

**YOUR ROLE AS THE CHILD'S
ATTORNEY IN THE
CROSS-SYSTEM APPLICATION
PROCESS FOR
SOCIAL SECURITY
DISABILITY, FOOD
ASSISTANCE/MEDICAID**

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WHAT ARE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS?

SUPPLEMENTAL SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME

DISABLED OR BLIND CHILDREN
WHOSE PARENTS HAVE LITTLE
INCOME OR RESOURCES MAY BE
ELIGIBLE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL
SECURITY INCOME BENEFITS.

OBJECTIVES

EACH PARTICIPANT WILL BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE A CHILD DISABILITY REPORT TO BEGIN THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY)

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EACH PARTICIPANT WILL BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND MEDICAID.

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EACH PARTICIPANT WILL BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY AND REFER THE CHILD TO ORGANIZATIONS THAT CAN ASSIST WITH THE APPEAL PROCESS IF THE APPLICATION IS DENIED.

WHAT ARE FOOD ASSISTANCE AND MEDICAID BENEFITS?

FOOD ASSISTANCE – FOOD STAMPS



MEDICAID – FREE INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR LOW INCOME ADULTS AND/OR CHILDREN

SOCIAL SECURITY APPLICATION PROCESS

IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY AND GATHERING OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

SOCIAL SECURITY APPLICATION PROCESS

ELIGIBILITY – THE CHILD MUST HAVE A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION (S) THAT VERY SERIOUSLY LIMITS HIS/HER ACTIVITIES; AND THE CONDITION MUST HAVE LASTED OR WILL LAST MORE THAN 12 MONTHS.

BLUE BOOK -

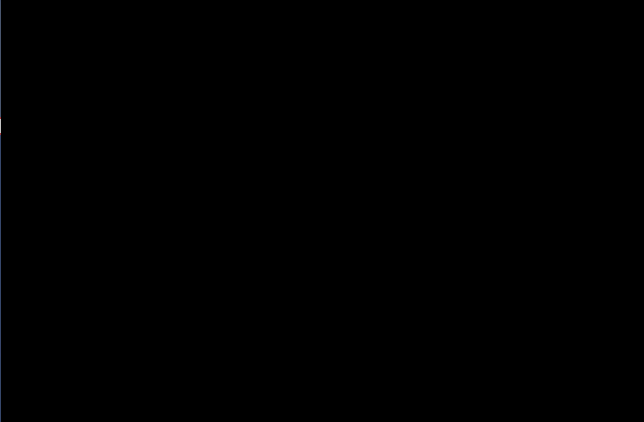
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BLUE BOOK IMPAIRMENT LISTING

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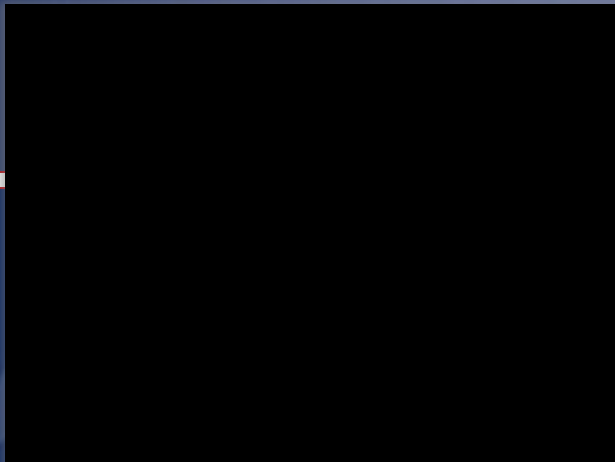


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CHILD DISABILITY STARTER KIT

https://www.ssa.gov/disability/disability_starter_kits.htm

https://www.ssa.gov/disability/disability_starter_kits_child_eng.htm



SOCIAL SECURITY APPLICATION PROCESS

GATHERING OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION REPORT (IEP)
- COMPREHENSIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT (CBHA)
 - SCHOOL RECORDS FOR PAST YEAR
 - CASE WORKER CONTACT INFORMATION
- CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PARENT WHO MAY PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
 - CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE
- SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FOR CHILD AND ALL ADULT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

SOCIAL SECURITY APPLICATION PROCESS

GATHERING OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- NAMES OF MEDICATIONS THE CHILD IS TAKING
- CHILD'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE NUMBER (IF ANY)
- PROOF OF CURRENT INCOME OF CAREGIVER AND ADULT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
 - COURT ORDER PLACING CHILD WITH CAREGIVER
 - PROOF OF RESOURCES OF CAREGIVER AND ADULT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

SOCIAL SECURITY APPLICATION PROCESS

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY APPLICATION AND INTERVIEW

TELEPHONE OR IN PERSON APPLICATION

ORGANIZED DOCUMENTS

COMPLIANCE WITH TIMEFRAMES PROVIDED
IN CONFIRMATION LETTER

ROLE PLAYING EXERCISE



DECISION TIMEFRAMES

TYPICALLY 3-5 MONTHS (45 DAYS)

SOME CONDITIONS QUALIFY FOR PAYMENT WHILE DETERMINATION IS BEING MADE:

HIV, TOTAL BLINDNESS, TOTAL DEAFNESS, CEREBRAL PALSY, DOWN SYNDROME, MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY, SEVERE INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY, LOW BIRTH WEIGHT

APPEAL

IF YOU DISAGREE WITH A DECISION MADE ON THE CHILD'S CLAIM, YOU CAN APPEAL IT.

TIMEFRAME – 60 DAYS



APPEALS REFERRALS

**PUBLIC SERVICE
ORGANIZATIONS**

**LEGAL AID
DISABILITY RIGHTS
AAACPD
YOU**

**PRIVATE
ATTORNEYS**

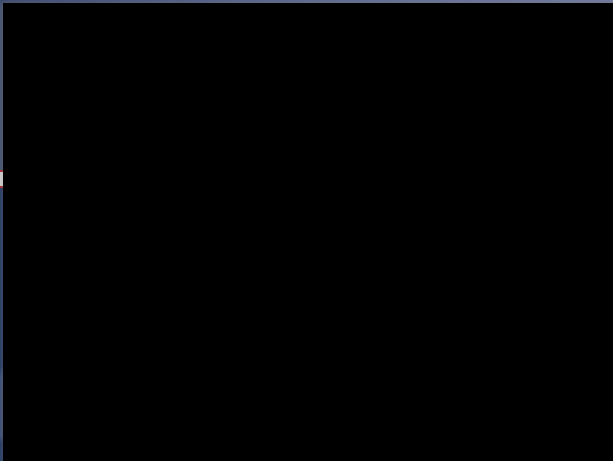
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GROUP, P.A.
LAW OFFICES OF E. F.
ROBINSON, P.A.
YOU- GET
PERMISSION FROM
JAC**

**ANYONE CAN
SERVE AS A
REPRESENTATIVE**

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FOOD STAMPS/MEDICAID

- ADMINISTERED BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – ACCESS PROGRAM
- INCOME GUIDELINES <https://dcf-access.dcf.state.fl.us/access/scrflaiewelcome.do?performAction=init&showMensaje=true>



BONUS QUESTION

WHAT IS THE FORMAL
NAME OF THE FLORIDA
FOOD ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM?

ANSWER

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SNAP

CROSSWORD CONCLUSION

