

SSA will insert the following revised PRA Statement into the form at its next scheduled reprinting:

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement - This information collection meets the requirements of 44 U.S.C. § 3507, as amended by section 2 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. You do not need to answer these questions unless we display a valid Office of Management and Budget control number. We estimate that it will take about 15 minutes to read the instructions, gather the facts, and answer the questions. **SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR LOCAL SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE. The office is listed under U. S. Government agencies in your telephone directory or you may call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).** *You may send comments on our time estimate above to: SSA, 6401 Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401. Send only comments relating to our time estimate to this address, not the completed form.*

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Collection and Use of Personal Information

Section 205a of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 405a), as amended, authorizes us to collect the information on this form. We will use this information to determine your potential eligibility for benefit payments.

Furnishing us this information is voluntary. However, failing to provide us with all or part of the requested information may affect our ability to evaluate the decision on your claim.

We rarely use the information you provide for any purpose other than for determining entitlement to benefit payments. However, we may use the information you give us for the administration and integrity of our programs. We may also disclose information to another person or to another agency in accordance with approved routine uses, which include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. To enable a third party or an agency to assist us in establishing rights to Social Security benefits and/or coverage;
2. To comply with Federal laws requiring the release of information from our records (e.g., to the Government Accountability Office and the Department of Veterans' Affairs);
3. To make determinations for eligibility in similar health and income maintenance programs at the Federal, State, and local level; and,
4. To facilitate statistical research, audit, or investigative activities necessary to assure the integrity and improvement of Social Security programs.

We may also use the information you provide in computer matching programs. Matching programs compare our records with records kept by other Federal, State, or local government agencies. We use the information from these programs to establish or verify a person's eligibility for federally-funded or administered benefit programs and for repayment or incorrect payments or delinquent debts under these programs.

A complete list of routine uses for this information is available in our Privacy Act Systems of Records Notices, 60-0089, Claims Folders Systems. This notice and additional information regarding our programs and systems are available online at www.socialsecurity.gov or at your local Social Security office.