



SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

ISSUE: GENDER CHANGES ON SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNTS

POLICY DESCRIPTION: The Social Security Administration (SSA) requires that transgender people show that they have had sexual reassignment surgery before they can change the gender marker on their social security account. (Gender is not on the social security card.)

Recommendation: We recommend that SSA eliminate the outdated surgery requirement so that individuals can update their SSA records to reflect their accurate and appropriate gender in which they live.