a Social Security representative today
as an attorney or non-attorney. Representatives do not
need to have pending cases with us to register, but



### **SAMHSA's Upcoming Events**

Save the date and register for these upcoming virtual events from the SAMHSA SOAR TA Center! Events will be announced via listsery message, and you can find out more on our **Events page.** 

**SOAR Online Course Review Sessions** 

Invitations will be sent via email to those who have completed the SOAR Online Course.

Adult Curriculum: June 12, 2024, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

ET

Child Curriculum: June 26, 2024, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

ET

**SOAR OAT & Outcomes Orientation** 

June 4, 2024, 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET

**SOAR Webinar: Yes, You Can Work! Maximizing** 

**Income Through Employment** 

June 13, 2024, 3:00-4:30 p.m. ET

Details to follow.

**SOARing Over Lunch** 

Each month the SAMHSA SOAR TA Center holds informal monthly calls designed to help support **SOAR efforts across the country. No registration** is required.

**SOARWorks** Illinois Upcoming **Events** June 2024

**SOAR 101:** Introduction to SOAR: June 3 Noon-1pm (CT)

<u>Registration</u> <u>required</u>

# CONGRATULATIONS

### HAPPY SOAR-ANNIVERSARY!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR NEWLY SOAR-TRAINED PRACTITIONERS WHO RECENTLY COMPLETED THE ONLINE SOAR TRAINING.

BIG KUDOS TO OUR SOAR-CERTIFIED PRACTITIONERS WHO RECENTLY RECERTIFIED.



Did you use the SOAR process to obtain mainstream benefits, i.e., SSI/SSDI benefits on behalf of your client and was successful?

We want to hear from you! Please send us your story, 5000 words or less, no personal identifying client information to: a.ritchie@shpa-il.org

## **Connect With Us**

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