

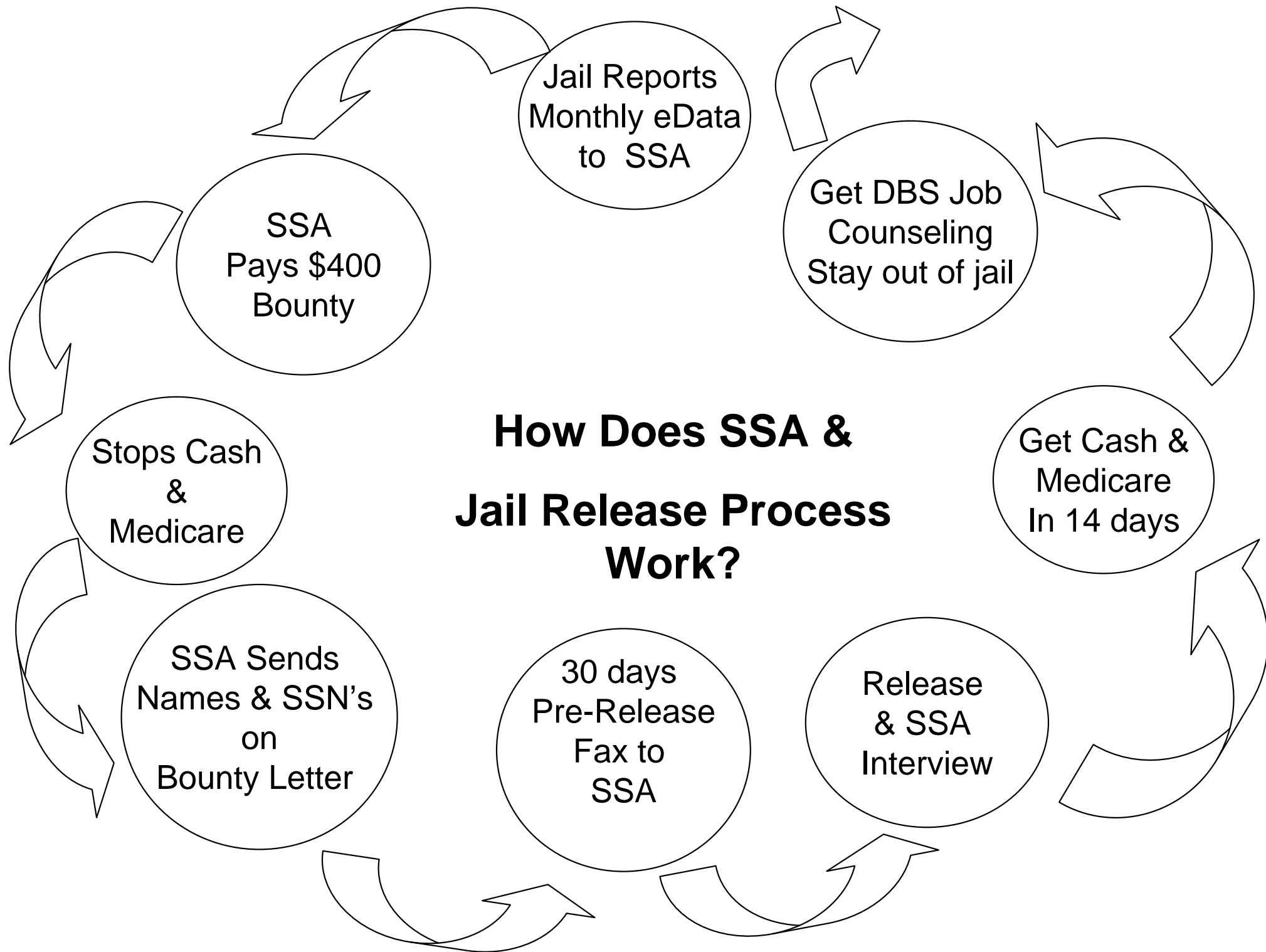
Why Prisoner Reporting To SSA?

- Legal requirement—
 - Section 202(x)(3) of the SS Act
 - Amended by P.L. 103-387
- Facilitates re-entry to the community
- Prevents overpayments upon release
- Jail Receives Bounty Award

Key Contacts at SSA

- Homeless Coordinator in every SSA office
 - 29 offices for WI residents
 - Service areas by zip code or county
- State Liaison for SSA coordination
 - Ron Konkol, Madison SSA Office
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- Technical support for electronic reporting
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How Does SSA & Jail Release Process Work?



Jail Report: Example

- 1/4/07--In Jail
- 2/3/07—eData Report to SSA
- 4/4/07--Jail gets SSA \$400 Bounty by direct deposit
- 4/4/07--Jail gets SSA Bounty letter with prisoner's:
 - Names
 - SSN's
 - Bounty amount for each suspended prisoner

Jail Release: Example

- Release expected on 8/23/07
- 7/23/07—Phone/Fax to SSA to set 8/24/07 appointment
- 8/23/07—Jail fax to SSA with release confirmation
- 8/24/07--Prisoner's SSA interview provides:
 - mailing address &
 - bank info
- 9/1/07 (8/30/07)--SSI check sent to bank or mailing address
- 9/1/07—WI Medical Assistance starts
- 10/3/07– SSDI check arrives

Goal: Jail Release & Immediate Social Security Benefits

- Jail--Uses SS eData monthly reporting
- SSA--Stops cash benefits & sends \$400 bounty to the jail
- SSA sends to jail identifying those:
 - getting SS benefits
 - verifying identity of all on eData report
- Jail—Phone/fax to SSA 30+ days before release & upon release
- SSA—Sends SSI/MA due on 1st day of full month > release

Jail Release: Cash & Health Benefits

- Cash benefits stop w/in 30 days
- Pre-release starts 30 days before exit
- Reinstatement to Cash & Medicare w/in 14 days
- SSI is paid on 1st day of month after release
- SSDI is paid in 2nd month after release

Jail Release: Benefits & Jobs

- SSI &/or SSDI entitlement starts cash & medical coverage
- 22 counties have Disability Benefits Specialists (age 18 to 59)
- DBS help find housing, food stamps, etc.
- Next step: jobs

Keys to SSA Release Success

- Electronic reporting of new prisoners
- Jail tracking suspended prisoners for release
- One key contact person at:
 - Jail (Social Worker, Release Planner, DBS, etc.)
 - SSA (Homeless Coordinator)
- Backups when key contact is gone
- Feedback on shortcomings

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