



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
**RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD**  
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In reply refer to

**REQUEST FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION/PUBLIC DISABILITY BENEFIT  
MEDICAL EVIDENCE**

The person identified on the next page has applied for or is receiving disability benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act. To assist us in determining whether such benefits are payable, please furnish copies of any records describing this person's disability as well as any medical records you have including:

- transcripts of in-hospital and out-patient treatment;
- transcripts of examinations for compensation or pension; and
- transcripts of any vocational training.

Send the records as soon as possible to the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) address shown above. Be sure to include the person's RRB claim number in your reply. If, for any reason, you are unable to furnish medical records, please notify this office immediately.

Since the RRB is an agency of the United States Government, the information should generally be furnished without charge. It is needed to establish entitlement to benefits under a federal law. Authorization to release medical information to the RRB is enclosed. Your cooperation in furnishing the required information as soon as possible will be appreciated. Patient identifying information follows.

**IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

Name and Address of Applicant/Annuitant:

Social Security No.:

Date of Birth:

Worker's Compensation or Disability Benefit Beginning Date:

Employing Agency or Company:

Claim No. at Employing Agency or Company:

Period of Disability:

Nature of Disability:

Other Identifying Information:

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