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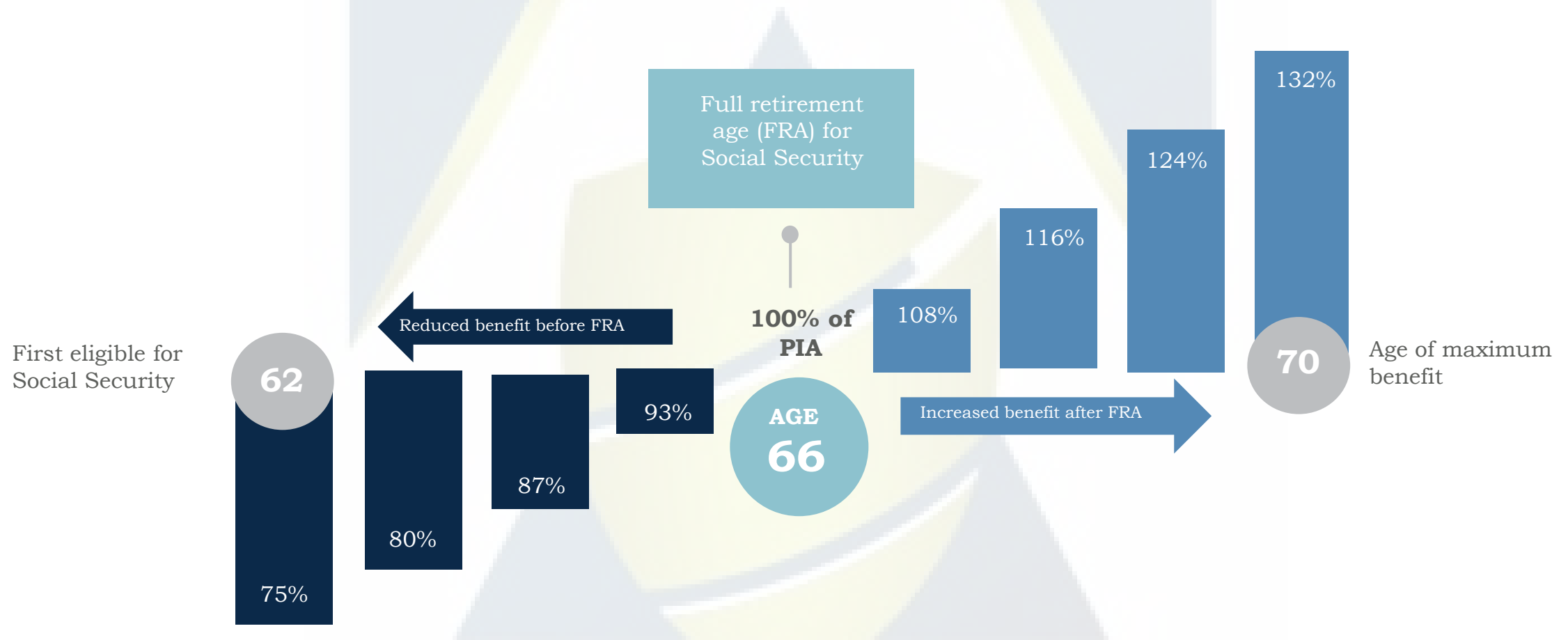
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Social Security

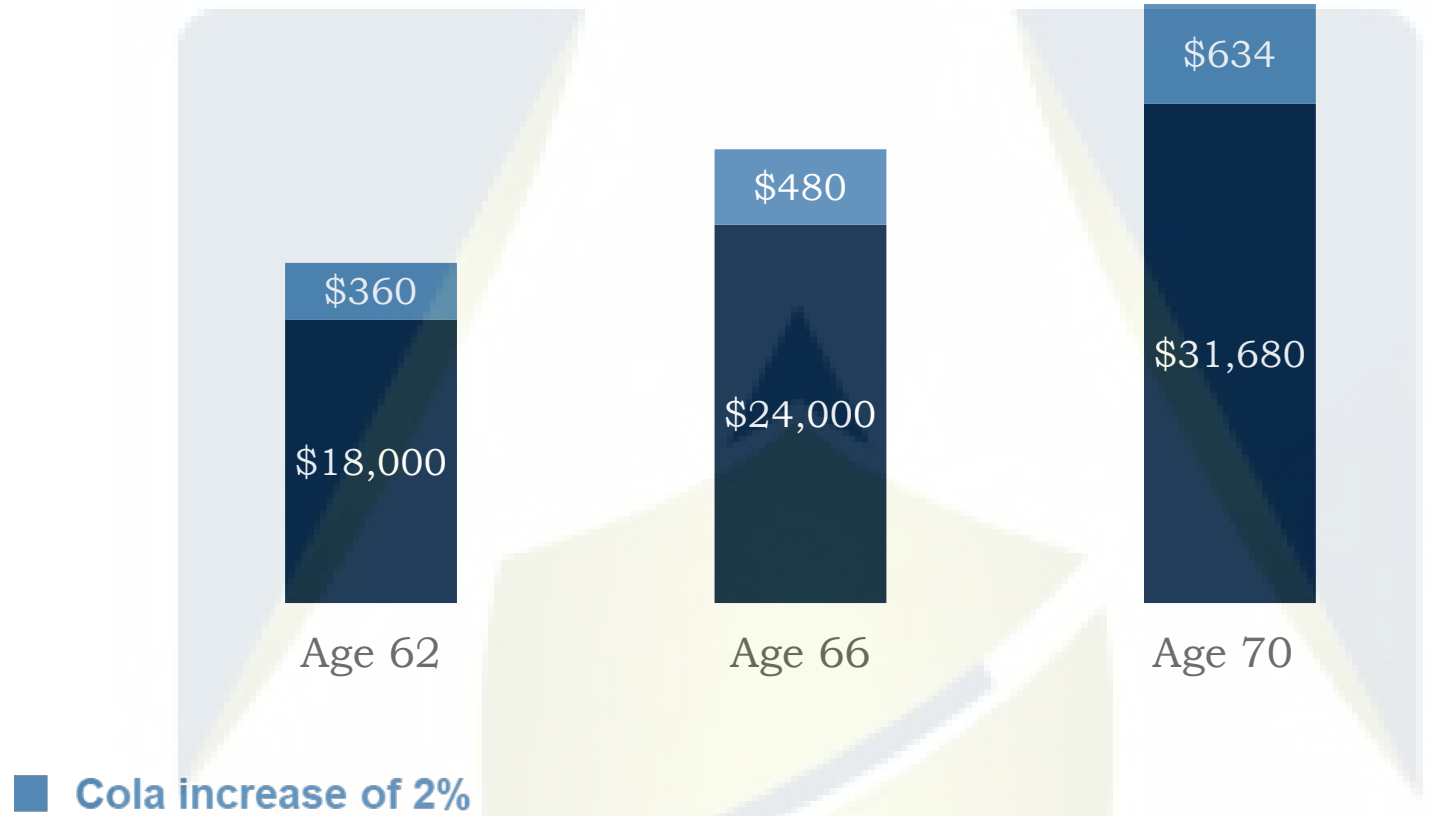
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Early vs. Delayed Filing

Percentage of PIA by filing age, assuming FRA is at age 66



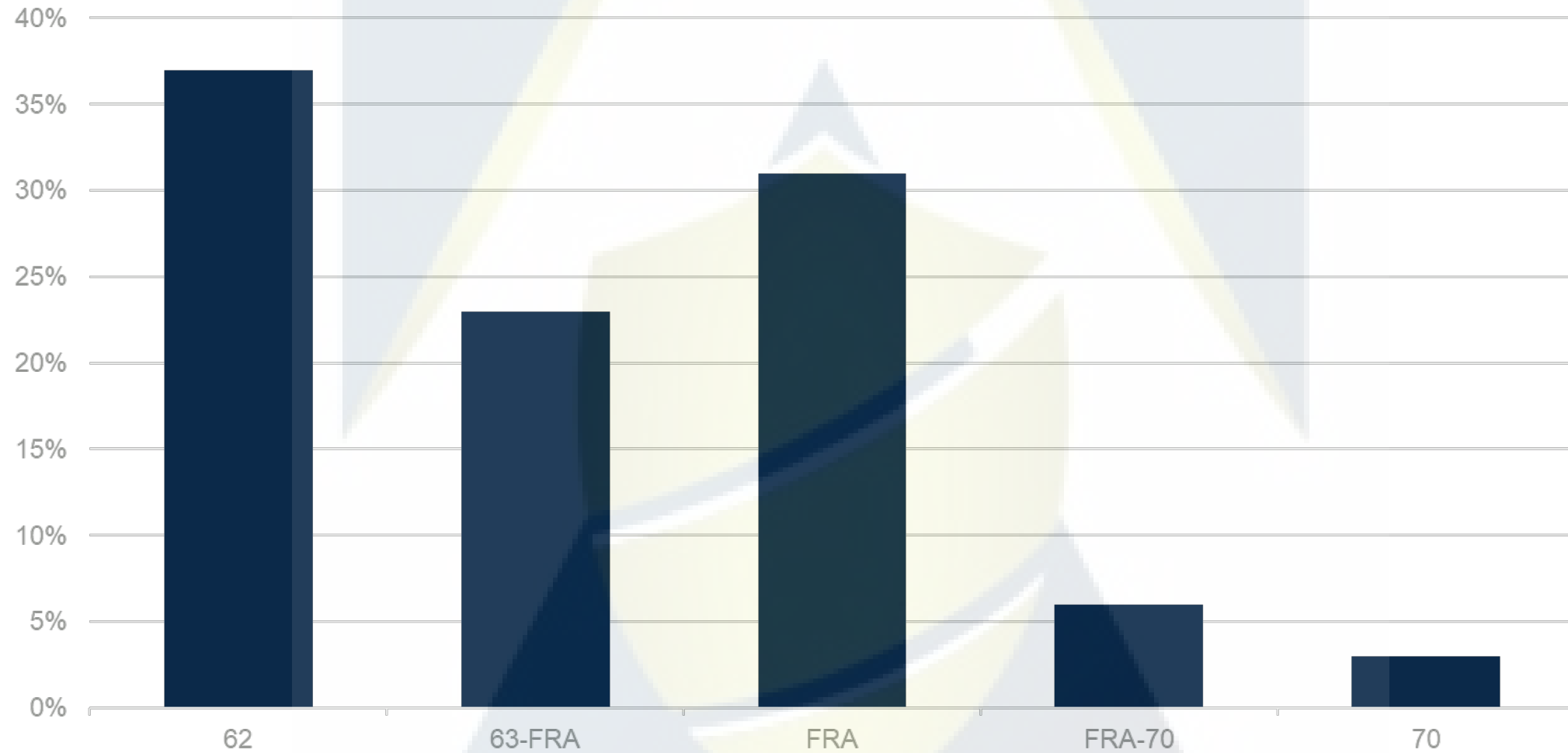
Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)



■ Annual benefit amount

- Annual inflation adjustment to Social Security benefits
- All recipients receive the same COLA % increase, but those with higher benefits receive a larger dollar increase.

Social Security Filing by Age



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Sources: Social Security Administration, 2019 ; FRA = Full retirement age. For this data, FRA is 66.

Taxation of Social Security Benefits

Taxation of benefits is determined by your provisional income

Provisional income =



Adjusted gross income

+



Tax-exempt interest

+



1/2 Social Security benefits

Up to 85% of benefits can be taxed

Single

> \$34,000

\$25,000 - \$34,000

< \$25,000

Married Filing Jointly

> \$44,000

\$32,000 - \$44,000

< \$32,000

Up to 85% Taxable

Up to 50% Taxable

Benefits not taxed

Social Security: Spousal Benefits

Married individuals can collect Social Security on their spouse's earning record if:

- They have been married for at least one year and are at least age 62 (unless caring for a child under age 16 or a child with a disability)
- The other spouse has started collecting their individual benefits

Their Social Security will be based on the PIA of the spouse who has already filed to receive their benefits.

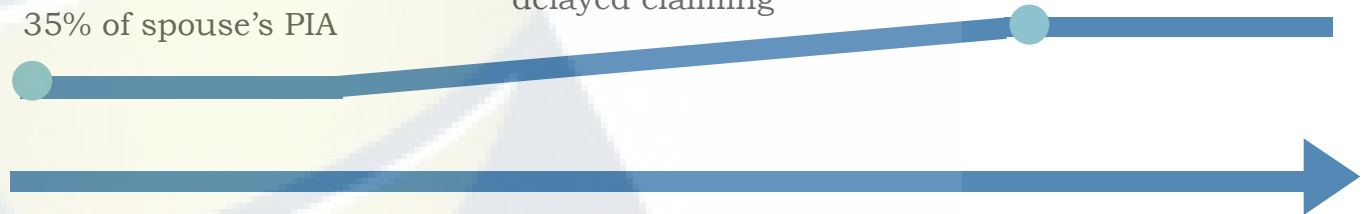


Once the higher earner starts collecting individual benefits, the spousal benefits can begin as early as age 62

Age 62
35% of spouse's PIA

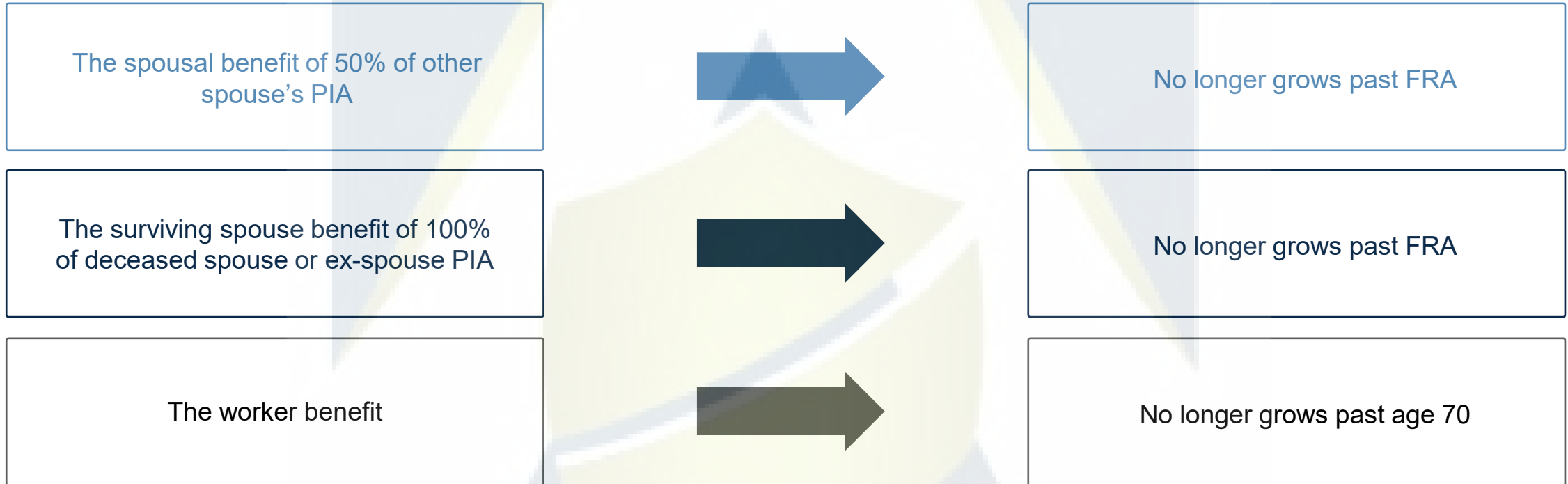
Monthly increases for delayed claiming

FRA
50% of spouse's PIA
Max spousal benefit



When certain benefits “mature”

It is important to understand when certain Social Security benefits mature:



If you wait to apply for these benefits past their maturity ages, you could be throwing away money.



Limited Strategies

- As of April 30, 2016, the strategy known as “file and suspend” was eliminated.
- “Restricted application” concept lives on.

April - 2016						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Spousal benefits – restricted application

Birthday must be
before January 2, 1954



One spouse must file
for Social Security



Other spouse may file
a restricted application
for spousal benefits
(after FRA)

Word to the wise:

The spouse taking the restricted application should switch over to a fully maximized work record benefit at age 70. This does not happen automatically.

Restricted Application

- Married
- Ken is 67 and was born on December 1, 1954
- Kathy is 68 and was born on December 1, 1953
- Retired, assumed to live to 90
- Ken is currently receiving \$12,000 per year in benefits
- Kathy's primary insurance amount is \$30,000

Restricted application opportunity:

- Ken filed for his work benefit amount; Kathy is waiting until 70
- Instead, Kathy can file a restricted application for spousal benefits
- At 70, Kathy can refile for her maximized benefit amount
- At that time, Ken should refile for spousal benefits on Kathy

Case Study

YEAR	2021	2022	2023
AGES/EVENT	68 / 67	69 / 68	70 / 69
KATHY	\$5,923	\$6,053	\$41,362
KEN	\$12,000	\$12,264	\$15,667

Case Study



	STRATEGY USED IN SCENARIO	AS SOON AS POSSIBLE	AT RETIREMENT	AT FRA	AT AGE 70
STARTING AGE					
KATHY	70	68	68	68	70
KEN	67	67	67	67	70
FIRST YEAR BENEFIT					
KATHY	\$5,923	\$34,800	\$34,800	\$30,000	\$39,600
KEN	\$12,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$12,000
TOTAL LIFETIME BENEFIT (IN CURRENT DOLLARS)	\$1,222,046	\$1,180,200	\$1,180,200	\$1,065,000	\$1,210,200

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Divorced Spousal Benefits

A divorced spouse can receive benefits* on an ex-spouse's earnings record if:

- They were married for at least 10 years
- The divorced spouse is currently unmarried
- Both are at least age 62
- Ex-spouse does not have to file beyond two years after divorce
- There is no impact on the ex-spouse's benefit

Divorced spousal benefits are similar to regular spousal benefits. But one advantage is not having to wait for the ex-spouse to claim their benefits first.

*This benefit is not payable if the divorced spouse is remarried, unless the marriage is to a person receiving benefits as a widow, widower, parents or disabled adult child.

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Divorced Spousal Benefit Strategies

Claim spousal benefit from ex-spouse if:

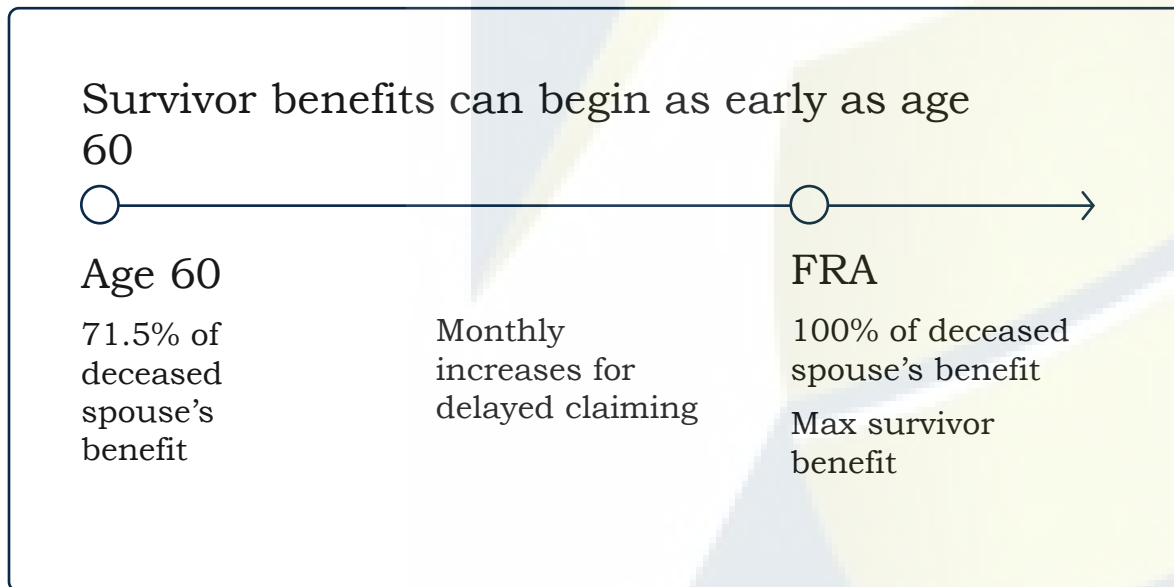
Half of their benefit is more than 100% of your own work benefit.

File a “restricted application” for spousal benefits only at FRA

Then switch to a fully maximized work benefit at age 70 (must be born before January 2, 1954)

Social Security: Surviving Spouse Benefits

- They were married for at least nine months.
- They are at least 60 years old – unless they have a disability (in which case, they have to be age 50) or are caring for the deceased spouse's child.
- They have not remarried prior to age 60.



Divorced spouses qualify for Social Security benefits if they were married for more than 10 years, **even if they remarry after age 60.**
But you have to file for this benefit in order to receive it.

*This benefit is not payable if the divorced spouse is remarried, unless the marriage is to a person receiving benefits as a widow, widower, parents or disabled adult child.

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Survivor Benefits – A Common Question

Question

My grandmother-in-law just passed away and I discovered she had only been receiving benefits based on her work history, which was minimal, instead of her ex-husband's, to whom she was married for over 40 years.

Her ex-husband passed away over eight years ago. Is there anything our family would be entitled to?

Answer

Sadly, according to the Social Security Administration (SSA), no one is entitled to the missed money.

Survivor Benefit Strategies

Strategy 1:

- Begin survivor benefits as early as 60
- Own work benefit grows until 70
- Switch to maximized work benefits

Strategy 2:

- Begin work benefit as early as 62
- Survivor benefit grows until 66 (or FRA)
- Switch to maximized survivor benefit

Note: Must be mindful of earned income test

Survivor Benefit Planning

If spouse waits until FRA or later to file



Surviving spouse gets 100% of what they were receiving (or due to receive, if not filed yet)

If spouse dies before taking SS and before FRA



Surviving spouse receives their full PIA

If spouse dies after taking SS but before FRA



Surviving spouse receives what they were receiving or 82.5% of their full PIA, whichever is greater

Roth Conversion to Reduce Taxes Over Lifetime

Mike Villeneuve

Investment Horizon

- Long enough to reap benefits of tax-free growth

Diversification

- Ordinary Income
(SSA/Pension/Annuity/IRA)
- Taxed as Capital Gain
- Tax-Free



Retirement Income Planning & Tax

- Pre vs. Post Retirement Taxable Income
- Pre vs. Post RMDs
- Social Security
- Sunsetting of 2017 Tax Law
- Married vs. Single Filer
 - John & Jane Doe – 24% bracket
 - John Passes
 - Jane Doe AGI of \$275,000 = 35%



Medicare Premium Thresholds (IRMAA)

- Avoid Surprises
 - Consideration for lumping conversions into one year
 - Don't lose sight of thresholds when doing annual conversions



Individual	Joint	Monthly Premium
\$91,000 or less	\$182,000 or less	\$170.10
> \$91,000 – \$114,000	> \$182,000 – \$228,000	\$238.10
> \$114,000 – \$142,000	> \$228,000 – \$284,000	\$340.20
> \$142,000 – \$170,000	> \$284,000 – \$340,000	\$442.30
> \$170,000 – \$500,000	> \$340,000 – \$750,000	\$544.30
Greater than \$500,000	Greater than \$750,000	\$578.30

The information listed above is hypothetical.
Graph provided by: <https://www.medicareresources.org/medicare-eligibility-and-enrollment/what-is-the-income-related-monthly-adjusted-amount-irmaa/>

Charitable

- Tax Deferred assets whenever possible

Estate Tax

- Are clients concerned about taxes to heirs?
- Could reduce estate by the amount of taxes paid on conversion offsetting future estate taxes.



Timing

- Market Up
 - Future RMDs will be more
- Market Down
 - Tax-Free growth on converted assets
- Early or Late in Year
 - How certain is tax planning for the year?



5 Year Rule

- Over 59 ½
 - Held 5 years – not subject to tax or penalty
 - Not held 5 years – Subject to tax on earnings unless exception applies – no penalty
- Under 59 ½ - with exception
 - Held 5 years – Not subject to tax or penalty on earnings
 - Not held 5 years – Subject to tax on earnings – no penalty
- Under 59 ½ - No Exception
 - Subject to tax & penalty on earnings regardless of 5-year hold.

Charitable Gifting Strategies

Taylor Helgeson



Appreciated Stock

- Results in larger donation for the charity
- Fund must be held for a year
- Limited to 30% adjusted gross income



Qualified Charitable Distributions

- Donated from an IRA account
- Starts at age 70 ½
- Can donate up to \$100,000 from IRA per year.
- Must go directly to the charity to be exempt from reporting.



Donor Advised Funds

- Can donate to multiple charities
- Immediate tax benefit up to 60% adjusted gross income, anything above 60% can be carried over up to 5 years
 - Can distribute as desired
- Contribution amounts



Donor Advised Funds

- Planning Opportunity

- Offset gains recognized due to a sale
- Make a deductible contribution beneficial

	\$10,000 Donation Every Year	\$100,000 Donation One Year
SALT Deduction	\$10,000	\$10,000
Charitable Donation	\$10,000	\$100,000
Itemized Deduction	\$20,000	\$110,000
Standard Deduction	\$25,900	\$25,900
Deduction Taken	\$25,900	\$110,000
Tax Benefit of Charitable Contribution	\$0	\$84,100

Information provided by: <https://www.sdfoundation.org/news-events/sdf-news/what-to-know-about-donor-advised-funds-in-2022-rules-tax-deductions-comparisons-and-more/#:~:text=Donor%2DAdvised%20Fund%20Tax%20Deductions&text=Donating%20cash%2C%20via%20check%20or,of%20your%20adjusted%20gross%20income.>

The information in the graph above is hypothetical.

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Long-term Care

William L. Bowman, CPA



What is Long-term Care?

Funds ongoing services and support needed by people who have chronic health conditions or disabilities.

Levels of long-term care.

- **Skilled Care:** Around the clock care given by professional health care providers.
- **Intermediate Care:** Same as skilled but on a less frequent basis.
- **Custodial Care:** Assistance with what are called “activities of daily living” such as bathing, eating, and dressing. Often given by family caregivers, nurses’ aides, or home health workers.



What is Long-term Care?

Long-term care is provided in

- Nursing homes
- Home-based care (the most common)
- Assisted living facilities
- Adult day care centers



Why is it important to plan for Long-Term Care?

No one expects to need long-term care, but it's important to plan for it, nonetheless. Here are two important reasons why:



1. The odds of needing Long-term care are high

- Approximately 52% of people will need long-term care at some point during their lifetimes after reaching age 65
- Approximately 8% of people between ages 40 and 50 will have a disability that may require long-term care services.



2. The cost of Long-term care can be expensive

Some of the average costs in the United States for long-term care include:

Semi-private

- \$8,145 per month, or \$97,740 per year (a 2.99% increase from 2021)

Private

- \$9,305 per month or \$111,660 per year (a 2.99% increase since 2021)

Assisted Living facility

- \$4,635 per month or \$55,620 per year (a 3% increase since 2021)

Adult day health care center

- \$1,741 per month or \$20,892 per year (a 3.1% increase since 2021)

Every day until 2030, 10,000 Baby Boomers will turn 65



Doesn't Medicare pay for long-term care?

Medicare

Provides only limited coverage for long-term care services such as skilled nursing care or physical therapy. It doesn't cover custodial care, the type of care older individuals most often need.

Medicaid

The joint federal-state program that covers two-thirds of nursing homes. To qualify for Medicaid, you must have limited income and assets, it provides only limited coverage for home health care in certain states.



Can't I pay for care out of pocket?

The major advantages of self insuring is that you have the most control over where and how you receive care. But, because the cost of long-term care is high, you may have trouble affording extended care if you need it.



Should I add long term care insurance to my plan?

Protects you against the chance that long-term care services will cost more than you can afford.

Can help you preserve your assets and guarantee that you'll have access to a range of care options.

Before you purchase a policy, make sure you can afford the premiums both now and in the future.



Should I add long term care insurance to my plan?

Key components of Long Term Care:

- **Benefit amount:** The maximum your policy will pay for your care each day, and generally ranges from \$50-\$350 or more.
- **Benefit Period:** The length of time your policy will pay benefits: (e.g., 2 years, 4 years, lifetime).
- **Elimination Period:** The number of days you must pay for your own care before the policy begins paying benefits (e.g., 90 days).
- **Types of facilities included:** your own home, assisted living facilities, adult day care centers, and nursing homes.
- **Inflation protection:** Your benefit will increase by a certain percentage each year. It's an optional feature available at an additional cost, but having it will enable your coverage to keep pace with rising prices.



Stand-Alone Long Term Care Insurance Policies

Stand-alone policies offer the most direct, affordable solution for paying for long term care expenses. These policies have been available for over 40 years. Most policies reimburse the actual cost of care (up to your policy limits) if:

1. You require assistance with at least two of six activities of daily living: dressing, bathing, feeding, toileting, transferring and mobility
2. You become cognitively impaired, for example, because of Alzheimer's Disease.



Hybrid Long Term Care Insurance Plans

A hybrid long term care insurance plan (aka “Asset-based Long Term Care Insurance”) combines two types of coverage under one policy– either life insurance or a qualifying annuity with a Long-term Care Insurance rider.

If you already have a permanent life insurance policy or an annuity, they can be re-purposed to add an LTCI rider.

Hybrid plans haven’t been offered for as long as stand-alone plans, but they’re growing rapidly in popularity.



Asset-based Long Term Care Insurance plans only work for people who have assets to reallocate

An asset-based LTCI plan offers you several advantages, including:

1. One policy, two purposes –the total value of the policy goes to both long-term care insurance and life insurance/annuity. For example, if you had a hybrid plan with a total benefit for \$500,000 and used \$200,000 toward long term care coverage, the remaining \$300,000 would be paid as a death benefit just like any other permanent life insurance would.
2. Your premiums are guaranteed not to increase
3. Flexibility in payment – you can choose to pay your premiums in a lump sum (“single pay plan”), up to 20 annual payments (“20 pay plan”), or lifetime payments.
4. Re-purposing is tax free – if you already have a permanent life insurance policy or qualifying annuity, you can use a 1035 exchange.
5. Get a refund of premiums – with many plans you can cash in your policy for any reason and get back some or all of the premiums you’ve paid in.
6. May be able to fund with IRA money.

Case Study – John & Jane Doe

- Married for 40 years
- Both are 73 years old
- John: Retired Attorney
- Jane: Homemaker
- Location: Live in Wisconsin and snowbird in Florida for 3 months
- Both are in good health with longevity on both sides
- Have 2 adult children, 5 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren
- Normal charitable giving of \$10,000/year



Assets

- IRAs: \$1,325,000
- Roth IRAs: \$100,000
- Brokerage Account:
 - \$200,000 in Exxon stock with \$20,000 basis
 - \$300,000 in Mutual Funds/ETFs with \$200,000 basis
- Fully depreciated small Self-storage building:
 - Value of \$250,000 with basis of \$50,000
- Personal Home:
 - \$750,000 with basis of \$300,000
- 120 acres of hunting land:
 - \$400,000 with basis of \$100,000
- \$100,000 Life insurance policy on John
 - Cash value of \$50,000



Income

- \$50,000/year RMDs (total)
- \$40,000/year WRS pension (100% survivor)
- \$10,000/year from self-storage building
- \$45,000/year from Social Security
 - (\$30,000 for John and \$15,000 for Jane)
- \$15,000/year dividends
- \$10,000/year capital gains distributions



Base Scenario

- AGI: \$163,250
- Deduction: Standard of \$28,700
- Taxable Income: \$134,550
 - Marginal Tax Rate: 22%
- Tax Due:
 - Fed: \$19,225
 - WI: \$5,117



Example A: Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)

- AGI: \$153,250
- Deduction: Standard of \$28,700
- Taxable Income: \$124,550
 - Marginal Tax Rate: 22%
- Tax Due:
 - Fed: \$17,025 (Savings of \$2,200)
 - WI: \$4,876 (Savings of \$241)



Example B: Sell 40 acres of hunting land

- Results in \$100,000 LTCG
- AGI: \$263,250
- Deduction: Standard of \$28,700
- Taxable Income: \$234,550
 - Marginal Tax Rate: 22%
- Tax Due:
 - Fed: \$34,225
 - WI: \$8,833



Example B:
Sell 40 acres of
hunting land &
Fund Donor
Advised Fund
(DAF) with
\$97,950

- Results in \$100,000 LTCG
- AGI: \$263,250
- Deduction: Itemized of \$107,950
- Taxable Income: \$155,300
 - Marginal Tax Rate: 22%
- Tax Due:
 - Fed: \$14,258 (Savings of \$19,967)
 - WI: \$4,435 (Savings of \$4,398)



Example C: John dies

- Only change in income is loss of the smaller Social Security benefit (\$15,000)
- AGI: \$150,500
- Deduction: Itemized of \$20,000
- Taxable Income: \$130,500
 - Marginal Tax Rate: 24%
- Tax Due:
 - Fed: \$23,086 (Increase of \$3,861)
 - WI: \$5,270 (Increase of \$153)

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