



SECTION 301: CONTINUED PAYMENT UNDER A VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM OR SIMILAR PROGRAM (SSDI AND SSI ELIGIBLE)

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"How do I qualify for continued payment?"

If we [Social Security Administration] find that you no longer have a disabling impairment due to medical improvement, your benefit payments usually stop. However, if you are participating in an appropriate program of vocational rehabilitation services or similar services, your benefits may continue until your participation in the program ends.

What is an appropriate program of vocational rehabilitation or similar services?

An appropriate program must be approved by us [**Social Security Administration**] and includes:

- The Ticket to Work
- A Vocational Rehabilitation Agency using an individualized plan for employment (IPE)
- Support services using an individualized written employment plan
- A Plan to Achieve Self-Support (PASS)

- An individualized education program (IEP) for an individual age 18 through 21

How long may my benefits continue?

Under Section 301, your benefits may continue until you:

- Complete your program; or
- Your participation in the program stops; or
- We [Social Security Administration] decide that your continued participation in the program will not increase the likelihood of your permanent removal from the disability benefit rolls.

How may I qualify for Section 301 benefits?

To qualify for Section 301:

- You must be participating in an appropriate program of vocational rehabilitation or similar services that began before your disability ends under our rules; and
- We [Social Security Administration] must review the situation and decide that your continued participation in the program will increase the likelihood of your permanent removal from the disability benefit rolls.”

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