DAY 1: AUGUST 5, 2021

12:00-12:15 Welcoming Remarks: Kilolo Kijakazi, U.S. Social Security Administration

Overview of Sessions: J. Michael Collins, University of Wisconsin-Madison

12:15-1:15 Panel 1: Understanding the Effects of the Coronavirus Pandemic on Retirement and Disability
Moderator: Olivia Mitchell (University of Pennsylvania)

“How Has COVID-19 Affected the Labor Force Participation of Older Workers?” Laura Quinby, Matthew Rutledge and Gal Wettstein (Boston College)

“The Impact of Covid-19 on Older Workers’ Employment and Social Security Spillovers” Gopi Shah Goda (Stanford University), Emilie Jackson (Michigan State University), Lauren Hersch Nicholas (Johns Hopkins) and Sarah Stith (University of New Mexico)

“Assessing the Economic Impact Payment in the Older Population” Gabor Kezdi and David Weir (University of Michigan)

1:15-1:30 Break

1:30-2:30 Panel 2: Disability Programs and Well-being
Moderator: Jeffrey Hemmeter (U.S. Social Security Administration)

“What is the Relationship between Deprivation and Child SSI Participation?” Michael Levere (Haverford College/Mathematica), David Wittenburg (Mathematica) and Jeffrey Hemmeter (U.S. Social Security Administration)

“The Effects of Expanding Access to Mental Health Services on SS(D)I Applications and Awards” Isaac Swensen and Carly Urban (Montana State University)

“Cash vs. Food? How Does Food Stamp Eligibility Affect the Family Security of SSI Recipients?” Marianne Bitler (University of California, Davis), Amelia
Hawkins (Brandeis University), Lucie Schmidt (Williams College) and Hilary Seligman (University of California San Francisco)

2:30-2:45 Break

2:45-3:45 Panel 3: Retirement Planning and Preparedness
Moderator: Jason Fichtner (Bipartisan Policy Center)


“Measuring Economic Preparation for Retirement: Income Versus Consumption” Michael Hurd and Susann Rohwedder (RAND)

“How Do Households Adjust When Their Kids Leave Home?” Andrew Biggs (American Enterprise Institute), Anqi Chen and Alicia Munnell (Center for Retirement Research at Boston College)

3:45-4:00 Wrap up and Overview of Day 2: J. Michael Collins, University of Wisconsin-Madison

DAY 2: AUGUST 6, 2021

12:00-12:35

Keynote Introduction: Kilolo Kijakazi, U.S. Social Security Administration
Keynote Speaker: Valerie Wilson, Economic Policy Institute
“Race, Ethnicity and Financial Well-being”

12:35-1:35 Panel 4: Public Understanding of Social Security Programs and Service, and Vulnerability to Fraud
Moderator: Marguerite DeLiema (University of Minnesota)

“Mixed-methods Study to Understand Use of MySSA” Lila Rabinovich and Francisco Perez-Arce (University of Southern California)

“Epidemiologic Study of the Correlates of Scam Susceptibility, Financial Exploitation, and Fraud in Older Adults” Patricia Boyle, Lei Yu (Rush University) and Gary Mottola (FINRA)

“Improving Public Understanding of OASI: An Experimental Approach” Sebastian Jilke, Pamela Herd and Donald Moynihan (Georgetown University)
1:35-1:50 Break

1:50-2:50 Panel 5: Disability Applications and Outcomes
Moderator: Gina Clemons (U.S. Social Security Administration)

“Outcomes Following Social Security Disability Insurance Termination”
Michael Anderson, Denise Hoffman (Mathematica), and Kai Filion (U.S. Social Security Administration)

“Do Workers Injured on the Job and Covered by Workers Compensation End Up on SSDI?” David Neumark (University of California-Irvine)

“Applying Aspects of Disability Determination Methods from the Netherlands in the U.S.” Nicole Maestas, Bastian Ravesteijn (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Kathleen Mullen (RAND) and Tisamarie Sherry (RAND)

2:50-3:50 Panel 6: Health Shocks and Retirement
Moderator: Irena Dushi (U.S. Social Security Administration)

“The Impact of Medical Spending Shocks on the Wealth and Insurance Purchases of Older Americans” Eric French (University College London), John Bailey Jones (Federal Reserve Bank-Richmond) and Jeremy McCauley (University of Bristol)

“Economic Security in Retirement: Does Borrowing from Home Equity Moderate the Impact of a Health Shock on Health Outcomes?” Stephanie Moulton, Donald Haurin, Caezilia Loibl, and Joshua Joseph (The Ohio State University)

“The Impact of Biopharmaceutical Innovation on Disability, Social Security Recipiency, and Use of Medical Care of U.S. Community Residents” Frank R. Lichtenberg (Columbia University)

3:50-4:00 Closing Remarks: J. Michael Collins, University of Wisconsin-Madison