

**Addendum to the Supporting Statement for Form SSA-454-BK
Continuing Disability Review Report
20 CFR 404.1589 & 416.989
OMB No. 0960-0072**

Background

This is a request for modification of the burden for Form SSA-454-BK, Continuing Disability Review Report, related to the regulation, Rules Regarding the Frequency and Notice of Continuing Disability Reviews, RIN 0960-AI27, published on November 18, 2019 at 84 FR 63588. We propose to revise our regulations regarding when and how often we conduct continuing disability reviews (CDR), which are periodic reviews of eligibility required for benefit continuation. The proposed rules would add a category to the existing medical diary categories that we use to schedule CDRs and revise the criteria for assigning each of the medical diary categories to cases. The proposed rules would also change the frequency with which we perform a CDR for claims with the medical diary category for permanent impairments. The revised changes would ensure that we continue to maintain appropriate stewardship of the disability program and identify medical improvement (MI) at its earliest point.

We are not revising the SSA-454-BK in any way to support these proposed rules. However, because the core policy of the proposed rule will cause a change in the frequency of use of these forms, increasing their public reporting burden for the first 10 years after implementation of the rule, we are seeking OMB re-approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Revisions to the Collection Instruments

SSA is revising the burden chart for Form SSA-454-BK due to the regulation, RIN 0960-AI27 as follows:

Modality of Completion	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)	Average Hourly Wage (dollars)*	Total Annual Opportunity Cost (dollars)**
SSA-454- BK (Paper version)	406,500	1	60	406,500	\$10.22	\$4,154,430
EDCS	406,500	1	60	406,500	\$10.22	\$4,154,430
Totals	813,000			813,000		\$8,308,860

* We based this figure on average DI payments.

** This figure does not represent actual costs that SSA is imposing on recipients of Social Security payments to complete this application; rather, these are theoretical opportunity costs for the additional time respondents will spend to complete the application. There is no actual charge to respondents to complete the application.

SSA will implement these burden changes immediately upon OMB's approval of the Final Rule for RIN 0960-AI27.