SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

20 CFR Part 416

[Docket No. SSA-2012-0035]

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Revisions to Rules Regarding the Evaluation of Medical Evidence; Correction

AGENCY: Social Security Administration.

ACTION: Correcting amendment.

SUMMARY: On January 18, 2017, we published final rules in the Federal Register revising our medical evidence rules. Those final rules inadvertently included a typographical error. This document corrects the final regulations.

DATES: Effective [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER], and applicable beginning March 27, 2017.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We published final rules in the Federal Register on January 18, 2017 (82 FR 5844, corrected March 27, 2017, at 82 FR 15132) titled Revisions to Rules Regarding the Evaluation of Medical Evidence. The final rules, among other things, amended the regulatory text for acceptable medical sources by
adding licensed audiologists to the list of acceptable medical sources in 20 CFR 416.902(a)(6). We inadvertently included duplicative wording in that section of the rules. This document amends the regulations by deleting the duplication of three words (for impairments of) and corrects the final rules.

List of Subjects in 20 CFR Part 416

Administrative practice and procedure, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

Accordingly, 20 CFR part 416, subpart I is corrected by making the following correcting amendment:

PART 416—SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED

Subpart I—Determining Disability and Blindness

1. The authority citation for subpart I of part 416 continues to read as follows:

   Authority: Secs. 221(m), 702(a)(5), 1611, 1614, 1619, 1631(a), (c), (d)(1), and (p), and 1633 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 421(m), 902(a)(5), 1382, 1382c, 1382h, 1383(a), (c), (d)(1), and (p), and 1383b); secs. 4(c) and 5, 6(c)-(e), 14(a), and 15, Pub. L. 98-460, 98 Stat. 1794, 1801, 1802, and 1808 (42 U.S.C. 421 note, 423 note, and 1382h note).

2. Amend § 416.902 by revising paragraph (a)(6) to read as follows:
§416.902 Definitions for this subpart.

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(6) Licensed audiologist for impairments of hearing loss, auditory processing disorders, and balance disorders within the licensed scope of practice only (with respect to claims filed (see §416.325) on or after March 27, 2017);

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