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What You Need to Know About Social Security Benefits in Relation to Mental Illness



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What is SOCIAL SECURITY ?

It is the protection that society gives its members against the economic and social distresses caused by the contingencies such as:









What is Sickness Benefit?



A daily cash allowance paid to a member for the number of days he/she is unable to work due to sickness or injury.





Confined for at least four (4) days

Paid at least three (3) monthly contributions within the 12-month period immediately preceding the semester of sickness or injury

He has used up all current company sick leave with pay





He has notified his employer or, if unemployed, the SSS

Documentary Requirements (Employed Members):

- Accomplished application form (Sickness Notification)
- Clinical diagnosis/abstract from a psychiatrist that the member is suffering from mental illness/disorder

Note: Employed member's submission of application will be thru employer.



Application Process (Employed Members):



Employee

Employer

SSS

- Employee will submit the required documents to employer.
- ✓ Employer will notify SSS (online).
 ✓ Then submit the required documents to SSS.

✓ SSS will evaluate the documents submitted.



Manner of Payment and Reimbursement:

FOR EMPLOYED MEMBERS







THE EMPLOYER SHALL ADVANCE THE BENEFIT EVERY REGULAR PAYDAY.

Employer

Employee





THE AMOUNT ADVANCED BY THE EMPLOYER WILL BE REIMBURSED 100% BY THE SSS THRU EMPLOYER'S DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT.



- Accomplished application form (Sickness Benefit Application)
- Clinical diagnosis/abstract from a psychiatrist that the member is suffering from mental illness/disorder.
- Enrolled account in the Disbursement Account Enrollment Module (DAEM) under E-Services in My.SSS

Note: Member will directly submit his/her application at any nearest SSS office.



Manner of Payment and Reimbursement

FOR SE/VM/OFW/NWS/ NEWLY SEPARATED EMPLOYEES





THE SICKNESS BENEFIT PAYMENT WILL BE CREDITED DIRECTLY TO THE MEMBER'S DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT.



Other Features

- A member can be granted sickness benefit for a maximum of 120 days in one calendar year.
- Any unused portion <u>cannot be carried forward</u> and added to the total no. of allowable compensable days for the following year.
- The sickness benefit shall not be paid for more than 240 days on account of the same illness.
- If the sickness or injury persists <u>after 240 days</u>, his claim will be <u>considered a disability claim.</u>
- The amount of sickness benefit per day is equivalent to 90% of the member's average daily salary credit.



What is Disability Benefit?



A cash benefit granted to a member who becomes permanently disabled either partially or totally.



Those who have paid at least 36 monthly contributions prior to the semester of contingency shall be entitled to the monthly pension

> Those who have not paid the required **36 monthly contributions** prior to the semester of contingency shall be entitled to the **a lump sum benefit**

What are the basic requirements for disability benefit?

- 1. Disability Claim Application Form
- 2. Member's/Claimant photo and signature form
- 3. SSS Medical Certificate Form, accomplished by attending psychiatrist within six months from date of filing
- 4. Supporting medical records (certified true copy)
- 5. SSS ID card or two other valid IDs

(The list of documentary requirements is found in Page 2 of the Application Form.)





How to Apply for SSS Disability Benefit







Prepare your application form and supporting documents.

The required form can be downloaded in the SSS website together with the list of supporting documents.



Enroll your bank/disbursement account in your my.SSS account.

Your benefit will be disbursed in your enrolled disbursement account, once approved.



How to Apply for Disability Benefit



Compile your application form and photocopies of supporting documents in a long brown envelop.

Write your name and the specific benefit you are filing outside the envelop for proper identification.



Submit your properly sealed envelop to the nearest SSS branch/office.

Drop your brown envelop in the box placed in front of the SSS branch for evaluation of SSS personnel.



Wait for an official notice from SSS.

You will be notified thru text or e-mail on the status of your application and if there's a need for you to go to SSS for the conduct of physical examination.



Monitor the approval of your benefit and its disbursement.

You can monitor and check the status of your application thru your My.SSS account. Your cash benefit will be disbursed to your chosen disbursement account.



"Just because no one else can heal or do your inner work for you

doesn't mean you can, should, or need to do it alone."

-Lisa Olivera



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END OF PRESENTATION. Thank you.



