Division of Disability Determination Services

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services Economic Services Administration

Program Description

Within the Department of Social and Health Services' Economic Services Administration, the Division of Disability Determination Services makes determinations for individuals applying for Title II Social Security Disability, Title XVI Supplemental Security Income benefits and Title XIX State Medical Assistance claims.

Overview

DDDS provides medical eligibility determination for claims filed to the Social Security Administration for disability benefits by the residents of Washington state. The division serves Washington residents of all ages who meet the requirements under Section 221 (b) of the Social Security Act. DDDS has an annual budget of \$45,725,167 million federal dollars (FY2020). In 2020, DDDS served 57,486 individuals.

Program impact:

In federal fiscal year 2020, DDDS processed:

- 22,917 Title II-SSDI disability decisions.
- 22,083 Title XVI-SSI disability decisions.
- 1,156 Title XIX State Medical Assistance disability decisions.
- 11,330 Concurrent workload decisions.

As of August 2021:

- 156,902 Washingtonians receive an average of \$1,362 a month in Social Security Disability Insurance benefits, bringing \$213.7 million a month into communities throughout the state.
- 125,334 Washingtonians receive an average of \$605 a month in SSI benefits, bringing \$75.8 million a month into communities throughout the state.

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