

2018 SSA Disability Benefits and Medicare Information

Effective January 1, 2018

SSI	Individual	Couple
▪ Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)	\$750/month	\$1125/month
▪ Resource Limits	\$2000 (no change)	\$3000 (no change)
▪ Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA)	<i>Non-Blind:</i> \$1180/month <i>Blind:</i> \$1970/month	
Trial Work Period (TWP)	\$850/month (Minimum earnings to count as trial work month for SSDI beneficiaries)	
Earnings to Qualify as Quarter/Credit \$1320/quarter	Quarters/credits needed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If you turn 24 in or before quarter: 1.5 years of work during the 3-year period ending with the quarter your disability began. ▪ After you turn 24, but before quarter you turn 31: Work during half the time for the period beginning with the quarter after you turned 21 and ending with the quarter you became disabled. ▪ In the quarter you turn age 31 or later: Work during 5 years out of the 10-year period ending with the quarter your disability began. 	
Medicare	Part A	Part B**
▪ Premium	\$422/month. Most people don't pay a premium because of Medicare-covered employment.	\$134.00/month if annual income is less than or equal to \$85,000 (individuals)/\$170,000 (joint filers) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$187.50/month for individuals with income of \$85,001-\$107,000 (\$170,000-\$214,000 for joint filers) ▪ \$267.90/month for individuals with incomes of \$107,001-\$160,000 (\$214,001-\$320,000 for joint filers) ▪ \$348.30/month for individuals with incomes of \$160,001-\$214,000 (\$320,001-\$428,000 for joint filers) ▪ \$428.60/month for individuals with incomes above \$214,000 (\$428,000 for joint filers).
▪ Deductible	\$1340 for days 1-60 for each benefit period Subsequent costs for ongoing days are different. Consult with Medicare provider for these.	\$183/year After your deductible is met, you typically pay 20% of the Medicare-approved amount for these: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most doctor services (including most doctor services while you're a hospital inpatient) • Outpatient therapy • Durable medical equipment
▪ Part D (prescription) base premium	\$35.02/month	.