

The protection of the incapacity in the social security system: improvement proposals (Document 148/2009)

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The people with incapacity, almost a 9% of the Spanish population, present in one of each five families, are a singular social group, with specific needs in relation to the use and the social protection, mainly, with the ligature to the public system of social security. The connections between incapacity and social security are old in Spain, until the point of which this system of social protection was first in regulating benefits to take care of the needs derived from the presence of a incapacity. Later, those have been other systems of protection that have been taken care to give answer to these needs, making the social security to have a function collateral instead of main.

The main conclusions of this work are the following:

- The social security system can and must extend its operational range on people with incapacity and its families on the base of new directions.
- They have themselves to produce a series of normative modifications that make specific that change.
- For legislature 2008-2012, agreeing with the revision in course in the agreements of the 'Pact of Toledo', a series of measures is formulated of detailed way that, of to be adopted, they will allow to advance in the inclusion of the people with incapacity, being helped to turn them into more active, participating and co-responsible subjects.