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General Comment

In regard to the Social Security administration's request for feedback about how long it takes to fill out an application: it takes far longer than the estimated one hour. For me personally, with the help of my perfectly healthy husband, it took me over a week. This is because I cannot look at screens, and because we had to gather the appropriate information to include. I had to stop and rest so many times during the process Which contributed to how long it took. The entire experience was extremely stressful and monopolized my entire week, leaving me unable to do anything Else including basic self-care tasks that week. I was rejected almost immediately and had to go through the entire process again with the appeal. There are many people who don't even try to fill out the application because they know how stressful it will be. Perhaps that is the entire intention in the first place ? In total it probably took me, with help, about 6 hours to fill out the actual application And about three hours gathering information for it. That occurred over the span of a whole week.