WHAT'S NEW AT SSA FOR 2017?

SSA increased the <u>Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA)</u> amount for individuals with disabilities, other than blindness, from \$1,130/mo. to <u>\$1,170/mo.</u> for 2017. They increased the **SGA** amount for individuals who are blind from \$1,820/mo. to **\$1,950/mo.** for 2017.

SSA increased the monthly earnings amount that they use to determine if a month counts for the **Trial Work Period (TWP)** from \$810/mo. to **\$840/mo.** for 2017.

For 2017, SSA increased the <u>Supplemental Security Income</u> (SSI) Federal Benefit Rates (FBR) from \$733/mo. to <u>\$735/mo.</u> for an eligible individual and from \$1,100/mo. to <u>\$1,103/mo.</u> for an eligible couple.

For 2017, SSA increased amounts for the <u>Student Earned-Income Exclusion</u>. The monthly amount was increased from \$1,780 to <u>\$1,790</u> and the yearly maximum from \$7,180 to <u>\$7,200</u>.

For 2017, the <u>Kentucky state threshold</u> for <u>Medicaid while</u> working – 1619(b) is \$29,954/yr.