SSI and Medicaid Terms to Know

Adjudicator	Disability Determination Services employee who reviews cases to see if an
•	individual meets the criteria for disability.
Appeal for Reconsideration	Stage of review following initial denial; opportunity to have your case reviewed by a different Adjudicator and to provide additional information.
Blue Book	Identifies criteria and documentation needed for medical determination of disability.
Compassionate Allowance	Used for quick determinations of disability for some conditions (see Blue Book listing).
Hearing	After loss at reconsideration level, a hearing presents an opportunity for interaction with the Administrative Law Judge.
Means-tested	Defines limitations in income and resource limits for Medicaid eligibility.
Mental Residual Functional	Some disabling conditions require documentation of severity and impact as
Capacity	demonstrated through diminished mental residual functional capacity in order to
	secure a determination of disability. Criteria for diminished mental residual
	functional capacity includes Understanding, Processing & Memory;
	Concentration, Persistence & Pace; Social Interaction; Adaptability.
Physical Residual	Some disabling conditions require documentation of severity and impact as
Functional Capacity	demonstrated through diminished physical residual functional capacity in order to secure a determination of disability. Limitations in movements and exertion are documented in this category
Red Book	A listing of all the rules for Social Security beneficiaries who are working while receiving SSI and SSDI; this explains work incentives and safety net programs
SSA	Social Security Administration
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SSDI	Social Security Disability Insurance
WIPA	Work Incentive Planning and Assistance; 3 GA providers. Call Ticket to Work Helpline at 866-968-7842 for a referral.



