## Plan highlights.

### Special tax advantages

- Earnings on your investments are federally tax-deferred, maximizing your return.
- Withdrawals are federally tax-free, if used for qualified disability expenses.<sup>1</sup>

#### No impact on current benefits

- Balances under \$100,000 are excluded from the SSI resource limit.<sup>2</sup>
- You'll continue to be eligible for Medicaid, regardless of your account balance.<sup>3</sup>

### **User-friendly**

- Open an account online with as little as \$25.
- Access your account by phone or online 24/7 from a PC, tablet, or mobile device.
- Select the checking option to easily access your funds via a debit card.
- With the easy-to-use Ugift® feature, anyone can contribute to your account.

<sup>1</sup>Earnings on non-qualified withdrawals may be subject to federal income tax and a 10% federal penalty tax, as well as applicable state and local income taxes.

<sup>2</sup>Please see the Plan Disclosure Documents for complete details on SSI suspension and any requirements on when you use the funds to prevent suspension of benefits.

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For more information about the Montana ABLE Program (the "Member Plan"), call 1-888-609-3461, or visit mt.savewithable.com to obtain Plan Disclosure Documents, which include investment objectives, risks, charges, expenses, and other important information; read and consider it carefully before investing.

Investors should consider before investing whether their home state offers any state tax or other benefits that are only available for investments in such state's qualified ABLE program and should consult their legal, tax advisor and/or other advisor regarding their specific legal, investment or tax situation.

The Member Plan is sponsored by the state of Montana and administered by the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. The Member Plan is one of the qualified ABLE plans issued by the ABLE Consortium Trust. Ascensus College Savings Recordkeeping Services, LLC, the Program Manager, and its affiliates have overall responsibility for the day-to-day operations, including investment advisory, recordkeeping and administrative services. The Member Plan offers a series of investment options within the ABLE Consortium Trust. The Member Plan is intended to operate as a qualified ABLE plan to be used only to save for Qualified Disability Expenses, pursuant to the Section 529A of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

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The National ABLE Alliance is a partnership of states focused on offering people with disabilities an ABLE investment product with low-cost financial options.



To all your abilities, now add the ability to save.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Upon the death of the account owner, the state Medicaid agency shall be a creditor for the total medical assistance paid under the State's Medicaid program on behalf of the account owner after the establishment of the account, upon filing of a claim for payment by such state.

# Making saving easier helps make life better.

There's no limit to what individuals with disabilities can do. Now, that includes saving, too.

The Achieving a Better Life Experience Act (ABLE) of 2014 allows those with disabilities and their families to save for many daily, disability-related expenses on a tax-deferred basis – without limiting their ability to benefit from supplemental security income (SSI), Medicaid and other federal programs.



## A message from the Department of Public Health and Human Services.

"I am pleased to provide Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) accounts for Montanans with disabilities. My thanks to the Montana Legislature, and the ABLE Oversight Committee for their work helping make these accounts available."

– Shelia Hogan, Director

### Who's eligible?

You can open the account for yourself, or an authorized individual can open one on your behalf, if:

- Your disability was present before the age of 26; and
- One of the following is true:
  - You experience blindness as determined by the Social Security Act; or
  - You are entitled to receive SSI or SSDI benefits or have a similarly severe disability with a written diagnosis from a licensed physician.

(The account owner or authorized individual must certify the disability. See Plan Disclosure Documents for details.)

### What are Qualified Disability Expenses?

These are ANY expenses that are incurred as a result of living with a disability and are intended to improve your quality of life. Qualified expenses include, but are not limited to:

- Education
- Health and wellness
- Housing
- Transportation
- Legal fees
- Financial management
- Employment training and support
- Assistive technology
- Personal support services
- Oversight and monitoring
- Funeral and burial expenses
- Basic living expenses.

(Withdrawals for non-qualified expenses will be taxed at the account owner's tax rate, and will be subject to a 10% federal tax penalty and applicable state taxes.)



# Investment options to fit your needs.

The Montana ABLE Program offers investment options that meet your needs - based on your unique plans and risk tolerance. Visit mt.savewithable.com to learn more about the options available.

### Low fees.

- Fee-free transactions from checking option at AllPoint ATMs.
- Flat quarterly fee\*, regardless of account balance.
- No transaction fees.

Start saving today at mt.savewithable.com



<sup>\*</sup>Discounts may apply, please see Plan Disclosure Statement.