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## *Supplemental Services Trusts*

Many families with a disabled family member face a challenge: if I leave money to my disabled family member, will it destroy their government benefits?

There are several trusts that can be used to solve this problem. For Ohioans receiving benefits through Department of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (“MRDD-DD”), a Supplemental Services Trust is available. These are special trusts designed to supplement the essential services provided by the MRDD-DD. For a list of these services, go to [www.WoodLamping.com](http://www.WoodLamping.com) and request a copy of the Estate and Medicaid Handbook.

A Supplemental Services Trust can be established in a will or as a living trust. A trust for supplemental services can only be funded with the maximum of \$230,000.00 (in 2009).

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