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Q. My husband had major surgery recently and has to go to see his doctor next week for a post-operative checkup. I'm worried about his making the trip in our car. Will Medicare pay for an ambulance from our house to the doctor's office?

A. No. Medicare's medical insurance does not pay for ambulance transportation from your house to a doctor's office. Under certain circumstances, medical insurance will help pay for ambulance travel from the scene of an accident to a hospital, from your house to a hospital or skilled nursing facility, between hospitals and skilled nursing facilities or from a hospital or skilled nursing facility to your house.

Q. I've been getting SSI checks for the past 4 years. Every year my Social Security office has me come in and fill out the same papers with the same information. Is all this really necessary?

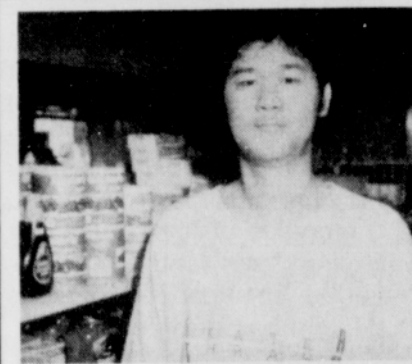
A. Yes, it is. SSI is a program for people who are 65 or over, blind, and disabled and is based on need. To be sure that you're being paid correctly, your case must be reviewed from time to time.

Q. I just started getting SSI, and I am surprised at all the changes and events that I'm supposed to report. Do I have to appear in person every time I have a report to make?

A. No. You may report any change to Social Security by either phone or letter.



John E. Jacob, president of the National Urban League, (right), and John P. Mascotte, Chairman, The Continental Corporation, review a copy of "Career Paths," a new guide that lists business internships and other educational opportunities available to minority students nationwide.



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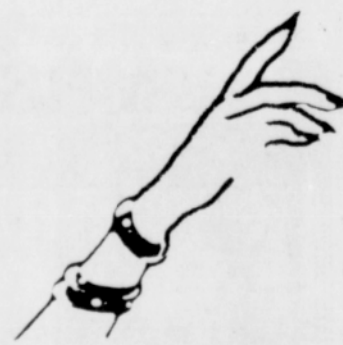
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