SYSTEM NUMBER: 60-0118

SYSTEM NAME:

Non-Contributory Military Service Reimbursement System

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

None.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Social Security Administration, Office of Systems, 6401 Security Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21235.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

A sample of beneficiaries who have noncontributory military service wage credits.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Information in this system consists of the beneficiary's name and claim account number (CAN) (Social Security number (SSN) plus alphabetic symbol), information concerning covered earnings, benefits and payment status.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Sections 217, 229, and 231 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 417, 429 and 431).

PURPOSE(S):

Data in this system are used to determine amounts to be transferred between the Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance Trust Funds and the general fund of the Treasury, as required by section 217(g) of the Social Security Act.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Disclosure may be made for routine uses as indicated below:

1. To a congressional office in response to an inquiry from that office made at the request of the subject of a record.

2. To the General Services Administration and the National Archives Records Administration(NARA) under 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906, as amended by the NARA Act of 1984, information which is not restricted from disclosure by Federal law for the use of those agencies in conducting records management studies.

3. To student volunteers, individuals working under a personal services contract, and other workers who technically do not have the status of Federal employees, when they are performing work for the Social Security Administration (SSA), as authorized by law, and they need access to personally identifiable information in SSA records in order to perform their assigned Agency functions.

4. To the Secretary of Health and Human Services or to any State, the Commissioner shall disclose any record or information requested in writing by the Secretary for the purpose of administering any program administered by the Secretary, if records or information of such type were so disclosed under applicable rules, regulations and procedures in effect before the date of enactment of the Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act of 1994.

5. To the Office of the Actuary, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), a list of Claim Account Numbers (CAN) for which it has been determined that the corresponding workers would have been uninsured in the absence of military service wage credits. CMS, using CMS data pertaining to these CANs, determines the amount to be transferred between the Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the general fund of the Treasury under section 217(g) of the Social Security Act.

6. We may disclose information to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, entities, and persons when (1) we suspect or confirm that the security or confidentiality of information in this system of records has been compromised; (2) we determine that as a result of the suspected or confirmed compromise there is a risk of harm to economic or property interests, identity theft or fraud, or harm to the security or integrity of this system or other systems or programs of SSA that rely upon the compromised information; and (3) we determine that disclosing the information to such agencies, entities, and persons is necessary to assist in our efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed compromise and prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm. SSA will use this routine use to respond only to those incidents involving an unintentional release of its records.

7. To another Federal agency or Federal entity, when SSA determines that information from this system of record is reasonably necessary to assist the recipient agency or entity in:

(a) responding to a suspected or confirmed breach; or

(b) preventing, minimizing, or remedying the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security, resulting from a suspected or confirmed breach.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Data are stored on magnetic media tape and/or disc.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Data in the system are retrieved by the CAN (SSN plus alphabetic symbol).

SAFEGUARDS:

System security has been established in accordance with the Systems Security Handbook. This includes retaining all magnetic tape files in secure storage areas accessible only to authorized persons who have a need for the files to perform their assigned duties and informing all employees having access to records of the criminal sanctions for unauthorized disclosure of information about individuals. Access <u>http://www.socialsecurity.gov/foia/bluebook</u>_for additional information relating to SSA data security measures.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

This system is updated annually. The records are retained indefinitely.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS(ES):

Deputy Chief Actuary, Short-Range Estimates, Office of the Actuary, Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21235.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

An individual can determine if this system contains a record about him/her by writing to the system manager(s) at the above address and providing his/her name, SSN or other information that may be in the system of records that will identify him/her. An individual requesting notification of records in person should provide the same information, as well as provide an identity document, preferably with a photograph, such as a driver's license or some other means of identification. If an individual does not have any identification documents sufficient to establish his/her identity, the individual must certify in writing that he/she is the person claimed to be and that he/she understands that the knowing and willful request for, or acquisition of, a record pertaining to another individual under false pretenses is a criminal offense.

If notification is requested by telephone, an individual must verify his/her identity by providing identifying information that parallels information in the record to which notification is being requested. If it is determined that the identifying information provided by telephone is insufficient, the individual will be required to submit a request in writing or in person. If an individual is requesting information by telephone on behalf of another individual, the subject individual must be connected with SSA and the requesting individual in the same phone call.

SSA will establish the subject individual's identity (his/her name, SSN, address, date of birth and place of birth, along with one other piece of information, such as mother's maiden name) and ask for his/her consent in providing information to the requesting individual.

If a request for notification is submitted by mail, an individual must include a notarized statement to SSA to verify his/her identity or must certify in the request that he/she is the person claimed to be and that he/she understands that the knowing and willful request for, or acquisition of, a record pertaining to another individual under false pretenses is a criminal offense. These procedures are in accordance with SSA Regulations (20 CFR 401.40(c)).

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Same as Notification procedures. Requesters should also reasonably specify the record contents being sought. These procedures are in accordance with SSA Regulations (20 CFR 401.40(c)).

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Same as Notification procedures. Requesters should also reasonably identify the record, specify the information they are contesting and the corrective action sought, and the reasons for the correction, with supporting justification showing how the record is incomplete, untimely, inaccurate or irrelevant. These procedures are in accordance with SSA Regulations (20 CFR 401.65(a)).

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Data in this system are derived from information in other SSA systems of records (e.g., the Earnings Recording and Self-Employment Income System, 60-0059, Claims Folders System, 60-0089 and the Master Beneficiary Record, 60-0090).

SYSTEM EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT:

None.