Important Information

Ticket to Work P.O.Box 1433 Alexandria, VA 22313

JOHN TICKETHOLDER 123 MAIN STREET SPRINGFIELD, KY 40069-0000 Notice Code : F0015000

We wrote to you about your progress with work and education from January 2013 through December 2013. You either did not respond or your response did not show that you made the required progress for the 5th 12-month Progress Review. Therefore, you will no longer be excused from medical reviews unless we receive the enclosed Progress Review Form by June 26, 2014 and it shows that you have made the expected progress for the 5th 12-month Progress Review.

#### If You Have Made the Expected Progress

Please see the enclosed chart for the specific Timely Progress Requirements for the 5th 12-month Progress Review. If you have made the expected progress, please let us know by June 26, 2014. Complete the attached Progress Review Form to tell us about your progress from January 2013 through December 2013. Then return the form to us using the enclosed postage paid envelope or by fax at 703-893-4020.

Your reply is important. We will not send you another letter if you have made the expected progress. However, we will write to you with our decision if the Progress Review Form does not show that you made the expected progress.

Why Conduct Timely Progress Reviews

As long as you are making the expected progress toward your vocational goal, Social Security will not conduct a medical review to see if you are still disabled under their rules. SSA uses the Timely Progress Review to decide if you are making enough progress with work and earnings, education, or technical training to continue to be excused from a medical review.

The Timely Progress Guidelines enclosed with this letter show how much progress you are expected to make in each 12-month period. If you are not making the expected progress, you will no longer be excused from a scheduled medical review. This does not mean you will be scheduled for a medical review right away, but that a medical review will be done as normally scheduled.

#### **Continue Making Progress**

We encourage you to continue working with your Employment Network (EN) or State vocational

rehabilitation (VR) agency toward your vocational goals. If you have not met the requirements for your 5th 12-month Progress Review, your EN or State VR agency can provide guidance to help you increase your progress. When you have met the 5th 12-month Progress Review requirements within any 12-month period, just let us know and we will tell you what to do to once again be excused from medical reviews.

#### If You Have Questions

We are here to help you. If you have any questions regarding Timely Progress Reviews or the Ticket to Work program, please call us at 1-866-968-7842 or TDD 1-866-833-2967. You may also fax us at 703-893-4020 or write to us at the following address:

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For help with general questions about Social Security benefits, you may call SSA at 1-800-772-1213, or you may write or visit any Social Security office. SSA can also give you more information about other employment supports that help people with disabilities go to work. If you visit a Social Security office, please bring this letter with you.

Sincerely,

Ticket to Work Program

# **Timely Progress Requirements to Pass Each 12-month Timely Progress Review**

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1st 12- Month Review:	Complete 3 months of work at Trial Work Level amount (refer to Form for amount), <b>OR</b> complete GED or high school diploma, <b>OR</b> complete 60% of a full-time course load for an academic year in a college or technical, trade or vocational training program, <b>OR</b> complete a combination of this work and education requirement.
2nd 12- Month Review:	Complete 6 months of work at Trial Work Level amounts (refer to Form for amount), <b>OR</b> complete 75% of a full-time course load for an academic year in a college or technical/trade/vocational training program, <b>OR</b> complete a combination of this work and education requirement.
3rd 12- Month Review:	Complete 9 months of work at Substantial Gainful Activity amount (refer to Form for amount), <b>OR</b> complete an additional full-time academic year of study, <b>OR</b> complete a 2-year or 4-year college program, <b>OR</b> complete a 2-year technical, trade or vocational training program, <b>OR</b> complete a combination of this work and education requirement.
4th 12- Month Review:	Complete 9 months of work at SGA amount (refer to Form for amount), <b>OR</b> complete an additional academic year of full-time study, <b>OR</b> complete a combination of this work and education requirement
5th 12 Month Review:	Complete 6 months of work at SGA amount (refer to Form for amount) with no SSDI and/or SSI cash benefits in months worked, <b>OR</b> complete an additional academic year of full-time study, <b>OR</b> complete a 4-year degree program.
6th 12 Month Review:	Complete 6 months of work at SGA amount (refer to Form for amount) with no SSDI and/ or SSI cash benefits in months worked, <b>OR</b> complete a 4-year degree program.
7th 12 Month Review:	Complete 6 months of work at SGA amount (refer to Form for amount) with no SSDI and/or SSI cash benefits in months worked. *

\* The guidelines for any subsequent 12-month Progress Review are the same as for the 7th 12-month Progress Review

OMB No. 0960-0644

## **Progress Review Form**

### Beneficiary: JOHN TICKETHOLDER Provider: DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Date: 05/30/2014

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please inform us of your progress during the timeframe shown below by completing one or more of the boxes in Sections A-C below. Check "Yes" or "No" and provide information on progress with work and earnings, education, or technical training when appropriate to indicate if you have met the Fifth 12-Month Progress Review requirements. Then sign, date, and return this form to Ticket to Work using the enclosed postage paid envelope or by fax at 703-893-4020. It is important that you respond within 30 days of the date on this form. You may retain a copy of this form for your records.

### Fifth 12-Month Progress Review Requirements

# **Between January 2013 and December 2013**

A. I worked 6 out of 12 months with gross earnings at or above \$ 936\* (For non-blind) in each month with no SSDI and/or SSI cash benefits in the months worked during the 12 month review period.

**Yes** 

 $\square$ No

OR

B. I completed a 4-year college program during the 12 month review period.
School Name:
Month and Year of Completion:
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# **Progress Review Form (continued)**

Beneficiary: JOHN TICKETHOLDER Provider: DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION Date: 05/30/2014

## Between January 2013 and December 2013

OR

C. I completed some credits in a 4-year college program during the 12 month review period.
Yes No
Number of Credits Completed: and number of credits needed to complete
program
School Name:

Sign and date this form and mail or fax back to us.

\* Amount represents 10% less than the Trial Work Level amount or the Substantial Gainful Activity amount for the progress review period.

I understand that if I make, or cause to be made, a representation which I know is false concerning the requirements of the Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency program, I could be punished by fine, or imprisonment or both

Beneficiary Signature

Date

Return this form to MAXIMUS within 30 days using the enclosed postage-paid envelope or by fax at 703-893-4020.

### Collection and Use of Information from Your Progress Review Form Privacy Act Statement

The Social Security Administration is authorized to collect the information on this form under Public Law 106-170 and §1148 of the Social Security Act. While furnishing the information on this form is voluntary, failure to provide all or part of the information on this form to the Social Security Administration will prevent review of your progress in the Ticket to Work Program. Although responses to these questions are voluntary, you will not be able to pass the progress review and remain excused from a medical review unless you answer the questions on this form.

Although the information you give us is almost never used for any other purpose than stated above, there is a possibility that for the administration of the Social Security programs or for the administration of programs requiring coordination with the Social Security Administration, information may be disclosed to another person or to another government agency as follows: (1) to another Federal, State, or local government agency for determining eligibility for a government benefit or program; (2) to a Congressional office requesting information on behalf of the program participant; (3) to a third party for the performance of research and statistical activities; and (4) to the Department of Justice for use in representing the Federal Government.

The information you provide may also be used without your consent in automated matching programs. These matching programs are computer comparisons of Social Security Administration records with records kept by other Federal agencies or State and local government agencies. Information from these matching programs can be used to establish or verify a person's eligibility for federally funded or administered benefit programs and for repayment of payments or delinquent debts under these programs.

We may also use the information you give us when we match records by computer. Matching programs compare our records with those of other Federal, State or local government agencies. Many agencies may use matching programs to find or prove that a person qualifies for benefits paid by the Federal government. The law allows us to do this even if you do not agree to it.

Explanations about these and other reasons why information you provide us may be used or given out are available in Social Security offices. If you want to learn more about this, contact any Social Security office.

### **Paperwork Reduction Act Notice**

This information collection meets the requirements of 44 U.S.C. §3507, as amended by section 2 of the <u>Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995</u>. You do not need to answer these questions unless we display a valid Office of Management and Budget control number. We estimate that it will take about 15 minutes to read the instructions, gather the facts, and answer the questions. **SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO TICKET TO WORK, PO BOX 1433, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313, OR FAX TO 703-893-4020.** You may send comments on our time estimate above to: SSA, 6401 Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401. Send <u>only</u> comments relating to our time estimate to this address, not the completed form.