

## Continued Payment under Vocational Rehabilitation or Similar Program (Section 301) (SSDI and SSI eligible)

### **How do I qualify for continued payment under Section 301?**

If we find that you are no longer disabled due to medical improvement, or if you are age 18 and we find that your eligibility ends because you do not meet the adult requirements for disability, your benefit payments usually stop. However, if you are participating in an appropriate program of vocational rehabilitation (VR) or similar services, your benefits may continue until your participation in the program ends. To qualify for continued payments under Section 301:

- You must be participating in an appropriate program of the VR or similar services that began before your disability ends under our rules; and
- We must review your program and decide that your continued participation in the program will increase the likelihood of your permanent removal from the disability benefit rolls.

### **What is an appropriate program of the VR or similar services?**

Here are some examples of appropriate programs:

- An individualized education program (IEP) for an individual age 18 through 21; or
- The Ticket to Work; or
- A Vocational Rehabilitation Agency using an individualized plan for employment (IPE); or
- Support services using an individualized written employment plan; or
- A Plan to Achieve Self-Support (PASS).

### **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 decide that your continued participation in the program will not increase the likelihood of your permanent removal from the disability benefit rolls.