

CFR §§ 404.1505 and 404.1520 (for title II), 416.905 and 416.920 (for SSI adults), and 416.906 and 416.924 (for children claiming SSI benefits based on disability).

The listings are divided into Part A and Part B. Part A contains medical criteria that we use to evaluate claims filed by individuals age 18 and over. The Part A listings can also apply to children if the disease processes have a similar effect on adults and younger persons. Part B contains medical criteria that apply *only* to children. In both parts, the impairments are grouped by major body systems; e.g., musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, and mental. More complete explanations of the listings and their role in the disability evaluation process are set out in 20 CFR §§ 404.1525 and 404.1526 (for title II) and 20 CFR §§ 416.925, 416.926, and 416.926a (for SSI).

Section 100.00 of the listings is in Part B and contains the medical criteria we use to evaluate linear growth impairments in children. Section 100.00 consists of a preface that explains key concepts used in the section, and two growth impairment listings: 100.02 and 100.03. Listings 100.02 and 100.03 involve only linear growth impairments; i.e., impairments that affect a child's length or height. We also refer to the growth impairment listings in other Part B body systems listings for cases in which certain specified disease processes cause impaired linear growth. For example, in the cardiovascular body system, listing 104.06G provides criteria for evaluating congenital heart disease that is accompanied by growth failure "as described in 100.00." When we revise the current growth impairment listings, we may also have to revise the body system listings that refer to the growth impairment listings.

Other listings do not refer to the linear growth impairment listings in section 100.00, but include weight-related growth criteria. For example, listing 103.02E.6 contains criteria for evaluating bronchopulmonary dysplasia that is accompanied by involuntary weight loss or failure to gain weight at an appropriate rate for the child's age. Several other listings, including listings 104.02D, 105.08, and 114.08I, also include weight-related growth criteria. If we include weight-related criteria in the revised growth impairment listings, we may also have to revise those body system listings that now include weight-related criteria.

We first published the Part B childhood listings, including the growth impairment listings, in the **Federal Register** on March 16, 1977 (42 FR 14705). We made minor changes to the

growth impairment listings on December 6, 1985 (50 FR 50068). Since 1985, we have extended the expiration date for the growth impairment listings without making further revisions. Currently, the growth impairment listings will no longer be effective on July 2, 2001, unless we extend, revise or promulgate them again by publication of a final rule in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 29786). We plan to revise the current growth impairment listings before they expire on July 2, 2001.

We will make revisions to ensure that the criteria in the listings reflect any advances in medical knowledge regarding children with linear growth impairments, and to ensure that the criteria in the listings reflect a level of severity that results in "marked and severe functional limitations."

Request for Comments

Information about growth impairments in children, especially the functional consequences of such impairments, is not readily available. Therefore, we are using this method of requesting comments before formally proposing any revisions to the listings. We want to give interested members of the public an early opportunity to provide us with information about growth impairments in children as we begin the rulemaking process. We are asking experts on growth impairments in children and other interested members of the public for ideas about how we should revise the existing growth impairment listings, including the material in the preface. We are particularly interested in determining if any scientific research shows a relationship between growth impairments and loss of functioning, and whether and how impaired linear growth affects a child's functioning.

In addition, we are interested in comments on whether the criteria for evaluating weight-related impaired growth or failure to thrive in children should be included in revised growth impairment listings, or included in other body system listings as they are now. We are interested in any suggestions about revising those portions of the other body system listings that directly reference the linear growth impairment listings, or that mention a child's growth (including weight) without specifying linear growth or the growth impairment listings.

We will consider your comments along with other information, such as medical research, and our program experience. Based on all of that information, we will decide how to revise the growth impairment listings.

We will not respond to your comments directly. However, when we propose revisions to the growth impairment listings, we will publish a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in the **Federal Register** and include a formal request for comments. In that case, we will consider and respond to significant comments that we receive in response to the NPRM when we issue any final rules.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Programs Nos. 96.001, Social Security-Disability Insurance; and 96.006, Supplemental Security Income)

List of Subjects

20 CFR Part 404

Administrative practice and procedure, Blind, Old-age, Survivors and Disability benefits, Old-age, Survivors and Disability Insurance, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Social Security.

20 CFR Part 416

Administrative practice and procedure, Aged, Blind, Disability benefits, Public assistance programs, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

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Kenneth S. Apfel,

Commissioner of Social Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

29 CFR Part 1910

[Docket No. S-777]

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Ergonomics Program

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Department of Labor.

ACTION: Proposed rule: change of location of informal public hearing; change of date for notices of intention to appear.

SUMMARY: OSHA is changing the location of the informal public hearing

on the economic impact of the Agency's proposed Ergonomics Program Standard on State and local governments, the United States Postal Service (USPS), and the railroads. OSHA is also extending the date for Notices of Intention to Appear at the informal public hearing. The supplemental analysis of the impacts of the proposed rule on these three groups is in the public docket of this rulemaking, Docket S-777, Exhibit 28-15. The hearing will be held on the date planned, July 7, 2000, but the location of the hearing has been changed.

The broader context for OSHA's actions can be found in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, published in the **Federal Register** of November 23, 1999 (64 FR 65768). The procedures followed at the July 7 continuation of the public hearing will be the same as those used in the previous nine weeks of public hearings on the proposed ergonomics standard (see OSHA's home page at www.osha.gov or 65 FR 11948; March 7, 2000).

DATES: *Notice of Intention To Appear at the Informal Public Hearing:* The deadline for the submission of notices of intention to appear at the informal public hearing has been extended; notices must be postmarked no later than June 21, 2000, and public comments on the issues raised by the economic analysis of the standard's impacts on the three groups must be postmarked no later than June 22, 2000. If you submit a notice of intention to appear by facsimile or electronically through OSHA's Internet site, you must transmit the notice by June 21, 2000.

Pre-Hearing Comments: Written comments addressing the economic impacts of the rule in these industries must be postmarked no later than June 22, 2000. If you submit comments by facsimile or electronically through OSHA's Internet site, you must transmit those comments by June 22, 2000.

Hearing Testimony and Documentary Evidence: If you will be requesting more than 10 minutes for your oral presentation at the hearing, you must submit the full testimony, postmarked no later than June 27, 2000, or if you will be submitting documentary evidence at the hearing, you must submit all of that evidence, postmarked no later than June 27, 2000.

Informal Public Hearing: The public hearing will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, beginning at 9:00 a.m., on July 7, 2000 and is expected to conclude that day.

Post-hearing Comments: Written post-hearing comments must be postmarked no later than August 10, 2000. If you submit comments by facsimile or

electronically through OSHA's Internet site, you must transmit those comments no later than August 10, 2000. The publication of this document and the related public hearing do not affect the 90-day period established earlier for post-hearing submissions related to the proposed Ergonomics Program Standard (65 FR 11948, March 7, 2000). That period also ends on August 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: *Written Comments: Mail:* Submit four copies of written comments to: OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. S-777, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210; telephone (202) 693-2350.

Facsimile: If your written comments are 10 pages or less, you may fax them to the Docket Office. The OSHA Docket Office fax number is (202) 693-1648.

Electronic: You may also submit comments electronically through OSHA's Homepage at www.osha.gov. Please note that you may not attach materials such as studies or journal articles to your electronic comments. If you wish to include such materials, you must submit them separately in duplicate to the OSHA Docket Office at the address listed above. When submitting such materials to the OSHA Docket Office, you must clearly identify your electronic comments by name, date, and subject, so that we can attach them to your electronic comments.

Notice of Intention to Appear: Mail: Notices of intention to appear at the informal public hearing may be submitted by mail in quadruplicate to: Ms. Veneta Chatmon, OSHA Office of Public Affairs, Docket No. S-777, U.S. Department of Labor, 2000 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room N-3647, Washington, D.C. 20210; Telephone: (202) 693-2119.

Facsimile: You may fax your notice of intention to appear to Ms. Chatmon at (202) 693-1634.

Electronic: You may also submit your notice of intention to appear electronically through OSHA's Homepage at www.osha.gov.

Hearing Testimony and Documentary Evidence: You must submit in quadruplicate your hearing testimony and any documentary evidence you intend to present at the informal public hearing to Ms. Veneta Chatmon, OSHA Office of Public Affairs, Docket No. S-777, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3647, 200 Constitution Ave, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 693-2119. You may also submit your hearing testimony and documentary evidence on disk (3½ inch) in WP 5.1, 6.0, 6.1, 8.0 or ASCII, provided you also send the original hardcopy at the same time.

Informal Public Hearing: The one-day public hearing to be held in Atlanta, Georgia will be located in Conference Rooms B&C of the Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth St., S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OSHA's Ergonomics Team at (202) 693-2116, or visit the OSHA Homepage at www.osha.gov.

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Signed at Washington, DC, this 8th day of June, 2000.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

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Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan for Utah: Transportation Control Measures

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve revisions to the Utah State Implementation Plan (SIP) that incorporate a new transportation control measure (TCM) in Utah County. Approval of this TCM as part of the Utah SIP would mean that this measure will receive priority for funding, and that it may proceed in the event of a transportation conformity lapse. We are proposing to approve this SIP revision under sections 110(k) and 176 of the Clean Air Act. Additional information is available at the address indicated below. In the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial revision and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this rule. If EPA receives