

## Work and Reporting Obligations

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When a person receives Social Security or SSI disability benefits and/or needs disability benefits, he or she should always report work activity.

### Reporting Work Activity for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Beneficiaries:

- ◆ It is best to bring original wage stubs to the local Social Security office and get a receipt that the information was provided.
- ◆ If the information cannot be brought to the office, the original wage stubs can be mailed. Once the SSDI or SSI program receives the wage stubs, they should be copied and returned with a receipt indicating that the information has been provided. There is also an SSI telephone wage reporting system (contact your local SSI office for more information on this system).
- ◆ If the person receives both SSDI and SSI, the wages should be reported to both programs.
- ◆ It is not recommended that you report starting a job by telephone, since you will have no proof of the report.

### Other Changes that should be reported to the SSDI program:

- ◆ Award of Worker's Compensation or changes in the amount of Worker's Compensation
- ◆ Change of representative payee
- ◆ Change of bank account for direct deposits
- ◆ Change of address
- ◆ Marriage and name changes

### Other Changes that should be reported to the SSI program:

- ◆ Change in living arrangements
- ◆ Any changes in income
- ◆ Receipt of any free food or shelter
- ◆ Changes in resources that may result in resources exceeding the SSI resource limits (i.e., \$2,000 for an individual, \$3,000 for a disabled couple).
- ◆ Change of representative payee
- ◆ Change of bank account for direct deposits
- ◆ Change of address
- ◆ Marriage and name changes

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