

Changes with the SAMHSA SOAR TA Center

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Agenda

1. What is the SOAR model
2. Discuss changes with SAMHSA TA Center
3. Next Steps for the community

Here is a list of referrals for traditional claims

These are for potential applicants who do not qualify for SOAR.

Other Options:

- There are other options for someone who wants to file a traditional Social Security claim without SOAR. There are other avenues clients can apply for disability. Below are some other resources to apply for disability:
- Complete an application for [Disability](https://www.ssa.gov/benefits/disability/) Benefits online by going to this website:
• <https://www.ssa.gov/benefits/disability/> and scroll down and click on apply for disability or
- If you do not wish to use the online application, or the application for the benefit you want is not available online, you can:
- Call SSA at **1-800-772-1213** (TTY **1-800-325-0778**).

Resources

- **Representatives or Legal Aid:**
 - National Association for Social Security Claimant Representatives (mainly attorneys) at 1-800-431-2804
 - National Association of Disability Representatives (attorneys and non-attorneys) 1-800-747-6131
 - Volunteer Legal Services of Central Texas- www.vlsoct.org
 - Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid- www.trla.org (hotline number 956-996-8752 Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST)
 - Lawyer Referral Service of Central Texas- <https://austinlrs.com/>