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**QUALIFYING FOR SOCIAL SECURITY
BENEFITS AND LEARN MORE
ABOUT DISABILITY BENEFITS
AND MENTAL ILLNESSES**

For most of our newsletters, we sort through interesting and informative information that comes our way throughout the month. Then, we decide which articles to include based on your feedback, and we try to address the topics we are most often asked about. We are doing the same this month, but taking a slightly different approach.

Both articles for June focus not only on a particular topic, but on the Jan Dils team's approach to helping our clients in these particular areas, as well. Our first article provides an overview of additional benefits provided by Social Security. Many of our new clients are not aware that they may qualify for these, so we make sure to look at every individual case and fight for the maximum benefits.

The second article we have included in this month's newsletter deals with our team's experience and unique abilities in fighting for benefits for those who suffer from mental illness. Whether for yourself or for a loved one, the process of obtaining Social Security Disability benefits for a mental illness can be even more difficult. We have outlined some of the conditions that may qualify, along with a few examples of how we can help you through each step.

As always, if you have questions about the topics we have covered this month, feel free to give us a call or send an email through our website at www.JanDils.com. I hope you enjoy the different approach we have taken to our newsletter this month, and I hope you have an opportunity to enjoy some time with family and friends as summer "officially" begins!

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YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR MORE BENEFITS THAN YOU THINK

When clients come to us, they are often unaware that they could qualify to receive additional benefits beyond Social Security Disability. Here is a brief overview of the different types of benefits you may be entitled to:

Increased Monthly Income:

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) provides a regular monthly payment. This may also supplement any current disability benefits you are already receiving. It also provides annual cost-of-living increases. A portion of these benefits may be tax-free.

Medical Benefits:

Regardless of your age, after receiving SSDI benefits for 24 months, you are eligible for Medicare, including Part A (hospital benefits) and Part B (medical benefits).

Prescription Drug Coverage:

Once you are entitled to Medicare, you are also eligible for Medicare Part D, the prescription drug plan.

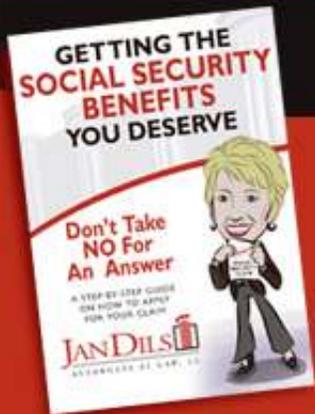
COBRA Extension:

If you receive Social Security disability benefits, the length of your COBRA benefits may also be extended an additional 11 months.

Protected Retirement Benefits:

Social Security disability entitlement "freezes" Social Security earnings records during your period of disability. Because those years will not be counted when computing future benefits, your Social Security retirement benefits will be higher.

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Dependent Benefits:

If you receive Social Security disability benefits and you have a dependent under age 18, he or she may also be eligible for benefits.

Return-to-Work Incentives:

Social Security will provide you with opportunities to return to work while still paying you disability benefits.

If you have questions or would like to find out more about the different benefits you may be eligible for, call our offices today. We are always happy to help make sure you are getting all of the benefits you are entitled to.

Source: <http://www.jandils.com/disability-benefits/additional-disability-benefits/>

**DISABILITY BENEFITS
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The already complex process of applying for Social Security disability benefits (SSD or SSI) can be even more difficult for people with mental illness. Without compassionate advocacy, people with mental illnesses may never be able to get access to SSD or SSI - the government's two main benefits programs for people with disabilities who are unable to work.

The Jan Dils team provides knowledgeable and compassionate legal assistance to people with all kinds of disabilities, and we have special experience helping people with mental illness complete applications and appeals for Social Security disability insurance (SSD) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

We recognize that people with mental illness may need special help with their SSD or SSI applications. We have decades of proven experience representing people with mental illnesses in the SSD and SSI application and appeals process.

- We know how to use medical records and independent medical examinations to prove that a person's mental illness makes him or her unable to work.
- We know how to build a strong case to prove that people with a wide range of mental illnesses are eligible for SSD or SSI.

Over more than a decade of practice, we have successfully helped clients with a wide range of mental illnesses successfully obtain their SSD and SSI benefits. Contact our office for a free initial consultation if you or a loved one suffer from any of the following and are unable to work:

- Psychosis
- Depression
- Personality disorder
- Schizophrenia
- Bipolar disorder
- Anxiety disorder
- Intermittent explosive disorder
- Obsessive-compulsive disorder

One of the many benefits of choosing the law firm of Jan Dils, Attorneys at Law, to handle an SSD or SSI case on behalf of a person with a disabling mental illness is that our experienced staff has extensive first-hand experience working with clients who have similar conditions. We understand the ways in which mental illnesses can be caused or worsened by physical disabilities.

We recognize that many of our mentally ill clients are unable to make appointments outside of their homes. For that reason, we conduct as many interviews as possible over the telephone, and we use the U.S. mail or the Internet to send required documents back and forth.

No matter how much work we put into a client's case, however, we never require attorneys' fees to be paid up front. Instead, our lawyers' fees are assessed as a percentage of any eventual award of disability benefits. If your case is unsuccessful, we do not collect any fees - no matter how much time and effort we spend on your case.

Feel free to call us at 1.877.526.3457 for immediate and knowledgeable advice about an SSD or SSI claim on behalf of a person disabled by mental illness. As always, we look forward to hearing from you.

Source: <http://www.jandils.com/disability-benefits/mental-illnesses/>

Jan Dils keeps you updated on Social Security disability benefits news and important issues that matter the most. We not only focus on Social Security Disability, we also provide legal assistance for Veterans Disability Benefits. We understand the claims process and specialize in making sure Veterans receive the proper representation needed for receiving benefits. For more information on our Veterans Disability services, please visit www.fight4vets.com

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