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DI 26510.090 Completing Items 30-33 (Disability Examiner - DDS/Date/Physician or Medical Specialist Signature/Date/Physician or Medical Specialist Specialty Name and Code) on the SSA-831

A. Items 30-33 Signature And Date

- Item 30 - Disability examiner signs.
- Item 31 - Date disability examiner signed the determination.
- Item 32 - Physician or medical specialist signs.
- Item 33 - Date physician or medical specialist signed the determination.

For electronic processing, see "Electronic Case Closure" in DI 81020.130.

NOTE: Determination forms prepared electronically using a case processing system with approved electronic signatures do not require a "wet" signature.

B. Item 32A - DDS “Physician Or Medical Specialist Name”

- Print type or rubber stamp the physician or medical specialist’s name.
- Stamp the folder copy only if a rubber stamp is used.

For electronic processing, see “Electronic Case Closure” in DI 81020.130.

C. Item 32B - Medical “Specialty Code”

- Enter the medical specialty code of the reviewing physician.
- Use the chart in section D (Description of medical specialty codes) as a guide.

For electronic processing, the medical specialty code is propagated from the DDS case processing system.

1. Multiple medical specialists

Enter the medical specialty most closely related to the case in Item 32B, if the reviewing physician has multiple specialties.

2. Initialing and dating SSA-4268-U4/C4, “Explanation of Determination”

The examiner and reviewing physician must initial and date any continuation sheet (i.e., SSA-4268-U4/C4).

For electronic signatures, see eForms, DI 81020.105.

D. Description Of Medical Specialty Codes – Use In Item 32B

Code	Specialty
01	Anesthesiology
02	Ambulatory Medicine
03	Audiology
04	Cardiology
05	Cardiopulmonary

Code	Specialty
06	Dermatology
07	E.E.N.T.
08	E.N.T.
09	E.T.
10	Emergency Room Medicine
11	Endocrinology
12	Family or General Practice
13	Gastroenterology
14	Geriatrics
15	Gynecology
16	Hematology
17	Industrial Medicine
18	Infectious Diseases
19	Internal Medicine
20	Neurology
21	Neuro-Ophthalmology
22	Neuro-Psychiatry
23	Neonatology
24	Nephrology
25	Obstetrics
26	Occupational Medicine
27	Oncology
28	Ophthalmology
29	Orthopedics
30	Osteopathy
31	Pathology

Code	Specialty
32	Pediatrics
33	Physiatry
34	Physical Medicine
35	Plastic Surgery
36	Preventive Medicine
37	Psychiatry
38	Psychology
39	Public Health
40	Pulmonary
41	Radiology
42	Rehabilitative Medicine
43	Rheumatology
44	Special Senses
45	Surgery
46	Urology
47	Other
48	Speech - Language Pathology
49	Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

E. Reference

DI 26510.089, Documentation of Medical Consultant's (MC's)/Psychological Consultant's (PC's) Determination on the SSA-for instructions on signature requirements.

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