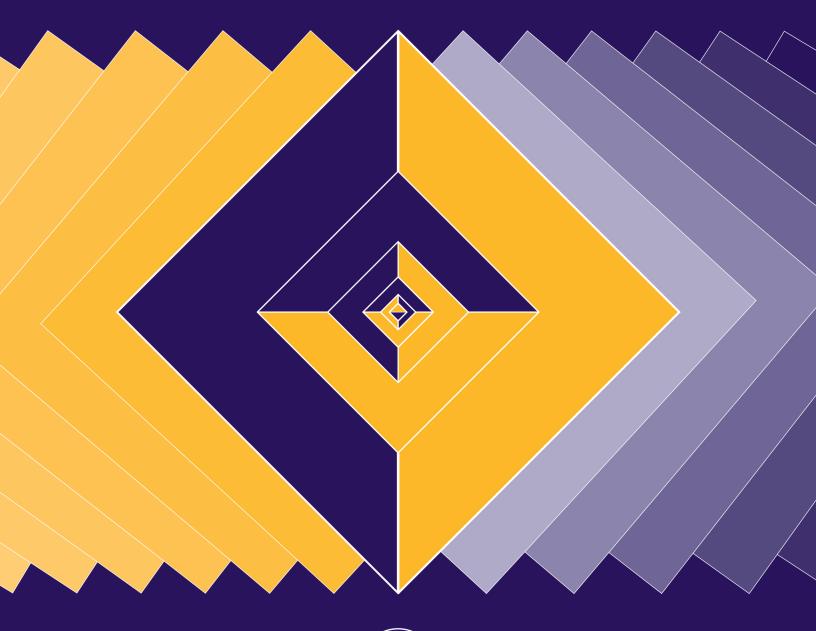


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# **SURVEY RESULTS**

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### Introduction

In 2009, ARL surveyed member libraries on sick, vacation, and holiday leave, and financial support and leave for professional development, employee education and training, and internships—benefits over which library administrators would typically have some plan design authority. This survey investigated the core employment benefits of retirement, and life, health, and other insurance—benefits that are typically decided by the parent institution and often have significant governmental regulation. The survey was conducted between March 9 and April 23, 2010. Fifty-six of the 124 ARL member libraries completed the survey for a response rate of 45%.

# **Benefits Offered and Eligibility**

The survey began by asking whether retirement, life and/or accidental death and dismemberment (ADD) insurance, or health insurance were offered to library employees. All 56 respondents indicated that retirement benefits and health insurance were offered. All but one indicated life and/or ADD insurance were offered. Respondents were asked to report the minimum number of hours per week library staff members must work to qualify for the benefit and the minimum number of months of employment a new library staff member must work in order to become eligible.

#### Retirement

Twenty hours per week was the most commonly reported minimum number of hours required to qualify for retirement benefits (20 of 54 respondents or 37%). Ten respondents (19%) indicated the employee must work 30 hours or more per week (.75 FTE or greater) to qualify. Eight (15%) indicated no minimum hours per week to qualify. Thirty-nine of 55 respondents (71%) indicated no minimum service period for retirement benefits eligibility. Ten (18%) indicated minimum service periods for eligibility of 12 months or less. Only six (11%) require more than one year of service for eligibility.

#### Life and/or ADD Insurance

Twenty hours per week was the most commonly reported minimum number of hours required to qualify for life and/or ADD insurance (21 of 53 respondents or 40%). Nine respondents (17%) indicated the employee must work 30 hours or more per week (.75 FTE or greater) to qualify. Nine others indicated no minimum hours per week to qualify. Forty-two of 53 respondents (79%) indicated no minimum service period for life and/or ADD insurance eligibility. Eight (15%) indicated minimum service periods of 12 months or less for eligibility. Only three (6%) require more than one year of service for eligibility.

#### Health Insurance

Twenty hours per week was the most commonly reported minimum number of hours required to qualify for health insurance (22 of 54 respondents or 41%). Nine respondents (17%) indicated the employee must work 30

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hours or more per week (.75 FTE or greater) to qualify. Seven (13%) reported no minimum hours per week to qualify. Forty-one of 55 respondents (75%) reported no minimum service period for health insurance eligibility. Twelve (22%) indicated minimum service periods of 12 months or less for eligibility. Only two (4%) require more than one year of service.

Eligibility Requirements	Hours Worked/Week		Length of Service (in Mon	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
Retirement	18	20	9	0
Life and/or ADD Insurance	18	20	3	0
Health Insurance	18	20	2.5	0

#### **Defined Benefit Retirement Plans**

Defined benefit plans promise a specified monthly benefit at retirement. The survey asked questions regarding the availability of, employer contribution to, eligibility requirements for, and benefits of this type of plan.

Of the 56 respondents, 40 (71%) offer library staff a defined benefit retirement plan. The employer contribution ranges from 0% to 100%, with a median of 9.85% and an average of 31.16%. The range of answers suggests that some respondents interpreted the "employer contribution" to be a percentage of the employee's earnings, while others apparently interpreted it to be the percentage of the total contributions to the retirement plan by the employer, as opposed to the amount of any employee contribution. The unfortunate result is that the responses are difficult to interpret.

To determine employee eligibility to receive full retirement benefits, a few respondents use either years of service or age, but most use a combination of the two. Most of the 40 respondents (34 or 85%) indicated the method used to determine the amount of the retirement benefit was a "highest pay formula" based on the employee's highest annual earnings for one or more years. Formulas include an average of the highest three years of salary, an average of the employee's highest salary for any continuous 36-month period, and the highest 36 months of salary any time in the final ten years of employment.

Ten respondents (25%) have a plan that uses a "final pay formula," where the retirement benefit is determined as a function of the average of the employee's earnings during the last year or last few years of employment. Four (10%) have plans that use a "dollar amount for each year formula," but no respondents reported having a plan that uses a "flat benefit method" (benefit determined by multiplying an employee's months of service by a predetermined flat, monthly rate) or a "career average formula" method (benefit determined as a function of the average of the employee's earnings throughout their entire employment).

A majority of the respondents who offer a defined benefit plan (29 or 74%) indicated that retirees receive a health insurance premium subsidy.

#### **Defined Contribution Retirement Plans**

A defined contribution plan does not promise a specific amount of benefits at retirement, but employer and/or employee contributions are made on the employee's behalf into an individual account. The survey asked questions regarding the availability, vesting period (if applicable), employer contribution (as a percentage of the employee's salary), and employee contribution requirements for these plans. Forty-seven of the 56 survey respondents (84%) offer at least one defined contribution retirement plan to library employees. The types of defined contribution plans vary widely, as seen in the chart below.

Type of Plan Offered	Responses	
403(b)	42	89%
457	33	70%
401(a)	18	38%
SRA	14	30%
401(k)	7	15%
Roth 401(k)	5	11%
Roth IRA	4	9%
IRA	2	4%
SIMPLE IRA	2	4%
SEP	1	2%

In all but a few cases, an employee contribution is required for plan participation. For most of the defined contribution plans there is no vesting period. Thirteen institutions that offer a 403(b) plan reported a vesting period between 12 and 60 months. Six that offer a 401(a) plan have vesting periods between 36 and 66 months. Only two of the institutions that offer a 401(k) plan reported a vesting period: one of 12 months, one of 36 months.

In most cases, when there is an employer contribution, the maximum amount ranges from 5% to 10.4% of the employee's salary, or whatever limit is legally permissible. Interestingly, for about half of the defined contribution plans reported the employer makes no contributions to the plan. Apparently, institutions offer plans of this type largely as a tax-friendly and payroll-deduction-administered retirement savings vehicle for their staff.

Only a little more than a third of the respondents who offer defined contribution plans (15 or 37%) indicated that retirees receive a health insurance premium subsidy.

#### **Deferred Retirement Option Plans**

A Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) is a program under which an employee who would otherwise be entitled to retire and receive benefits under an employer's defined benefit retirement plan instead continues working. The continued compensation and additional years of service are not typically credited for the purposes of the defined benefit plan formula. Thirteen of 55 responding institutions (24%) offer a DROP to employees.

#### **Early Retirement Incentive Programs**

An Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP) is an employer-sponsored plan that provides special benefits or incentives to an employee who makes the decision to retire sooner than they had otherwise planned. Twelve of the 55 responding institutions (22%) offer an ERIP to employees. Respondents' comments indicated these plans are commonly of limited, irregular, or intermittent availability versus an ongoing, continually offered option.

#### **Phased Retirement Programs**

A phased retirement program allows an employee to continue working with a reduced workload and eventually transition from full-time work to full-time retirement. Twenty-five of the 55 responding institutions (46%) have a formal phased retirement program available for library staff. Respondents described programs that have preretirement hour reductions (56%), postretirement, part-time assignments (16%), or both options (20%).

#### Life and ADD Insurance

All but one of the 55 respondents provide life insurance benefits and 47 (85%) offer ADD insurance benefits. The survey asked about the availability of these benefits for spouses, opposite-sex domestic partners, same-sex domestic partners, and dependents. The majority of responding institutions make these benefits available to spouses and dependents, with a smaller, but still significant number of respondents offering life and ADD benefits to domestic partners. A majority of the 25 respondents who offer coverage to domestic partners indicated the employee cost was the same for spouses as for domestic partners for both life insurance coverage (17 or 68%) and for ADD insurance coverage (16 or 64%).

Coverage Offered for	Employee	Spouse	Dependents	Same Sex Domestic Partner	Opposite Sex Domestic Partner
Basic Life Insurance	54	30	29	19	15
ADD Insurance	47	29	27	17	12

The survey asked what percentage of the life insurance premium the employer pays for employees, spouses, opposite-sex domestic partners, same-sex domestic partners, and dependents. The employer's contributions to premiums for employees are quite high: 33% of the premium was the smallest contribution and 71% of respondents indicated the employer covers the entire premium. However, employer contributions are much less common for eligible non-employees.

Employer Contributes for Life Insurance	Some Percentage of Premiums	100% of Premiums	Average Contribution	Median Contribution
For Employee	82%	71%	79%	100%
For Spouse	14%	4%	10%	0
For Dependents	14%	7%	11%	0
For Opposite Sex Domestic Partner	14%	7%	11%	0
For Same Sex Domestic Partner	11%	5%	8%	0

The majority of respondents (31 or 55%) use a fixed multiple of employee earnings to calculate the amount of the life insurance benefit. Nineteen respondents pay a flat cash amount, and two reported that the amount of life insurance benefits was determined by a variable multiple of employee earnings.

The survey also asked what percentage of the premium for ADD insurance the employer pays for employees, spouses, opposite-sex domestic partners, same-sex domestic partners, and dependents. Employers commonly contribute to premiums for employees. Again, 33% of the premium was the smallest contribution, and 19 institutions (49%) contribute 100%. As with life insurance, employer contributions are much less common for spouses and dependents. No respondents reported that the employer makes contributions to premiums for domestic partners.

Employer Contributes for ADD Insurance	Some Percentage of Premiums	100% of Premiums	Average Contribution	Median Contribution
For Employee	59%	49%	56%	85%
For Spouse and Dependents	9%	0	5%	0

#### **Other Insurance Benefits**

All but a few of the 53 responding institutions offer health and dental insurance to library employees, their spouses, and dependents. Almost all offer employees long-term disability insurance, and two-thirds offer short-term disability insurance, though few extend disability coverage to spouses and dependents. More than 80% of the respondents offer vision insurance to employees, spouses, and dependents. More than half offer health, dental, and vision insurance to same-sex domestic partners, but only a little more than a third offer these benefits to opposite-sex domestic partners. Other commonly reported insurance benefits were long-term care, which was prevalent, and cancer and legal insurance. As with life and ADD insurance, a majority of the respondents who offer health, dental, and vision insurance coverage to domestic partners indicated the employee cost is the same for spouses as for domestic partners. At the small number of institutions that offer short-term or long-term disability insurance to non-employees, the premium for spouses and domestic partners is also the same.

Coverage Offered for	Employee	Spouse	Dependents	Same Sex Domestic Partner	Opposite Sex Domestic Partner
Dental	53	53	52	38	24
Health	52	52	50	36	23
Vision	44	43	43	27	18
Short-term Disability	35	2	2	2	1
Long-term Disability	50	4	2	2	1

For dental, vision, and disability insurance plans, employers are most likely to contribute something for dental premiums, though they more often contribute 100% of the premium for long-term disability coverage. A significant number of respondents also reported some level of employer support for vision and short-term disability plans.

Employer Contributes for	Some Percentage of Premiums	100% of Premiums	Average Contribution	Median Contribution
Dental	71%	42%	61%	80%
Long-term Disability	58%	53%	54%	100%
Vision	46%	34%	44%	0
Short-term Disability	41%	33%	37%	0

#### **Health Insurance**

Group health plans provide library employees access to a broad range of treatments. Over 90% of respondents reported that their plans cover both inpatient and outpatient mental health services. Over 80% cover substance abuse rehabilitation and detoxification, contraception, and hospice care. Coverage for infertility and acupuncture treatments are somewhat less common. Almost all of the group health plans provide coverage for prescriptions, hospitalization, cancer treatment, and intensive care. Though only 23% of group health plans provide coverage for long-term care, employers commonly offer this coverage through separate supplemental plans.

Treatment Covered by	Health Plan	Separate Supplemental Plan	Coverage Not Available
Prescription	96%	10%	0
Hospitalization	94%	12%	2%
Cancer	94%	13%	0
Intensive Care Unit	92%	4%	2%
Long-term Care	23%	65%	13%

## **Short-term Disability Insurance**

The duration of benefits for short-term disability plans ranges from 4 to 52 weeks. The average duration is 28 weeks and the median is 24 weeks. The percentage of the employee's income that is replaced under the most generous short-term disability plan offered ranges from 50% to 100%, with an average of 71% and a median of 67%. The majority of respondents (19 or 63%) reported the plan would replace between 60% and 70% of the employee's salary. Only five (17%) reported the institution's most generous plan would replace 100% of the salary. The length of the elimination period for eligibility under the most generous short-term disability policy ranges from zero to 180 days. The average is 26 days and the median is 14 days. More than half of the respondents reported elimination periods of two weeks or less, and 81% reported periods of one month or less. More than 75% of respondents indicated the short-term disability policy treats maternity, childbirth, and recovery periods the same as any other medical condition in regards to eligibility for benefits.

## **Long-term Disability Insurance**

When asked about the maximum benefit for the long-term disability plans, some respondents reported dollars per month, others reported the maximum benefit amount in dollars or the length of benefits in months. Under the most generous long-term disability plan offered, the percentage of the employee's income that is replaced ranges from 50% to 85%. More than half of the respondents reported a 60% income replacement; 91% reported the income replacement is between 60% and 70%. The length of the elimination period for eligibility under the most generous long-term disability policy ranges from zero to 182.5 days. The average is 117 days and the median is 105 days. The most common elimination periods are 180 days (36%) and 90 days (29%). Half reported elimination periods of 90 days or less; 95% reported periods of six months or less.

## **Tax Advantaged Accounts**

Library staff are offered a variety of tax advantaged accounts. The most common are Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA) for dependent care reimbursement (85%) and medical reimbursement (81%). Less commonly offered are Health Savings Accounts (25%), Health Reimbursement Accounts (14%), and Limited Purpose Medical Reimbursement accounts (8%). Many employers contribute nothing to these employee accounts, and the amount contributed by those who do contribute varies considerably.

Employer Contributes for	Some Amount	Average Annual Contribution
FSA - Medical	40%	\$1,683
FSA - Dependent Care	38%	\$1,805
HSA	62%	\$1,518
HRA	86%	\$1,146
LPMR	25%	\$1,250

#### **Health Care Plans**

Most of the responding institutions offer multiple health care plans. The most common plans are the Participating Provider Option (PPO) and Health Maintenance Organization (HMO). A smaller number of institutions offer Point-of-Service (POS) plans, an institutional plan, or Medicare fee-for-service. Some institutions also provide high deductible versions of the PPO, HMO, and POS plans. Other health care options include Consumer Driven Health Plans and Exclusive Provider Organization plans.

Type of Plan Offered	Responses	
Participating Provider Option (PPO)	38	73%
High Deductible PPO	14	39%
Health Maintenance Organization (HMO)	27	52%
High Deductible HMO	6	23%
Point-of-Service (POS)	12	23%
High Deductible POS	2	20%
University/institutional health plan	5	10%
Medicare fee-for-service	4	8%
Other plan	15	29%

For the three most common plans (HMO, PPO, and POS), employers pay, on average, between 80% and 89% of the premium for single coverage and between 76% and 85% for family coverage.

Employer Contributes	Single Coverage		Family Coverage	
for	Average	Median	Average	Median
HMO	89%	90%	82%	83%
PPO	85%	87%	76%	80%
POS	80%	87%	85%	85%

There is significant variation among the out-of-pocket maximums for the three most common health care plans. For single coverage, the maximum out-of-pocket exposure for the employee is, on average, much lower for HMO plans. For family coverage, the HMO and POS plans have considerably lower maximum out-of-pocket expense averages and medians than PPO plans.

Employee's Maximum	Single Coverage		Family Coverage	
Out-of-Pocket Expense	Average	Median	Average	Median
HMO	\$1,125	\$1,100	\$2,500	\$3,000
POS	\$2,363	\$2,200	\$5,380	\$4,000
PPO	\$3,042	\$2,400	\$3,042	\$2,400
Weighted Average	\$2,363	\$1,977	\$3,215	\$2,818

#### **Benefits Orientation and Administration**

The survey asked how the parent institution and the library orient new employees and disseminate information to current employees regarding retirement and insurance benefits. Many of the respondents reported their institutions have full or half-day orientation programs, some of which are mandatory for new hires. They also include information in orientation materials provided to new hires or prospective employees during interviews.

Additional information delivery models include periodic information sessions and seminars, annual mailings and health/benefits fairs, and group or one-on-one counseling. Web content and other online tools are also prevalent.

The responses about the library's role in new employee orientation and retirement and insurance benefits information dissemination range from no activity, to referrals to institutional offices, to more direct and active involvement comparable to the activities described above for parent institutions. The most common response indicated that library staff answer routine questions and connect the staff member with the appropriate resource.

The survey also asked about the library's role in administering retirement benefits and insurance plans. More than half of the respondents reported no role. Other common responses indicated that library staff answer questions and direct employees to appropriate offices; assist with forms; advertise open enrollment, enrollment deadlines, and benefit changes; and sponsor presentations by institutional staff.

#### **Summary**

The survey results help identify the range of retirement and insurance benefits offered to research library employees and the variety in plan designs for each benefit. They confirm that retirement, health insurance, and life insurance are universally available and access is generally gained by employees working a .50 FTE assignment. Insurance benefits are commonly available to their family members, too, often including both same-sex and opposite-sex domestic partners.

Thirty-two of the 56 responding institutions offer employees both a defined benefit and a defined contribution retirement plan. Fifteen offer only a defined contribution plan, eight offer only a defined benefit plan, and one offers neither.

Defined benefit plans, as might be expected, rely mostly on a combination of age and years of service to determine eligibility benefits, and the benefit amounts are usually determined by a "highest pay formula." Defined benefit plans often provide retirees with a health insurance subsidy.

Defined contribution plans are most often 403(b) or 457 plans. Regardless of plan type, employers usually do not contribute to the plans, and vesting periods are uncommon or minimal, leading to the conclusion that these plans commonly are offered as a tax-friendly and payroll-deduction-supported retirement savings vehicle. Defined contribution plans most often do not provide health insurance subsidies for retirees, which is somewhat surprising and reinforces the conclusion above regarding the purpose of these plans.

DROP and ERIP plans are somewhat uncommon. ERIP programs are offered intermittently and presumably as a cost savings effort. Formal phased retirement programs are offered at about half of the responding institutions, and most commonly take the form of a preretirement reduction in hours.

Life insurance, as mentioned above, is essentially offered universally by respondent institutions. ADD insurance is very common, too. Life insurance benefits are usually available to family members, but ADD is made available much less frequently.

In addition to health insurance, employee access to dental, vision, and long-term disability insurance is quite common. Dental, health, and vision are very often extended to spouses and dependents and less frequently extended to domestic partners. Disability insurance is infrequently available to non-employees.

The financial support for life insurance premiums for employees is very high, but falls considerably for employee ADD and drastically for life and ADD coverage for family members. Employer contributions for premiums for health insurance coverage are quite high as a percentage of the total cost, for both employee and family coverage. About half of the responding institutions contribute some percentage of the premiums for long-term disability, short-term disability, and vision; a higher percentage contribute to dental. Surprisingly common are long-term disability, short-term disability, vision, and dental plans that are 100% employer-paid.

The typical availability of PPO plans, as compared to the less common availability of a traditional HMO plans, was surprising. One wonders if the frequency of high-deductible options, while somewhat frequent

now, will increase over time. Prescription, hospitalization, cancer, and intensive care unit coverage through the offered group health plans is extremely common. Surprisingly, long-term care is consistently excluded from health plans and, even when considering coverage through supplemental plans, unavailable to a significant percentage of library employees.

A high percentage of respondents offer Flexible Spending Accounts, and a surprisingly low percentage offer HSA, HRA, or other plans. However, the employer contributions are most typical for HSA and HRA plans. The average for annual contributions to these plans by employers was surprisingly high, particularly for FSA's for dependent care, with employer contributions averaging \$1,805.

Interestingly, for life, ADD, health, dental, and vision insurance, the employee's cost for coverage for spouses and domestic partners is usually equivalent.

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# **SURVEY QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES**

The SPEC survey on Core Benefits was designed by Brian W. Keith, Assistant Dean, Human and Financial Resources, University of Florida. These results are based on data submitted by 56 of the 124 ARL member libraries (45%) by the deadline of April 23, 2010. The survey's introductory text and questions are reproduced below, followed by the response data and selected comments from the respondents.

In 2009, ARL surveyed the member libraries on sick, vacation, and holiday leave, and financial support and leave for professional development, employee education and training, and internships—benefits over which library administrators would typically have some plan design authority. The focus of this companion survey is on the core benefits of retirement, and life, health, and other insurance—benefits that are typically decided by the parent institution and often have significant governmental regulation. Results of this survey should help identify the range of retirement and insurance benefits offered and enhance the complete picture of benefits for library staff.

This survey is intended for the library human resource officers or other administrative employees (library or institutional) responsible for managing the various benefits available to library staff employed by their institution. It is likely that an accurate and complete response to this survey will require the respondent to reference benefit descriptions, plan documents, and other related materials or in some cases to consult with benefits experts at the parent institution.

#### **BACKGROUND**

1. Are library staff offered any of the following types of benefits? N=56

	Yes	No
Retirement	56	_
Life and/or accidental death & dismemberment insurance	55	1
Health insurance	56	

2. For each type of benefit offered, please enter the minimum number of hours per week library staff must work to qualify for it. If there is no minimum service requirement, enter 0 (zero). If the benefit is not offered, leave the answer blank. N=55

# Retirement N=54

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	35	17.72	20	10.13

Hours/Week	Responses
0	8
1–15	7
17.50	3
18.75	3
19.25	1
20	20
24	1
27	1
30	7
35	3

Life and/or accidental death & dismemberment insurance N=53

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	40	17.68	20	10.50

Hours/Week	Responses
0	9
1–15	5
17.50	6
18.75	2
20	21
24	1
30	5
35	2
40	2

#### Health insurance N=54

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	40	18.24	20	10.04

Hours/Week	Responses
0	7
1–15	7
17.50	6
18.75	2
20	22
24	1
30	4
35	3
40	2

3. For each type of benefit offered, please indicate how many months a new employee must be employed in order to be eligible for it. If there is no minimum service requirement, enter 0 (zero). If the benefit is not offered, leave the answer blank. N=55

#### Retirement N=55

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	120	9.06	0	23.68

Months	Responses
0	39
1–10	4
12	6
24	1
60	3
90	1
120	1

Life and/or accidental death & dismemberment insurance N=53

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	90	2.94	0	12.66

Months	Responses
0	42
1–10	6
12	2
13	2
90	1

Health insurance N=55

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	90	2.45	0	12.27

Months	Responses
0	41
1–10	11
12	1
13	1
90	1

# **RETIREMENT PLANS: DEFINED BENEFIT**

A defined benefit plan promises a specified monthly benefit at retirement. The plan may state this promised benefit as an exact dollar amount, or it may calculate a benefit through a plan formula that considers such factors as salary and service.

4. Are library staff offered a defined benefit retirement plan? N=56

**Yes** 40 71% **No** 16 29%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions. If multiple defined benefit plans are

offered with a variety of employer contributions, please answer the questions below based on the plan with the highest employer contribution percentage.

If you answered No, please skip to the Retirement Plans: Defined Contribution section of the survey.

5. Please indicate the percentage that the **employer** contributes to the defined benefit plan. Please enter a number from 0 to 100 without a % sign. N=37

# Employer percentage

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	31.16	9.85	38.63

Percentage	Responses
0	2
3-5.99	8
6–9.99	9
10–20	7
50–99	4
100	7

#### Comments N=25

Contribution percent based of years of service and differs for everyone.

Contributions vary based on hire date. Since July 1, 1997, employees contribute 2%.

Contributions will restart in May 2010. No contributions have been made since 1990.

Defined benefits plan is based on years of service.

Employer actually contributions 4.5% up to the YMPE (yearly maximum pensionable earnings) and 6.0% above the YMPE. The YMPE for 2010 is \$47,200.

Employer contribution is based on actuarial calculation to determine level that is required to meet fund pension benefit. Current rate is 145% of employee contributions.

Employer contributions match employee contributions. 10.55 % of salary up to YMPE (Yearly Maximum Pensionable Earnings) of \$46,200; then 13.54% of salary above YMPE up to salary cap of \$138,882, and 1.015% on additional salary above cap.

For almost 20 years, the defined benefit retirement plan was self funded. Starting April 15, 2010, employer contribution is 4%. In future years may go as high as 12%. Starting in 2010, Defined Contribution Plan (DCP) contributions will be redirected to the Defined Benefit Plan. DCP will remain but employee earnings will not be added to it, rather to the DBP.

For librarians it is 9.77% for salaries up to \$47,200, 12.71% for salaries over \$47,200, .87% for salaries over \$138,882. For support staff it is 9.10% for salaries under \$47,200 and 13.00% for salaries over \$47,200.

For non-exempt staff, the university contributes to the state pension fund. Non-exempt university staff receive retirement from the state pension plan.

PERF - University contribution is determined by the state. Of this contribution, 3% is allocated to an annuity savings account and remaining portion is directed to the PERF defined Benefit Fund.

The above percentage equals 10.15% paid to employee's PERA account, plus 2.20% amortization equalization disbursement (AED) and 1.50% supplemental AED. Faculty and professional exempts are only eligible for this plan if they have an account when hired by the university.

The amount of pension payment is determined for each participant by a formula that gives weight to salary, length of service, and age at retirement. The costs to the university for the plan are determined by an annual actuarial review (the "valuation") which considers such factors as number of participants, salary levels and their probable growth, earnings on plan assets, probable ages at retirement, and mortality expectations for retirees.

The university completely funds the plan. Non-exempt staff are not required or allowed to contribute to the plan.

The university offers a hybrid of defined benefit/contribution retirement plan.

The university offers two different retirement plans. They pay 10% for academic and professional staff. Support and service staff have a retirement plan with two benefits, 1) University pays years of creditable service X final average salary X 1.1% = annual benefit for life and 2) University pays 3%.

There are two retirement options offered to employees: the State retirement and an optional retirement system which is TIAA-CREF. State retirement requires 10 years to be vested. TIAA-CREF vestment period is 13 months.

This is not a defined percentage. "The University pays the difference between your contributions and what it actually costs to provide your pension benefits under the defined benefit concept. The University's contribution rate is determined in accordance with an actuarial valuation report filed with the regulatory authorities."

This plan is available only to part-time employees (those who are not eligible to participate in the university's primary 403(b) plan.

Total of 8.14% goes to retirement benefit fund. This is broken down as follows: 3.36% to pension plan; .16% to death benefit; 4.1% to retiree's health plan reserve; .52% to disability income.

University employees participate in OPERS (Ohio Public Employees Retirement System). State law sets contribution rates regardless of participation in OPERS or an alternative retirement plan (ARP).

Vesting begins the month after being hired for full-time employees. For part-time employees (category 2), vesting begins after completing 1000 hours in any given fiscal year.

We have 4 different Defined Benefit plans, 1 Defined Contribution plan, and 1 hybrid plan (Employer=Defined Benefit, Employee=Defined Contribution).

6. Please briefly describe the criteria for employee eligibility to receive the full benefit amount (e.g., upon reaching a certain age, after a certain number of years of employment, etc.) N=39

30 years of qualifying employment (may include other state entities).

59 years old.

6 years of vested service and age 62 or 30 years of service.

65 years of age with a minimum of 5 years of service credit or 55 years of age with a minimum of 10 years of service credit.

A complicated formula of age and years of service, amended in 2005 to be more stringent for future retirees and with current employees in a grandfathered status.

After 5 years of service; upon reaching 65 years of age if hired prior to July 1, 1990, or if hired after July 1, 1990, the later of employee's 65th birthday or 5 years of service.

Age 55 with two years of service in the pension plan to qualify.

Age 60 with 10 years vesting.

Age 60 with 25 years of vesting service or more. Age 62 with between 10 and 25 years of vesting service. Age 62 with at least 5 years of actual state service.

Age 60 with three years of service, or 35 years of service regardless of age.

Age corresponds with a benefit rate from this group chart; this factor is multiplied by years of creditable service times consecutive highest three-year average rate of regular compensation to equal your retirement allowance. AGE GROUP 1.65 + 2.5.64 + 2.4.63 + 2.3.62 + 2.2.61 + 2.1.60 + 2.0.59 + 1.9.58 + 1.8.57 + 1.7.56 + 1.6.55 + 1.5.5 +

Benefit based on normal retirement date of age 65, however employee can take an actuarial unreduced pension at age 62. Prior to age 62, pension is reduced 1/2% per month for each month retirement predates age 62.

Completion of 30 years of creditable service regardless of age, completion of at least 10 years of creditable service and attainment of age 60, or completion of at least 25 years of creditable service. If you retire under this provision, your benefit will be permanently reduced by the lesser of one-twelfth of 7% for each month you are below age 60, or 7% for each year or fraction of a year by which you have less than 30 years of creditable service.

Employees are eligible for "normal retirement" at age 65 or after with 5 years of service and will receive their full pension without reduction for early retirement. Vesting with Pension Benefits: Participants in the plan "vest" after five years of service. Vesting gives a participant the right to a pension at age 65 (or as early as age 55, when the sum of age and years of service equals 75) even if he or she leaves university employment. Terminated vested M&P employees are eligible to receive their pension in the form of a one-time lump sum payment if the present value of their account balance is less than \$18,000.

For a full retirement benefit, one must have 30 years of service credit and be at least 50 years old. Reduced retirement benefits are available with 25 years of service and 50 years of age. For employees hired after 7/1/05, age and service must equal at least 55.

For full benefit amount, employee's number of years of service and age must equal 80 points.

For librarians it is an 80 factor of age (minimum of age 55) and years of employment. For support staff it is an 85 factor (minimum of age 55) plus years of experience.

Full benefit amount would be attained on or after age 60 with 40 years of service.

Full benefits available at age 65 or at the age of 50 with 30 years of service. Early retirement with reduced benefits available between the ages of 55 & 65 with at least 5 years of service or 50 years of age with at least 10 years of service.

Full retirement benefits at age 65 with at least 5 years of creditable service; at age 60 with at least 25 years of creditable service; at any age with at least 30 years of creditable service.

Full time employees are vested after 5 years of service. Full benefit at the age of 65 or after 33 years of employment and reach the age of 62.

If you are age 60 and have five years of service or 60 or more calendar months of contributing service in OPERS, you are eligible to retire. You can retire with a reduced benefit as early as age 55 if you have 25 years of service. With 30 years of credit, there is no age requirement or age benefit reduction.

It is a combination of age plus years of service at retirement. Examples: 60 years of age with 40 years of service or 58 years of age with 46 years of service. Both examples would attain the full benefit amount.

July 1 coincident with or following of age 65.

Needs a certain number of years of employment and age.

Normal Retirement Date is the 30th day of June coincident with or following your 65th birthday.

Normal retirement is 80 points (your age + years of service with ASRS), age 62 with 10 years of service, or age 65.

PERF - determined by age and years of service. Eligible for full retirement benefits at age 65 with 10 or more years of service. Early retirement benefits are eligible with 15 or more years in the PERF-eligible position.

Retirement is at minimum 55 years of age. Benefit increases with age, years of service, and average salary (three highest earning years). One may leave state service and still draw a pension at 55 if you have not withdrawn your retirement account.

Service Retirement—Full: Age 55 with a minimum of 30 years of credited service, or Age 62 with a minimum of 5 years of credited service.

State retirement system - criteria is based on age, years of service, and final average salary.

Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System is a Defined Benefit Plan, which means retirement benefits are based on salary, years of service, and a retirement factor. The formula for TSERS is: Average salary based on the 4 highest consecutive years of earnings, Multiplied by a Retirement Factor of 1.82% (set by state statute), Multiplied by your creditable years of service.

Tier 1 (hired prior to 1996) = age 58 or 30 years of service. Tier 2 (hired 1997–2003) = age 60 or 30 years of service.

Tier 3 (hired after 2003) = age 58 with 30 years of service or age 65.

Unreduced benefits when age and years of creditable service total 80 (Rule of 80). Members joining TRS after June 30, 1992, may retire with unreduced benefits when age and years of creditable service total 90 (Rule of 90).

Varies from plan to plan. Some have full eligibility at (age/years) 65/5, or 65/10, or 60/5, 55/25, or any age/+30. Early retirement options available at 55/20 or 55/10.

You are age 65 with five or more years of service credit OR Your age and years of service credit total 80 and you have at least five years of service credit. If you first became a member of TRS or returned to membership on or after September 1, 2007, you will meet the age and service requirements for normal-age service retirement when: You are age 65 with five or more years of service credit or You are at least age 60, and your age and years of service credit total 80, and you have at least five years of service credit.

#### METHODS FOR DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF THE RETIREMENT BENEFIT

Flat benefit: Retirement benefit is determined by multiplying an employee's months of service by a predetermined flat monthly rate. Dollar amount for each year formula

Career average formula: Retirement benefit is determined as a function of the average of the employee's earnings throughout their entire employment.

**Final pay formula**: Retirement benefit is determined as a function of the average of the employee's earnings during the last year or last few years of employment.

**Highest pay formula**: Retirement benefit is determined as a function of the employee's highest annual earnings for one or more years.

7. What method is used to determine the amount of the retirement benefit under the defined benefit plan? Check all that apply. N=40

Highest pay formula	34	85%
Final pay formula	10	25%
Dollar amount for each year formula	4	10%
Career average formula	_	
Flat benefit	_	_
Other method	5	13%

Please briefly describe the method you indicated above.

#### **Highest Pay Formula**

2.5% x years of service x average earnings for three highest years.

2% x Years of Service x Average of 24 highest consecutive months salary.

A formula is used that takes the average of the four highest paid years in a row times a retirement factor set by the state General Assembly times the total number of years and months of creditable service.

Age and years of service.

Average Final Compensation (AFC) is the average annual pay or salary including overtime earned by a member during the three highest twelve-month periods of creditable service excluding any lump sum vacation pay.

Average of highest 3 salary years.

Average of highest 5 annual salaries.

Based on employees highest, continuous 36 months.

Based on years of service and the average of your five highest consecutive years of salary.

Benefit is calculated using the 3 highest annual salaries (HAS) with an 8% increase limit for those hired on or after 7/1/07, a 15% increase for those hired before 12/31/06.

Final average salary is three years for grandfathered employees, five years for non-grandfathered employees.

Formula based on average annual base earnings during the 36 continuous months of highest earnings during last 10 years of employment.

Formula that takes into account the number of years of service the highest five years of salary, and the age of the retiree.

Formula uses the average of the highest three years of annual earnings to determine the benefit.

Highest 5 year's earnings.

Highest average plan compensation is the member's average monthly salary calculated over the highest 36 continuous months preceding retirement.

One plan takes the average of the highest 24 consecutive months; another uses the highest 60 consecutive months.

Pay is based on 3 highest years of salary, normally it's the employee's last 3 years.

Pension at retirement is determined by a formula which uses the highest average salary and years of credited service while a member of the plan.

Percentage of the three best years.

Retirement benefit for non-exempt university staff is based on the average of the 3 years of highest salary while employed in a position associated with the state pension benefit.

Retirement benefits are based on a formula of 2% x final average salary x years of service. For Rule of 80 members, "final average salary" is an average of the three highest years of contributory service. For Rule of 90 members, "final average salary" is an average of the highest five consecutive years of contributory service.

The ASRS calculates your benefit by averaging your highest 36 consecutive months of salary in the last 10 years you work.

When calculating a normal age monthly standard annuity, TRS uses the following formula: (1) Average of Highest Five Annual Salaries (based on creditable compensation) = Average Salary; (2) Total Years of Service Credit X 2.3% = Total %; (3) Total % X Average Salary = Annual Annuity; (4) Annual Annuity ÷ 12 = Monthly Standard Annuity.

Years of benefit service multiplied by average compensation multiplied by a multiplier of 1.25% divided by 12 months. Average compensation = average of 5 highest plan years of compensation during the previous 10 plan years.

Years of contributory service, highest 36 months average wage, and average Canadian Pension Plan Earnings Ceiling.

Years of creditable service x percentage value (value received for each year of creditable service based upon membership class for that period) x average final compensation (5 highest fiscal years).

Years of service/55 x average of highest 3 years base salary.

#### **Final Pay Formula**

2.2% of final average salary times years of creditable service.

Factors include annual salary for last five years worked, years of service (whole and fractional), and age at retirement. The formula for calculating pension payments is as follows: Determine the highest annual rate of pay during the final five years of employment. Multiply such rate by 1.5% for up to \$38,000, by 1.4% for \$38,001–\$70,000, by 1.3% for over \$70,000. Multiply the sum of these factors by the number of years (whole and fractional) of service. Divide the product by 12 to establish monthly pension. Employees are eligible for "normal retirement" at age 65 or after with 5 years of service and will receive their full pension without reduction for early retirement. An employee is eligible for Early Retirement upon the attainment of 55 provided their age and service equals 75. Such "early retirement" may require a 4% "discount" of payment for each year before age 65 (to offset the actuarially extended life expectancy during which benefits will be paid). Pensions for employees who retire on or after age 55 with at least 30 years of service are discounted 2% per year. Pensions for employees who retire at age 60 or later with at least 25 years of service are not discounted for early retirement.

Final average salary times .75 times years of service up to 33 years. Before April 2010, the formula for average retirement benefit was 1.5% times years of service up to 33 years of service. In other words, the formula has changed beginning 2010 for those hired after April 2010.

Final pay - there is a formula calculator that takes into consideration years of service, military service, age, average of three highest earning years. Calculation is also done as a money purchase - how much annuity would your retirement contributions buy - whichever method provides the greater amount is selected.

Formula = years of service x final average salary x 1.67%.

Percentage of average final compensation, years of credited service. When you retire at normal retirement age (65), your annual normal retirement benefit is equal to: 1.25% of your average final compensation; times Your years of credited service up to 20; plus 1.66% of your average final compensation; times Your years of credited service over 20. Your benefit is figured on an annual basis. You receive 1/12 of your annual benefit each month. The formula above shows how much you would receive if payments start at your normal retirement date and continue for your lifetime only. If payments start earlier or if you choose a payment option with benefits continuing to someone after your death, your benefit will be reduced.

Three factors have a direct bearing on the amount of retirement benefit for which you are eligible. These are service credit, final average salary (FAS), and age at retirement. While each factor is important, the more service credit you have, the higher your monthly benefit will be. Each year of creditable service, up to 30, adds 2.2 percent of final average

salary to your benefit. Service greater than 30.000 is multiplied by 2.5 percent of FAS. The annual benefit may not exceed 100 percent of final average salary or the limits under Internal Revenue Code Section 415.

#### Other

Total credited service x graded multiplier x average monthly compensation. The period of your employment during which you are a member making contributions to the ASRS, plus any service purchased and credited to your account. Multiplied by a percentage set by statute. It is based on your total years of service at retirement. Multiplied by Determined by one of two calculation methods: the 36-month or 60-month calculation.

# 8. Under the defined benefit plan, do your retirees receive a health insurance premium subsidy? N=39

Yes	29	74%
No	10	26%

### 9. Additional comments about the defined benefit retirement plan. N=13

After April 2010, health plan is subsidized up to age 65, and then no longer subsidized. Employees hired before that date, they are currently being subsidized until death.

As part of your benefits of membership, the ASRS provides a health insurance premium benefit to supplement the cost of retiree health insurance. Retirees with five or more years of credited service who have health insurance through the ASRS or their former employer are eligible for a monthly premium benefit, which is paid to the health insurer or your former employer. The Premium Benefit ranges from \$75 to \$215 per month, depending upon years of service and coverage selected.

Employees may accrue sick leave until retirement. At retirement, the sick leave is "cashed out" at the last wage multiplied by hours earned. This creates a holding account from which health insurance may be paid in the retirement years. If you leave state service prior to retirement age, although you are eligible for a pension, you are not eligible for the sick leave/insurance option.

For Medicare eligible retirees, their premiums can be reduced by a state-funded contribution up to \$182.89.

Health benefits only with 25 continuous years of service and 55 years of age.

In order to be eligible for the OPERS health care plan, retirees must have a minimum of 10 years of qualifying service credit and retire from either the Traditional Pension Plan or the Combined Plan. OPERS offers medical/pharmacy coverage for retirees and their eligible dependents. Your monthly cost for medical/pharmacy coverage depends upon your Medicare status, your years of service credit at retirement, and your choice of plan level if not yet eligible for Medicare. We also offer optional dental and vision coverage at an additional cost.

N/A in Canadian context.

Retirees receive health insurance independent of the defined benefit retirement plan.

Retirees who elect an immediate monthly pension benefit retain extended health care benefits including surviving spouse benefit for life. The university pays 100% of costs (pro-rated if employee was part-time prior to retirement). Lifetime maximums in place for individuals residing in Canada, but outside Ontario. No health benefits if retiree resides outside Canada.

State Health Plan coverage continues for retirees and covered dependents as if currently employed. Dependent premiums are deducted from monthly retirement payments. The employer puts money into the retiree health plan for all retirement participants. When an employee retires, he/she is eligible for health insurance. New regulations stipulate that if the employee was hired after 10/01/2006, he/she must have a minimum of 20 years in the retirement system to receive the employer-paid health insurance at retirement.

Subsidy is based on years of service after age 45.

Support staff have a bridge benefit subsidy to age 65, librarians do not. But librarians can opt for a coverage choice plan with the university's provider that provides three levels of health and dental coverage which combine for a total of 5 options. These plans are available to university staff when they leave employment – coverage is guaranteed, no medical evidence is required, subject to application being made within 60 days of ending of employee group coverage.

With 10 years of service employee at retirement would receive 50% of the offered subsidy. With each additional year of service this increases 5% until with 20 years or more of service 100% of the subsidy would be granted.

#### **RETIREMENT PLANS: DEFINED CONTRIBUTION**

A defined contribution plan does not promise a specific amount of benefits at retirement. In these plans, the employee or the employer (or both) contribute to the employee's individual account, sometimes at a set rate, such as 5 percent of earnings annually. These contributions generally are invested on the employee's behalf. The employee will ultimately receive the balance in their account, which is based on contributions plus or minus investment gains or losses.

### **Examples of Defined Contribution Plans**

**401(k)** Retirement savings plan funded by pre-tax employee contributions and (often) matching contributions from the employer; the funds grow tax-free until they are withdrawn; funds may be transferable to a subsequent employer.

Roth 401(k) Retirement savings plan funded by post-tax employee contributions and (often) matching contributions from the employer; the funds grow tax-free; funds may be transferable to a subsequent employer.

SIMPLE IRA Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees of Small Employers IRA plan for employers with 100 or fewer employees.

**457** Tax advantaged deferred-compensation retirement plan that is available for governmental and certain non-governmental employers; the employee defers compensation into the plan on a pre-tax basis.

403(b) A tax-sheltered annuity plan offered by public schools and certain tax-exempt organizations; similar to a 401(k) plan.

**IRA** Individual Retirement Accounts are self-directed tax-deferred investment accounts.

Roth IRA Individual Retirement Accounts are self-directed investment accounts that offer tax-free earnings on assets in the account.

SRA Supplemental Retirement Annuity tax-deferred retirement plan.

**SEP** Simplified Employee Pension Plan

**401(a)** An employer-sponsored, qualified retirement plan in which the employee may defer earnings and the employer may make contributions which grow tax deferred until withdrawn.

10. Are library staff offered a defined contribution retirement plan such as or similar to the examples above? N=56

**Yes** 47 84% **No** 9 16%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions about the plan(s). If a defined contribution plan is offered with a variety of employer contributions, please respond for the plan with the highest employer contribution.

If you answered No, please skip to the Deferred, Early, and Phased Retirement section of the survey.

Please indicate whether each of the following types of defined contribution plan is offered to library staff. For each type of plan that is offered, please enter the number of years of employment required for vesting, the maximum percentage of the employee's salary that the employer will contribute, and where applicable, whether an employee contribution is required.

# 11. Is a 401(k) plan offered to library staff? N=45

Yes	7	16%
No	38	84%

# Vesting period in months N=5

Months	Responses
0	3
12	1
36	1

# Maximum % of salary contributed by employer N=7

Percentage	Responses
0	3
5	1
6	1
6.4	1
10.4	1

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=7

Yes	5	71%
No	2	29%

# 12. Is a Roth 401(k) plan offered to library staff? N=45

Yes	5	11%
No	40	89%

None

Maximum % of salary contributed by employer N=5

Percentage	Responses
0	2
6.4	1
10.4	1
Legal limit	1

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=3

# 13. Is a SIMPLE IRA plan offered to library staff? N=45

Vesting period in months N=2

None

Maximum % of salary contributed by employer N=2

0, 10.4

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=2

# 14. Is a 457 plan offered to library staff? N=46

**Yes** 33 72% **No** 13 28%

# 15. Is a 403(b) plan offered to library staff? N=46

**Yes** 42 91% **No** 4 9%

# Vesting period in months N=37

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	60	9.11	0	16.35

Months	Responses
0	24
12	6
13	1
24	1
36	3
60	2

# Maximum % of salary contributed by employer N=39

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	13.20	5.40	5	5.10

Percentage	Responses
0	16
5–9.99	7
10	6
>10	8
\$40/month	1
Legal limit	1

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=41

Yes	31	76%
No	10	24%

16. Is an IRA plan offered to library staff? N=44

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Yes 2 5%
No 42 95%
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Vesting period in months N=2

None

Maximum % of salary contributed by employer N=2

0, \$40 per month

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=2

17. Is a Roth IRA plan offered to library staff? N=46

Yes	4	9%
No	42	91%

Vesting period in months N=4

None

Maximum % of salary contributed by employer N=4

Percentage	Responses
0	3
10.4	1

	Yes	4	100%
	No	_	100 /0
	NO		
18.	Is an SRA plan offe	red to lik	orary staff? N=46
	Yes	14	30%
	No	32	70%
	Vesting period in r	months N	N=13
		lary con	tributed by employer N=13
	0		
	Is an employee con	tribution	n required to participate? N=13
	Yes	12	92%
	No	1	8%
19.	Is a SEP plan offere	d to libra	ary staff? N=46
	Yes	1	2%
	No	45	98%
	Vesting period in r	months N	N=1
	120		
	Maximum % of sa	lary con	tributed by employer N=1
	0		

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=4

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=1

**Yes** 1 100%

No —

20. Is a 401(a) plan offered to library staff? N=46

Yes 18 39% No 28 61%

Vesting period in months N=17

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	66	18.71	0	27.16

Months	Responses
0	11
36	2
60	3
66	1

Maximum % of salary contributed by employer N=18

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	18	8.04	8	4.86

Percentage	Responses
0	3
5–9.99	8
10	2
>10	5

Is an employee contribution required to participate? N=17

Yes 15 88% No 2 12%

## 21. Is any other type of defined contribution plan offered to library staff? N=40

**Yes** 5 13% **No** 35 87%

If yes, please briefly describe the plan. Include the vesting period in months, the maximum % of salary contributed by employer, and whether an employee contribution is required to participate. N=10

Description	Vesting period	Maximum % of salary	Contribution?
Faculty Pension Plan, Pension Plan for Management & Professional staff,		10	Yes
Pension Plan for CUPE staff			
Roth 403(b)	60	11.46	Yes
Roth 403(b)	0	0	Yes
Roth 403(b)	0	0	Yes
Roth 403(b)	0	0	Yes

# 22. Under any of the defined contribution plans, do your retirees receive a health insurance premium subsidy? N=40

**Yes** 15 37% **No** 25 63%

#### 23. Additional comments about defined contribution retirement plan(s). N=12

401(a) is used for temporary employees and leave balance cashouts for benefited employees as an alternative to the employer's contribution to FICA.

401(a) is alternative employer-paid plan from the defined benefit plan. Managers and faculty choose between one of two plans.

Employees have the option to waive participation in the defined benefit plan to participate in the defined contribution plan (401a). They do not participate in both. Participants in the 401a plan do earn time toward retiree health benefit eligibility.

For employees hired prior to April 1, 2010, the maximum employer contribution was 4%, with an employee contributing 5%. Employees hired after April 1, 2010, the max employer contribution is 6% when the employee contributes 6%.

For Medicare eligible retirees, their premiums can be reduced by a state-funded contribution of up to \$182.89.

Library staff exempt from the North Carolina Personnel Act have an option of the state defined benefit plan (Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System) or a 401a defined contribution plan (UNC Optional Retirement Program).

Employees subject to the North Carolina's State Personnel Act must participate in the state defined benefit plan.

Retirees receive health insurance independent of the defined contribution retirement plans.

The University Retirement Plans are 403(b) plans, which are tax-deferred retirement savings plans. Any contributions that you make to this plan are on a tax-deferred basis. Faculty and Staff Retirement Plan — You voluntarily contribute to your retirement through this 403(b) plan. In general, you must contribute at least 3% to get the Duke contribution and have at least one year of service. Exceptions are made if you are between the ages of 21-35 or if your immediate past employer was a non-profit or a state educational organization.

The library has two job classifications of employees: Clerical & Technical (typically hourly non-exempt, unionized) and Managerial & Professional (typically exempt, salaried professionals). Librarians are not considered tenure track or faculty members. All three programs—Yale University Retirement Account Plan (YURAP), Yale University Tax-deferred 403 (b) Savings Plan, and Yale University Matching Retirement Plan—are 403 (b) plans which vary by job classification. Up to 7.5% of salary University Core contribution plus 100% match up to 5% of salary; no employee contribution required to participate (to receive University Core contribution); employer match requires employee contribution. C&T: For employees with at least two years of service at benefit level, a dollar-for-dollar match of employee contributions will be made up to 2% of the base annual salary. For employees age 45 or older with at least 5 years of continuous service at benefit level, there will be a dollar for dollar match by the university of the employee contributions up to 4% of the base annual salary. M&P: For the first \$106,800 of base salary you earn in a fiscal year, the University Core will consist of a plan contribution equal to 5% of your earnings plus a dollar-for-dollar match for up to the first 5% you contribute to the plan. Once you earn over \$106,800 in a fiscal year, the University Core contribution will increase to 7.5% of your earnings while you continue to receive a dollar-for-dollar match on your contributions up to 5%.

There are different levels of contributions based on collective bargaining agreements. The above information is for non-bargaining employees.

Vesting is immediate for employee contributions to 403(b) plan. If employee was hired prior to January 1, 2010, vesting is after 12 months; if after January 1, 2010, vesting is 36 months. Roth 403(b) is a new option effective July 1, 2010. The 403(b) is available only to full-time employees. The SRA and Roth 403(b) are available to full- and part-time employees.

Vesting is immediate with the 401(a) plan. Voluntary 403(b) and 457 Deferred Compensation plans are offered to employees, but there is no employer match.

#### **DEFERRED, EARLY, AND PHASED RETIREMENT**

A Deferred Retirement Option Plan or DROP is a program under which an employee who would otherwise be entitled to retire and receive benefits under an employer's defined benefit retirement plan instead continues working. The continued compensation and additional years of service are not credited for the purposes of the defined benefit plan formula.

#### 24. Does your institution offer a Deferred Retirement Option Plan to library staff? N=55

Yes	13	24%
No	42	76%

An Early Retirement Incentive Program or ERIP is an employer sponsored plan that provides special benefits or incentives to an employee who makes the decision to retire sooner than they had otherwise planned.

## 25. Does your institution offer an Early Retirement Incentive Program to library staff? N=55

Yes	12	22%
No	43	78%

A phased retirement program allows an employee to continue working with a reduced workload and eventually transition from full-time work to full-time retirement.

## 26. Does your institution offer a formal phased retirement program to library staff? N=55

Yes	25	46%
No	30	54%

#### If yes, which of the following applies? N=25

A pre-retirement gradual reduction in hours (or days) of work	14	56%
A post-retirement part-time assignment for retirees	4	16%
Both	5	20%
Other	2	8%

## Please briefly describe the other program.

Available only to library faculty who must relinquish their tenure and sign a term contract for a maximum of three years before the person must retire completely.

If negotiated.

# 27. Please enter any additional comments or descriptions of these or similar retirement programs that are offered to library staff. N=12

Early retirement incentive programs have been offered in the past, but are not always available. Phased retirement is available, but not all librarians qualify. It depends on the appointment type. Phased retirement allows a gradual reduction of hours, not to drop below 25% time, and a maximum length of 5 years.

Early retirement options are not consistently offered. The current option is an "Early Retirement Incentive Plan" (ERIP), and has been offered the last two years in an effort to address budget issues.

ERIP is in the form of limited offer for enhanced benefit for voluntary layoff for those who would retire normally in the near future.

ERIP sometimes via buyouts, but not every year.

ERIs were offered in 2009 for both exempt and non-exempt employees. Non-exempt ERI: The retirement incentive plan, announced in March, was offered to biweekly salaried employees, on the university's defined benefit retirement program. To be eligible to receive the early retirement offer, an employee had to be at least 50 years old and have at least 10 years of service. The incentive to take the buyout gave the employee, among other benefits, an additional five years of service, thus increasing monthly pension payments, which are driven by the number of years of employment. Exempt ERI: Staff who work in those positions and meet the following criteria will have the opportunity to enroll for enhanced retirement benefits: Must be in a benefits-eligible position that has been identified by a school or department as one that could potentially be eliminated or restructured. Must meet the Rule of 75 (Age + Years of Continuous Service = 75) by December 31, 2009. Position must not be funded by more than 50 percent by grants or contracts. Eligible staff members who enroll for the Monthly Staff Retirement Incentive will receive a lump-sum payment of two weeks of pay for each full year of service with Duke (up to 52 weeks of pay). Staff would also receive payment for any accrued and unused vacation, up to a maximum of 40 days.

Not formally called DROP program but rather rehired annuitant. You may be hired back at same salary (or less or more — negotiable). You collect your pension, receive your pay, vacation time, sick leave, holidays. You cannot add to your seniority, your pension, or receive any insurances. You also have no quaranteed job security in this type of appointment.

On occasion, employees have been offered retirement incentives as a means to reduce staff.

Phased retirement is available to faculty. ERIP is available only to faculty who are tenure-track or tenured.

The early retirement incentive has been offered twice in the past twenty-five years, most recently in 2009, and has only been available to faculty, including library faculty. The incentive is half the participant's annual salary at the beginning of the next two fiscal years. So those who elected in spring 2009 to take the offer received half their salary in a lump sum on July 1, 2009, and will receive that amount again on July 1, 2010. The libraries had 3 faculty take the offer.

The phased retirement does not apply to classified staff — clerks, secretaries, etc.

The phased retirement program is offered only to academic employees.

The retirement options included as part of this policy are: Advance Retirement Declaration and Voluntary Early Partial Retirement Program. These options are available to regular faculty and administrative/professional staff members who are covered under the university's defined contribution retirement plan. To participate in any of the retirement alternatives, the individual must be at least 55 with a combination of age and years of service that equals or exceed 70.

## **LIFE AND ADD INSURANCE BENEFITS**

28. Please indicate in the table below whether life and/or accidental death & dismemberment (ADD) insurance benefits are offered to library staff and whether either benefit is offered to their spouses, domestic partners, or dependents. Check all that apply. N=55

	Employee	Spouse	Opposite sex	Same sex	Dependents	Not
			domestic partner	domestic partner		Offered
Basic Life Insurance	54	30	15	19	29	1
ADD Insurance	47	29	12	17	27	8
Number of responses	54	37	17	24	36	8

29. If both spouses and domestic partners are eligible for coverage, is the employee's expense for premiums the same for each? N=25

	Yes	No	NA
Basic Life Insurance	17	2	6
ADD Insurance	16	2	6
Number of responses	22	3	12

If basic life insurance is offered to library staff, please answer the following question.

If it is not offered, please continue to the ADD Insurance section of the survey.

30. For basic life insurance, what is the percentage of the premium that the employer contributes for each covered individual? Please enter a number from 0 to 100 for each category below. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. N=51

## Employee N=51

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	79.46	100	37.69

Percentage	Responses
0	8
33	1
50	2
80	3
100	36

Additional Comment: The university provides a Basic Life Insurance policy in an amount equal to your annual base salary.

## Spouse N=29

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	10.11	0	27.71

Percentage	Responses
0	24
33	2
50	1
100	1

Additional Comment: A Life Insurance policy for your spouse is \$5,000.

# Opposite sex domestic partner N=14

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	10.71	0	28.95

Percentage	Responses
0	12
50	1
100	1

# Same sex domestic partner N=19

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	8.33	0	23.73

Percentage	Responses
0	16
50	1
100	1

Additional Comment: A Life Insurance policy for your domestic partner is \$5,000.

# Dependent N=28

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	10.48	0	28.16

Percentage	Responses
0	23
33	1
50	1
100	2

Additional Comment: Each eligible child is \$2,500.

#### 31. For basic life insurance, what method is used to calculate the amount of the benefit? N=53

A fixed multiple of employee earnings	31	55%
A flat cash amount	19	36%
A variable multiple of employee earnings	2	4%
A variable cash amount	_	_
Other	1	2%

Please briefly describe the method you indicated above, including the multiple used (e.g., 2 X annual salary) or the cash amount.

#### A fixed multiple of employee earnings N=26

- 1 x annual salary.
- 1 x annual salary to a maximum of \$50,000.
- 1.5 times base annual salary (reduced by 50% at age 70).
- 1.5 x annual salary.
- 2 x annual salary; max \$250,000. Coverage factor is reduced by 8% each year beginning @ age 55.
- 3 1/2 x annual salary.
- 3 x annual salary rounded to the next highest \$1,000. There is a maximum of \$600,000 coverage.

A flat amount based on earnings.

Defined contribution: 3.5% of base salary; employer contribution 100%. Defined benefit:: 3% of base salary; employer contribution .005%.

Employee basic life coverage is two times annualized salary until age 65 (maximum coverage of \$200,000), plus accidental death and dismemberment. Coverage is updated yearly based on December 31 pay and age. The Supplemental Life coverage is portable after termination or upon retirement until age 70. Children may be covered by only one parent if both parents work at the university.

Employee can choose from a multiple of 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 times his/her earnings.

Employee life: 1x annual salary - employer pays 100% cost, employee pays 0%. 2x and 3x annual salary - employer pays 67%, employee pays 33%. 4-6x annual salary - employer pays 0%, employee pays 100%. Spousal life available: 1-6x annual salary max \$200,000 - employer pays 0%, employee pays 100%.

Employees may choose one of 5 options: \$10,000; \$50,000; \$100,000; 2x annual base salary; 4x annual base salary. The university's contribution for life insurance equals the cost of the 2x annual base salary option.

Employees working 75% time or greater receive employer paid life insurance at 1 time annual salary rounded up to the nearest \$5,000. Employees may purchase additional life insurance with a maximum of \$500,000 or 5 times annual salary, whichever is greater with a maximum of \$1,000,000. Employees may enroll in spouse/same sex domestic partner life insurance up to a maximum of \$500,000. Child life insurance is \$10,000 per child with a flat rate of \$.42 biweekly.

Equivalent to full year's salary (up to 4 x annual salary for younger faculty).

Generally, basic life insurance is 1 time the employee's annual salary rate multiplied by the percent time of the employee's appointment up to a maximum benefit of \$50,000.

Greater of \$100,000 or two times the basic annual salary to a maximum of \$200,000. Spouse and dependents receive a flat cash amount.

One time annual salary.

One time your benefit base rounded up to the next \$100 - full-time employees only.

One times salary up to \$120,000 max.

One year's salary up to \$50,000.

The university pays 100% of premium for term life coverage equal to one and a half times and employee's annual budgeted salary, rounded to the nearest \$1,000.00 not to exceed \$500,000.00. Options offering coverage greater than one and a half times employee's annual budgeted salary and coverage for dependents: Employees can elect one to eight times their annual salary.

Twice the annual salary.

Two times base annual salary, up to a maximum of \$50,000.

Two times annual salary adjusted to the next lower even \$10,000 multiple.

University provides a Basic Life Insurance policy in an amount equal to your annual base salary. A Life Insurance policy for your spouse is \$5,000 and each eligible child is \$2,500.

#### A flat cash amount N=18

\$10,000 basic term life (employee only).

\$15,000 term insurance policy; \$15,000 seat belt incentive.

\$25,000 flat cash amount—premium 100% paid by employer. Employees may purchase optional life insurance in multiples of 1 to 5 times their annual salary.

\$25,000 for each eligible employee.

\$5,000; \$2,500 retiree.

\$5,000 policy - EE pays \$3.36/month & ER pays \$3.39/month.

\$50,000 for employee; \$2,000 for spouse and each dependent.

All benefits-eligible employees receive university-sponsored Basic Life insurance coverage in the amount of \$10,000 for staff and \$50,000 for faculty. At age 65, the basic coverage drops to \$6,500 for staff and \$32,500 for faculty. There is no cost to employee for this coverage.

Basic life AD&D is \$50,000 flat amount. No cost to employee. All others are optional paid by employee.

Basic life insurance is non-contributory and a flat \$10,000. Employees may elect additional voluntary life insurance for 1.5, 2, or 3 times salary to an aggregate limit of \$500,000. Employees pay the full cost of the voluntary insurance. The rates are age banded.

Flat amount of \$5,000 provided for employee at University expense.

Flat cash amount (non-contributory plan) Basic Life ADD Supplemental (contributory plan) available: C&T \$5000; M&P \$25,000. Non-Contributory Life Insurance: Eligible employees participate without payment of premiums in a non-contributory group term life insurance plan. The face value of the policy is \$5,000 for managerial and professional staff. Contributory Life Insurance: The cost of this insurance is borne largely by the participants except that the first \$5,000 coverage is provided free to managerial and professional participants. Group Term Life Insurance: The university provides all eligible Clerical & Technical and Service & Maintenance employees with \$5,000 of basic term life insurance and an equivalent amount of Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage. The university provides all eligible Managerial & Professional employees with \$25,000 of basic term life insurance and an equivalent amount of Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage. Supplemental Life Insurance: The university currently offers all eligible employees the opportunity to purchase Group Term Life Insurance and an equivalent amount of Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage in multiples of 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 times their base annual salary or a flat amount of \$50,000. The maximum amount of coverage is \$1,500,000.

For librarians it is a \$60,000 lump sum payment to the beneficiary. For support staff it is a lump sum payment that is 2 times basic annual earnings, with a minimum benefit of \$15,000.

Life insurance is \$ 6,000 and sponsored by the union representing librarians and professionals. None is offered to classified staff. We also receive group long-term disability. Both insurances are free to employee.

Opposite sex domestic partners can be covered if at least one partner is 62 or older. WSU doesn't pay a percentage on our employees, but we do purchase a \$25K policy on all employees.

The amount of the group term life insurance coverage is \$10,000 and the plan provides an additional benefit of up to \$10,000 in the event of an accidental death or dismemberment (AD&D). The beneficiary must comply with the terms of the underwriter in making the claim for a benefit. The amount of the AD&D benefit is based on a table of covered losses and provides 100% for the loss of life, and 50% for the loss of a hand, foot, or eye sight from one eye due to an accident which is the sole cause of the injury, the injury is the sole cause of the loss, and the loss occurs not more than 90 days after the date of the accident.

The university provides a \$15,000 group term life insurance policy for faculty and staff. You can purchase additional term insurance for yourself and for your family through payroll deduction.

#### A variable multiple of employee earnings N=2

Coverage is 50% of employee annual salary with minimum and maximum. FT range - \$15,000 - \$50,000; PT range - \$7,500 - \$25,000.

Up to 5 x salary.

If accidental death & dismemberment insurance is offered to library staff, please answer the following question.

If it is not offered, please click the Next>> button below to continue to the Insurance Benefits section of the survey.

32. For ADD insurance, what is the percentage of the premium that the employer contributes for each covered individual? Please enter a number from 0 to 100 for each category below. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. N=42

## Employee N=39

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	55.85	85	48.53

Percentage	Responses
0	16
33	1
80	2
85	1
100	19

## Spouse N=23

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	85	5.13	0	18.72

Percentage	Responses
0	21
33	1
85	1

Opposite sex domestic partner N=8

0

Same sex domestic partner N=13

0

## Dependent N=22

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	85	5.36	0	19.13

Percentage	Responses
0	20
33	1
85	1

#### 33. Additional comments about life and accident insurance benefits. N=19

.13 per \$10,000 Single Coverage; .26 per \$10,000 Family Coverage.

\$10,000 basic accidental death and dismemberment (employee only).

ADD is part of basic life insurance.

All benefits-eligible employees receive university-sponsored basic AD&D insurance coverage in the amount of \$3,000. There is no cost to employee for this coverage.

Basic life AD&D is \$50,000 flat amount. No cost to employee. All others are optional paid by employee.

Basic Life and ADD paid 100% by employer. Additional AD&D coverage may be purchased by employee in multiples of \$25,000; from \$25,000 to \$500,000.

Basic Life Insurance offered to one (Other Qualified Adult) who shares a primary residence with the employee and has done so for the previous 6 continuous months, other than as an employee or tenant. ADD insurance provided to active library staff while traveling on official university business.

Employee pays the premium.

Employees may elect between 10,000 and 150,000 of ADD coverage. They may choose to insure spouse/partner for 1/5 the face value and may choose to insure dependent children to age 23 for 1/10 the face value. It is fully paid by the employee.

Employer pays for \$15,000 accidental death and dismemberment insurance for employee only.

Full-time regular staff may purchase AD&D coverage in increments of \$10,000 (up to 10 x your annual salary or \$500,000, whichever is less). Family coverage is available for eligible family members.

If you are an active benefits-eligible employee or elected official who regularly works at least 20 hours each week, the state provides \$15,000 Basic Life and AD&D insurance at no cost to you.

In addition to Basic Life insurance, Supplemental Life insurance and Dependent Life insurance are offered.

Life insurance for part-time employees is only available to employees (no spouse/partner/dependents coverage). They can elect up to two times base salary at their own cost. Supplemental life insurance is available for full-time employees up to five times base salary at an employee's own cost. Coverage for spouse/domestic partner is \$15,000 and child is \$7.500/child.

Life insurance is available to all staff but ADD is only available to academic staff and senior support staff designated as Management and Professional Staff.

The amount of the AD&D benefit is based on a table of covered losses and provides 100% for the loss of life, and 50% for the loss of a hand, foot, or eye sight from one eye due to an accident which is the sole cause of the injury, the injury is the sole cause of the loss, and the loss occurs not more than 90 days after the date of the accident. AD&D Exclusions: AD&D (Accidental Death and Dismemberment) benefits aren't paid for losses that are the result of the following: Physical or mental illness, diagnosis of or treatment for the illness infection, unless it is cased by an external wound that can be seen and which was sustained in an accident, suicide or attempted suicide, injuring yourself on purpose, the use of a drug or medicine, a war, or a warlike action in time of peace, committing or trying to commit a felony or other serious crime, or an assault.

The employer also offers an optional life in addition to the basic life benefit which provides additional life insurance to employees (both librarians and support staff) and is entirely employee paid. The employer also offers an optional dependent life benefit (both librarians and support staff) for spouse and eligible dependents that is entirely employee paid. Just to note that the ADD is optional for librarians and is employee paid but the ADD for support staff is not optional and is entirely employer paid. And there is also a voluntary accidental insurance plan that provides additional coverage for support staff that is employee paid. Librarians have critical illness insurance that is employer paid and additional critical illness voluntary insurance for self and for spouse that is employee paid. Librarians and support staff also have employer paid travel insurance that covers death or bodily injury while travelling on university business.

This is 100% employee paid and is a voluntary benefit.

We don't pay a percentage on the employee, but we do purchase a \$5K policy on all employees.

## **INSURANCE BENEFITS**

34. Please indicate in the table below which of the following insurance benefits are offered to library staff and whether any of the available plans offer coverage for their spouses, domestic partners, or dependents. Check all that apply. N=53

	Employee	Spouse	Opposite sex domestic partner	Same sex domestic partner	Dependents	Not Offered
Health insurance	52	52	23	36	50	_
Dental insurance	53	53	24	38	52	_
Vision insurance	44	43	18	27	43	8
Short-term disability insurance	35	2	1	2	2	10
Long-term disability insurance	50	4	1	2	2	2
Other insurance benefit	24	15	6	8	12	9
Number of responses	53	53	26	39	52	22

## If you answered "Other insurance benefit," please briefly describe the benefit. N=26

#### Employee N=9

Auto & Homeowners Insurance; Long-term Care; Pet Insurance.

Cancer coverage. Accident coverage.

Hospitalization.

Long-term care insurance.

Long-term care insurance - group policy - is an out of pocket expense to employee. Coverage for medications is offered to all who receive health insurance.

Long-term care insurance plan.

Long-term care insurance.

Sick leave, Government run health care plan, supplementary coverage provided by employer.

Tuition benefit: 100% tuition waived for employees taking university degree credit courses; 50% reduction (pro-rated for part-time) tuition reduction for dependent children of employees taking university degree credit courses.

## Employee and Spouse N=3

Long-term Care.

Long-term care and legal insurance.

Long-term Care Coverage.

## Employee, Spouse, and Dependents N=4

Cancer and Critical Illness benefits.

Cancer Insurance; Accident Insurance; Supplemental health/Hospital insurance.

Cancer Insurance. Accident Insurance. Critical Illness Insurance.

Long-term care insurance available.

#### Employee, Spouse, Dependents, and Same Sex Domestic Partner N=2

Legal insurance.

Legal insurance, which provides a wide range of legal services.

# Employee, Spouse, Dependents, Same Sex Domestic Partner, and Opposite Sex Domestic Partner N=5

EAP/Wellness benefit: "Counseling & Support Services" is now provided by Magellan Health Services. The new program, formerly the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), offers you and your family unlimited phone support and

an increased number of in-person consultations—up to six (6) visits per issue for each family member at no cost. Counseling & Support Services also provides a wide range of additional family support benefits, including: Financial services; Personal consultation services; Stress management; Dependent care referrals for child and elder care; Adoption resources and services; Work/Life services.

Extended health; Employee and family assistance program.

Group Long-term Care Insurance: Long-term care insurance can help provide protection against the high costs of long-term care that can result from the effects of aging, illness, or a serious accident.

Long-term Care Insurance.

Optional life insurance: maximum for employee = \$600,000; maximum for spouse/domestic partner = \$400,000; maximum for dependents = \$5,000 each.

# 35. If both spouses and domestic partners are eligible for coverage, is the employee's expense for premiums the same for each? N=40

	Yes	No	NA
Health insurance	32	4	1
Dental insurance	33	3	3
Vision insurance	26	1	_
Short-term disability insurance	2	_	_
Long-term disability insurance	2	_	_
Other insurance benefit	7	_	_
Number of responses	35	4	3

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#### **HEALTH INSURANCE**

If health insurance is offered to library staff, please answer the following question.

If it is not offered, please continue to the Dental and Vision Insurance section of the survey.

36. Please indicate which of the following treatments are covered by at least one of the health insurance plans offered to library staff. Check all that apply. N=52

Inpatient mental health	49	94%
Outpatient mental health	49	94%
Substance abuse rehabilitation	45	87%
Contraception	45	87%
Substance abuse detoxification	44	85%
Hospice care	43	83%
Infertility	33	64%
Acupuncture	24	46%
None of the above	1	2%

37. Please indicate whether any of the health insurance plans offered to library staff covers the following type of care, if coverage is offered through a separate supplemental plan, or if coverage is not available. Check all that apply. N=52

	Covered by Health Plan	Covered by Separate Supplemental Plan	Coverage Not Available
Hospitalization	49	6	1
Cancer	49	7	_
Intensive Care Unit	48	2	1
Long-term Care	12	34	7
Prescriptions	50	5	_
Number of responses	50	37	7

# 38. If you indicated above that care is covered under a supplemental plan, please enter the percentage of the premium that the employer contributes. N=37

All of the US respondents reported that the employer contributes nothing to these premiums.

The Canadian answers follow:

Medical Services Plan of British Columbia: basic medical premiums are 100% paid by members; Extended Health Benefits are paid by the university. Coverage maximum varies depending on the service, e.g., Vision care is up to \$250 in any 24 month period; hearing aids up to \$900 per 5-year period, etc.

Ontario health insurance plan (OHIP) covers 100% of inpatient hospitalization costs including intensive care unit. Cancer drugs provided in hospital are covered by OHIP. Waterloo's prescription drug plan covers drugs legally requiring a prescription. Cancer medication is covered. Pre-approval by insurer is required in most cases. Other cancer related costs in supplemental plan include coverage for wig (due to hair loss from chemotherapy/radiation); breast prosthesis and mastectomy bras (after OHIP plan has paid their costs)

Our provincial health insurance plan pays for basic health services however the university's supplemental health plan will pay for things such as upgraded ward accommodations, out of hospital private nursing, wigs and hair pieces for cancer survivors, and all prescriptions are covered.

The government covers Intensive Care unit coverage therefore our plan does have this sort of coverage.

The province (Alberta) has a publicly administered and funded health care system that ensures Albertans receive access to medically necessary hospitals and health care services. This coverage is supplemented with an extended health care plan which is available to all staff and their families and is 100% employer funded.

#### 39. Additional comments about health insurance that is offered to library staff.

Acupuncture may be covered if medically necessary.

Contraception is only for medical necessity, not for birth control. Long-term acute care is covered by health plan. Other long-term care requires a supplemental plan.

Contraceptive jellies, creams, foams, or implants not covered.

Coverage for full-time library staff and all eligible dependents/partners is covered at no expense to employee. Domestic partners pay tax on an imputed value of partner's coverage premiums.

Employees pay approximately 20% of the cost of health care, although the exact formula varies by bargaining unit and employee classification. Contributions are primarily pre-tax, with the exception of the tax treatment for domestic partner coverage.

Health insurance premiums are shared by employee and employer. For a single policy the employee pays 10% of premiums. For family coverage, the employee pays 25% of the premium. This can be on a pre-tax basis.

Medical plan rates are tiered, based on one's medical contribution base/salary so that the cost of medical insurance is somewhat proportional to one's pay rate.

Several different plans/rates offered to staff.

Skilled nursing care is covered but long-term care is not covered.

The state health plan pays for the medical treatment of cancer; the supplementary cancer insurance covers incidental expenses related to cancer care as well as 29 other specified diseases.

#### **DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE**

If dental or vision insurance is offered, please answer the following question.

If neither is offered, please continue to the Disability Insurance section of the survey.

40. For dental and vision insurance, what is the percentage of the premium that the employer contributes? Please enter a number from 0 to 100 for each category below. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. N=49

Dental N=48

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	60.98	80	43.17

Percentage	Responses
0	13
7	1
40	1
50	3
54	1
55	1
60	1
80	4
90	2
100	20

#### Vision N=41

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	43.85	0	48.32

Percentage	Responses
0	22
60	1
80	2
88	1
90	1
100	14

#### 41. Additional comments about dental and vision insurance. N=17

Additional dental and vision coverage beyond the basic coverage is provided at reduced rates as part of the group plan.

Again, employees pay approximately 20% of the cost, but the cost and plans vary by job classification and bargaining agreement.

Both are union benefits.

Dental 100% of premium for single coverage only.

Dental is incorporated into the medical premiums for the various health plans available to employees.

Vision: The vision care plan provides coverage for prescription lenses and frames, contact lenses (in lieu of eyeglasses), and a complete annual eye exam for a low monthly premium. Under the plan, employee can visit an optometrist or ophthalmologist within the United Healthcare Vision network or may choose to visit an out-of-network provider, which may result in higher out-of-pocket costs.

Employee must work for 6 months before coverage is active.

Employer pays 100% for employee (single) dental; 0% for family dental.

Employer pays a specific dollar amount equivalent to 60% of the final premium rates established by the Employer Union Trust Fund Board for the respective health benefit plans.

For dental, reimbursement levels for employees, spouses, and dependents depend on the plan in which you are enrolled. Eligible expenses are based on the current year Sun Life Dental Fee Guide for Alberta and is adjusted yearly for cost of living. Basic dental expenses are reimbursed at 100% by the employer. Vision care expenses are up to a maximum of \$350 per Insured employee, spouse or dependent.

If the employee uses a participating plan dentist or vision care provider, the employee does not pay for service. These services are provided through a trust fund that is negotiated through the bargaining unit.

No premiums for employees, but costs for dependents, family, etc. Different vision vendors/options—Yale Health Plan vs. EyeMed. For both C&T and M&P staff, Yale Health Plan covers routine (annual) eye exams on site at 100%. Also

some benefit in Aetna Plans with co-pay/coinsurance. M&P Vision — EyeMed Vision Care (voluntary) — members pay 100% of premium.

The employer contributes \$100 to each benefits eligible member per calendar year.

The employer pays 100% of the coverage for singe vision but the employee pays a premium if they require family vision.

Vision coverage is provided through the health care plans.

Vision is included in medical insurance.

Vision is sometimes included in health plan.

## **DISABILITY INSURANCE**

If short- or long-term disability insurance is offered to library staff, please answer the following questions.

If neither is offered, please click the Next>> button below to continue to the Tax Advantaged Accounts section of the survey.

42. Please provide the following information about the short-term disability plan. If more than one plan is offered, please answer for the plan with the most generous coverage. N=33

Duration of coverage in weeks N=29

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
4	52	28.31	24	15.14

Weeks	Responses
4	1
12	3
13	3
20	1
22	2
24	5
25	1
26	5
39	1
52	7

# Percentage of the employee's income that is replaced N=30

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
50	100	70.67	66.66	15.26

Percentage	Responses
50	2
55	1
60	8
65	1
66.66	6
70	4
75	1
80	1
85	1
100	5

## Percentage of the premium that the employer contributes N=27

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	36.83	0	48.90

Percentage	Responses
0	16
0.5	1
93.8	1
100	9

# Number of days in elimination period (shortest number if there are multiple options) N=27

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	180	25.70	14	36.19

Days	Responses
0	5
5	1
7	6
14	2
15	1
21	1
28	1
30	5
45	1
60	3
180	1

Is the maternity/childbirth/recovery period treated the same as other conditions under the plan? N=31

Yes	24	77%
No	7	23%

43. Please provide the following information about the long-term disability plan. If more than one plan is offered, please answer for the plan with the most generous coverage. N=44

Maximum benefit N=36

\$3,900.00

\$6,000.00

\$7,000.00

\$7,500.00

\$8,000.00

\$9,000.00

\$10,000.00

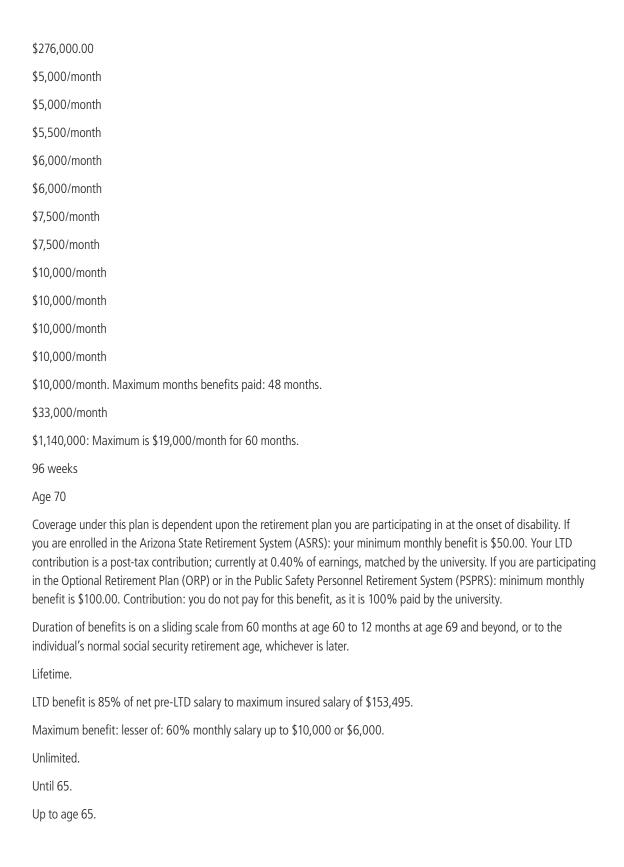
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\$12,000.00

\$13,611.79

\$138,000.00



Percentage of the employee's income that is replaced N=43

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
50	85	63.02	60	6.47

Percentage	Responses
50	2
60	24
65	4
66	9
70	2
85	2

Percentage of the premium that the employer contributes N=40

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	53.80	100	49.80

Percentage	Responses
0	17
2	1
50	1
100	21

Number of days in elimination period (shortest number if there are multiple options) N=42

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	182.50	117.15	105	60.60

Days	Responses
<30	3
30	3
45	1
60	2
90	12
120	3
149	1
180	15
>180	2

#### 44. Additional comments about disability insurance. N=30

75% of first \$1,000 monthly salary, 60% of monthly salary above that figure.

After the first \$15,000, percentage varies with salary.

Also offer an enhanced plan which is 66 2/3% of base salary with a 50% employer contribution to a maximum of \$8,333 per month benefit.

Core LTD coverage has 3 maximums, based on job category. If disabled, benefits continuation is included with the income benefit. The employee pays for 50% of the cost. Employees may increase the income benefit by purchasing supplemental LTD. Supplemental coverage increases the income replacement to a total of 66 2/3% of salary, subject to a maximum benefit. Employees pay the full cost of supplemental coverage.

Duration of benefits is on a sliding scale from 60 months at age 60 to 12 months at age 69 and beyond, or to the individual's normal social security retirement age, whichever is later.

Elimination period is 30 days or exhaustion of sick leave, whichever is later. LTD includes 15% annuity payment.

Employee has 15 weeks paid sick leave at 100% pay. The LTD elimination period is 90 calendar days. The percentage of employee's income that is replaced can vary depending on their rate of pay but the general guideline is approximately 60%.

Extended Sick Time pays maximum of 6 months of employee's full (100%) salary, and 6 months (50%) of employee's salary. Eligibility is granted after two years of continuous service. Expanded Long-Term Disability is salary replacement, plus payment of medical, dental, group life insurance, and retirement savings plan contributions.

It is offered to librarians and professionals only, not to classified staff.

LTD benefits are payable for the first 24 months after the waiting period. After 24 months, LTD benefits will continue only if your disability prevents you from being gainfully employed in any job. The benefits are payable until the earliest of recovery or return to work, death, or your 65th birthday.

Maternity/childbirth question: depends on which plan is selected. Maximum benefit for long-term disability is \$10,000 per month until the employee reaches age 65.

Maximum benefit depends on age. Percentage of employee's benefit depends on option employee selects.

Maximum benefit is to age 65 or 5 years, whichever is greater.

Pays 66.66% of the first \$15,000 of your Pre-disability Earnings, reduced by Deductible Income. Minimum monthly benefits \$100 or 10% of your LTD Benefit before reduction by Deductible Income, whichever is greater. Maximum \$10,000 before reduction by Deductible Income.

Effective July 1, 2010, M&P staff will be eligible for a new comprehensive Short-term Disability (STD) plan that will be fully integrated with the Sick Pay program. The Short-term Disability (STD) plan, in conjunction with Sick Pay, will provide M&P staff salary protection for up to 26 weeks for extended absence due to a non-work related illness or disability. In addition to using your new sick days, you will still be able to use any Sick Pay that you have accrued prior to July 1, 2010. If you become ill or disabled, you will first use your Sick Pay bank which will continue to provide 100% income replacement. If you exhaust your sick time and have been absent from work for at least one week, you will become eligible for STD, which will cover 100% of your salary for weeks 2 – 6 and 60% of your salary for weeks 7 – 26 of your illness or disability. After 26 weeks you may become eligible for Long-term Disability (LTD). C&T Long-term Disability:

Eligible participants are regular employees who are scheduled to work at least 20 hours per week. Eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Long-Term Disability Base Plan at no cost to employees. Benefit: Under the Base Plan on the first of the month following 180 days (6-month elimination period) of total disability, employees are entitled to receive 60% of their base monthly earnings to a maximum of \$7,500 minus any other payments received, such as Worker's Compensation or Social Security disability payments. The monthly benefit will not be less than \$100. M&P Long-term Disability: Eligible participants are regular employees who are scheduled to work at least 20 hours per week. Eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Long-Term Disability Base Plan at no cost to employees on base salaries up to \$150,000. Benefit: Under the Base Plan on the first of the month following 180 days (6-month elimination period) of total disability resulting in lost earned income of 20% or more, staff are entitled to receive 60% of their base monthly earnings to a maximum of \$7,500 minus any other payments received, such as Worker's Compensation or Social Security disability payments. The monthly benefit will not be less than \$100. Supplemental Coverage: Faculty and staff with base annual salary levels between \$150,000 and \$400,000 may purchase supplemental disability coverage on a payroll deduction basis. The maximum monthly benefit is \$20,000 (\$7,500 of base benefit plus \$12,500 of supplemental coverage). Expanded Sick Time Policy: Paid sick days provide income protection when employees are ill or injured. This time can be used for other purposes. If faced with an extended period of illness or injury, the employee may apply for an unpaid disability leave and/or the Long-Term Disability benefit. The sick time policy allows employees to use accrued sick time for the care of an eligible family member. Eligible family members are defined as: child, spouse, parent, parent-in law, and same sex domestic partner. Pregnancy and Childbirth Disability: The normal period of pregnancy and childbirth disability is considered to be eight weeks: two weeks before delivery and six weeks afterwards. For disability leaves of longer duration, a physician's statement is required. NOTE: State FMLA requires covered employers to provide eligible employees up to a total of sixteen workweeks of leave during any twenty-four-month period.

Short-term disability insurance is offered to non-exempt staff through the state pension plan.

Short-term disability percentage of the employee's income that is replaced is a maximum of \$800/month.

The \$138,000 max is annual; \$11,500 monthly max.

The library allows employees to purchase various types of insurance using payroll deductions through city approved vendors. The employee must work directly with the vendor to decide coverage, duration and cost.

The minimum benefit through long-term disability is 67% of monthly salary. Employees may receive 100% of their salary for a maximum of 12 months with more than 10 years of service.

The short-term disability insurance covers pregnancy after being a member for 360 days. The long-term disability benefit is a max of \$5,000/month if salary is under \$100,000 and \$10,000/month if salary is over \$100,000.

This plan is only provided to the employees who elect the 401a plan.

Though the university does not provide short-term disability insurance, upon hire an initial short-term disability reserve of twenty-two (22) days is established for most librarians and there is an opportunity to accrue additional days each fiscal year.

We do not have short-term disability, we have a Sick Leave Bank program and staff contribute a day and are members and if they need it the time is almost unlimited and the pay is 100%. We do offer a long-term disability plan, however many staff do not elect this option.

We don't have short-term (although we do have a maternity and paternity leave provision) but for LTD the employer pays 1.61% of insurable payroll.

Who Is Not Eligible? Temporary employees, Non-faculty employees working less than 30 hours per week, Faculty who are not full-time, Employees covered for other monthly disability income coverage provided by university, Private Diagnostic Clinic faculty, and House Staff Officers, and Employees who reside outside of the United States. Eligible: If you are a regular, full-time faculty member or a regular, full-time employee scheduled to work at least 30 hours per week, you are eligible to participate in the Disability Program as of the first day of the month after the completion of three years of full-time continuous service. You also are eligible to participate in the plan as of the first day of the month after your hire date, without the three-year waiting period if you have had group long-term disability coverage (which would have provided benefits for a minimum of five years) through your former employer within 90 days of starting your eligible position.

We do not have a separate short-term disability plan. Our long-term disability plan has a 30-day waiting period to address short-term issues.

#### TAX ADVANTAGED ACCOUNTS

If any of the following tax advantaged accounts is offered to library staff, please answer the following questions.

If none is offered, please continue to the HMO Program section of the survey.

45. Please indicate whether any of the following tax advantaged accounts is offered to library staff. N=52

	Yes	No
Flexible Spending Account (FSA)–Medical Reimbursement	42	10
Flexible Spending Account (FSA)—Dependent Care Reimbursement	44	8
Health Savings Account (HSA)	13	39
Health Reimbursement Account (HRA)	7	45
Limited Purpose Medical Reimbursement	4	48

46. For each type of account that is offered, please enter the maximum annual contribution (in dollars) by the employer. N=44

Flexible Spending Account (FSA)-Medical Reimbursement N=40

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	12,000	1,682.50	0	2672.35

\$	Responses
0	24
500	1
600	1
1,000	1
2,500	1
3,000	1
4,000	2
4,200	1
4,500	1
5,000	1
6,000	5
12,000	1

# Flexible Spending Account (FSA)–Dependent Care Reimbursement N=42

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	5,000	1,804.76	0	2413.57

\$	Responses
0	26
800	1
5,000	15

# Health Savings Account (HSA) N=13

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	6,150	1,517.85	500	2166.74

\$	Responses
0	5
500	2
1,000	1
1,300	1
1,400	1
3,050	1
5,832	1
6,150	1

## Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) N=7

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	5,000	1,145.71	800	1833.75

\$	Responses
0	1
100	1
120	1
300	1
500	1
2,000	1
5,000	1

## Limited Purpose Medical Reimbursement N=4

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	5,000	1,250	0	2500.00

\$	Responses
0	3
5,000	1

#### **HMO PROGRAM**

Health Maintenance Organization (HMO)/managed care program: This is a type of health care plan that provides a full range of health care services to its members. Members are required to choose a primary care physician (PCP), and must typically receive all of their medical care from health care providers in the HMO network. The PCP typically authorizes most referrals to specialists and other services.

## 47. Are library staff offered an HMO option? N=52

Yes 27 52% No 25 48%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions.

If you answered No, please continue to the PPO Program section of the survey.

A high deductible health plan (AKA consumer driven insurance) is a health plan with lower premiums and a higher deductible for major care, like hospitalization or surgery.

48. Is a high deductible version of the HMO offered to library staff? N=26

Yes	6	23%
No	20	77%

49. Please provide the following information about the HMO program. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. If an item is not applicable, please enter 0. N=22

Percentage of premium the employer pays for single coverage N=21

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
70	100	88.92	90	8.24

Percentage	Responses
70–79	2
80–89	6
90–99	11
100	2

Deductible for single coverage N=19

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	1,500	176.32	0	435.05

\$	Responses
0	15
250	1
350	1
1,250	1
5,000	1

# Maximum out of pocket for single coverage N=17

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	4,000	1,125	1,000	1244.99

\$	Responses
0	7
1,000	2
1,500	2
2,000	3
3,000	1
4,000	1
unlimited	1

# Percentage of premium the employer pays for family coverage N=21

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
65	98.50	82.02	83	9.60

Percentage	Responses
65	2
70–79	5
80–89	9
90–99	5

# Deductible for family coverage N=19

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	3,000	357.89	0	881.33

\$	Responses
0	15
250	1
1,050	1
2,500	1
3,000	1

## Maximum out of pocket for family coverage N=17

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	8,000	2,500	3,000	2633.12

\$	Responses
0	7
3,000	4
4,000	2
6,000	2
8,000	1
unlimited	1

#### **PPO PROGRAM**

Participating Provider Option (PPO): A PPO is a program where an insurance company and medical groups enter into agreements in which they agree to the prices for specific services, such as an office visit or lab work or imaging services. Providers typically accept reduced rates of reimbursement from the health plan in exchange for access to the PPO's enrollees. If patients choose to receive care from providers who do not participate in the PPO, they pay higher copayments and deductibles because the services are from non-participating providers.

### 50. Are library staff offered a PPO option? N=52

Yes	38	73%
No	14	27%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions.

If you answered No, please continue to the Point-of-Service Program section of the survey.

A high deductible health plan (AKA consumer driven insurance) is a health plan with lower premiums and a higher deductible for major care, like hospitalization or surgery.

#### 51. Is a high deductable version of the PPO offered to library staff? N=36

Yes	14	39%
No	22	61%

52. Please provide the following information about the PPO program. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. If an item is not applicable, please enter 0. N=35

Percentage of premium the employer pays for single coverage N=32

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
10	100	84.80	86.50	16.90

Percentage	Responses
<60	1
60–69	1
70–79	4
80–89	13
90–99	7
100	6

Maximum out of pocket for single coverage N=31

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	19,500	3,041.94	2,400	3412.04

\$	Responses
0	1
1,000-1,999	10
2,000-2,999	9
3,000-3,999	5
4,000-4,999	3
6,000	1
7,250	1
19,500	1

Percentage of premium the employer pays for family coverage N=32

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	76.13	79.50	19.70

Responses
3
5
8
9
6
1

# Maximum out of pocket for family coverage N=30

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	18,000	3,041.94	2,400	3412.04

\$	Responses
0	1
2,000-2,999	4
3,000-3,999	5
4,000-4,999	4
5,000-5,999	2
6,000–6,999	2
7,000-7,999	2
8,000-8,999	4
9,000-9,999	2
>10,000	3
\$1,000/person	1

## **POS PROGRAM**

Point-of-Service (POS) program: A POS program is an "HMO/PPO" hybrid; POS programs resemble HMOs for in-network services. Services received outside of the network are usually reimbursed in a manner similar to conventional indemnity plans (e.g., provider reimbursement based on a fee schedule or usual, customary, and reasonable charges).

## 53. Are library staff offered a POS option? N=52

Yes	12	23%
No	40	77%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions.

If you answered No, please continue to the Medicare Fee-for-Service Program section of the survey.

A high deductible health plan (AKA consumer driven insurance) is a health plan with lower premiums and a higher deductible for major care, like hospitalization or surgery.

54. Is a high deductible version of the POS offered to library staff? N=10

Yes	2	20%
No	8	80%

55. Please provide the following information about the POS program. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. If an item is not applicable, please enter 0. N=10

Percentage of premium the employer pays for single coverage N=10

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
10	100	79.61	87	25.38

Percentage	Responses
<70	1
70–79	1
80–89	4
90–99	3
100	1

Maximum out of pocket for single coverage N=8

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	5,000	2,362.50	2,200	1551.90

\$	Responses
0	1
1,500	2
2,000	1
2,400	1
2,500	1
4,000	1
5,000	1

# Percentage of premium the employer pays for family coverage N=10

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
75	100	84.61	85	7.16

Percentage	Responses
70–79	2
80–89	6
90–99	1
100	1

# Maximum out of pocket for family coverage N=8

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	15,000	5,380	4,000	4536.93

\$	Responses
0	1
3,000	2
4,000	2
6,000	1
8,040	1
15,000	1

#### MEDICARE FEE-FOR-SERVICE PROGRAM

Medicare fee-for-service program: A Medicare Advantage Plan (Part C) plan offered through an insurance company to provide fee-based Medicare Part A and Part B benefits.

56. Are library staff offered a Medicare fee-for-service program? N=52

Yes	4	8%
No	48	92%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions.

If you answered No, please continue to the University/Institutional Health Plan section of the survey.

57. Please provide the following information about the Medicare fee-for-service program. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. If an item is not applicable, please enter 0. N=3

Percentage of premium the employer pays for single coverage N=3

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0, 0, 100%
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Maximum out of pocket for single coverage N=2

\$145.90, \$1,250

Percentage of premium the employer pays for family coverage N=2

0, 0

Maximum out of pocket for family coverage N=2

\$420.50, \$2,500

### **UNIVERSITY/INSTITUTIONAL HEALTH PLAN**

University/Institutional Health Plan: A plan where the employer provides health care coverage but the services are primarily obtained through the employer-operated health care facilities.

58. Are library staff offered a University/Institutional Health Plan? N=52

Yes	5	10%
No	47	90%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions.

If you answered No, please continue to the Other Health Plan section of the survey.

59. Please provide the following information about the University/Institutional Health Plan. If more than one plan is offered, please enter the percentage for the plan with the highest employer contribution. If an item is not applicable, please enter 0. N=4

Percentage of premium the employer pays for single coverage N=4

Maximum out of pocket for single coverage N=3

Percentage of premium the employer pays for family coverage N=4

Maximum out of pocket for family coverage N=3

## **OTHER HEALTH PLAN**

## 60. Are library staff offered any other type of health plan? N=52

**Yes** 15 29% **No** 37 71%

If you answered Yes, please answer the following questions.

If you answered No, please continue to the Benefits Orientation and Administration section of the survey.

#### 61. Please briefly describe the plan. N=15

100% coverage except for doctor and hospital admissions co-pays.

CDHP (Consumer Driven Health Plan) with an HSA. University contributes \$1,000 into the account for single coverage and \$2,000 for family. Employee may contribute additional pre-tax dollars.

Choice fund with health savings plan with \$1,300.00 individual deductible or \$2,600.00 family deductible.

Comprehensive Major Medical Plan.

Counseling & Support Services is now provided by Magellan Health Services. The new program, formerly the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), offers you and your family unlimited phone support and an increased number of in-person consultations—up to six (6) visits per issue for each family member at no cost. Counseling & Support Services also provides a wide range of additional family support benefits, including: Financial services; Personal consultation services; Stress management; Dependent care referrals for child and elder care; Adoption resources and services; Work/Life services.

EPO: requires individuals to go to specific listed providers to receive any benefit coverage.

Exclusive Provider Organization (EPO): An EPO is similar to a traditional HMO and provides the lowest-cost benefit because it uses contracted network physicians, hospitals, ancillary healthcare providers and facilities. You have access to any physician (including specialists) within your network without notifying the Plan Administrator.

Fee-for-service (\$3,000 annual deductible).

Health Savings Account (HSA) Option: members pay lower monthly premiums; preventative services are free; members may have lower out of pocket costs; members will often pay "co-insurance" rather than "co-pays."

High deductible HMO and PPO. These are coupled with an employer contributed HSA.

High deductible indemnity plan.

Maternity leave, parental leave; Employment Insurance maternity leave payments, unemployment benefits plan for the duration of the maternity leave, etc.

The university HDHP PPO & Medical Savings Plan. The plan combines comprehensive medical coverage, a taxadvantaged savings account, and Health Risk and Biometric Assessment features.

The plans offer lower employee contributions in exchange for a higher annual deductible, coinsurance, and out-of-pocket maximum. What sets the PCA High PPO and PCA Low PPO apart from your other health plan options is that each year you receive a lump sum allowance to spend as you choose on health care. Additionally, unused amounts roll to the next year and are added to new amounts placed in these accounts by the university for your healthcare needs. You can accrue up to three times the annual university contribution for the plan you select.

The university has 4 self-insured plans to choose from: University High Deductible Plan, University Low Deductible Plan, University HSA-Eligible Plan, University Co-pay Plan.

## 62. Please provide the following information about the plan. N=13

## Percentage of premium the employer pays for single coverage N=11

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	81.59	92.50	28.63

Percentage	Responses
<70	1
70–79	2
80–89	1
90–99	5
100	2

#### Maximum out of pocket for single coverage N=12

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	7,600	3,366.66	3,0000	2254.02

\$	Responses
0	2
2,000	1
2,500	1
3,000	3
3,300	1
5,000	2
6,000	1
7,600	1

Percentage of premium the employer pays for family coverage N=11

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	100	76.45	86	28.48

Percentage	Responses
<70	2
70–79	1
80–89	5
90–99	2
100	1

Maximum out of pocket for family coverage N=12

Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Std Dev
0	12,000	6,100	6,000	3665.56

Responses
2
1
1
3
1
1
2
1

## **BENEFITS ORIENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

63. Please briefly describe how your parent institution orients new employees and disseminates information to current employees regarding retirement and insurance benefits. N=51

All faculty and staff new hires attend a half-day university orientation program.

All new employees are scheduled to attend a mandatory orientation program that includes benefit enrollment. Educational seminars and individual retirement counseling is available to all employees. Seminars, health fairs, Web site information, and benefit staff counseling are all available to employees. Employees who are promoted or transferred are

sent information on an individual basis if there is a change in benefit eligibility.

All new employees receive a welcome packet before their first day on the job and then receive an invitation to a benefits orientation at our central Human Resources Office where they review benefits. Information regarding insurance benefits are contained in the employee's welcome packet that they receive before their first day on the job. They fill out paperwork and receive additional information at the benefits orientation session.

All new hires must attend university orientation sessions. All information is available on the University Benefits Web pages for new and current employees. There are informational sessions held by the university several times a year for people nearing retirement age.

All new staff members of both the university and medical center are expected to go to You Make a Difference Orientation as soon as possible after they begin their work at the university, preferably the first day. Benefits Orientation is additionally required for full-time, benefits-eligible staff. Human Resources conducts both orientation sessions. Benefits Orientation is required for full-time, benefits-eligible staff. Human Resources conducts this orientation session.

An initial benefits orientation for all new benefits-eligible employees which reviews the highlights of both retirement plan options. When managers/faculty have completed a six-month waiting period and are eligible to make a decision between the two plans, an additional workshop is offered, explaining the differences between the plans.

Benefit and pension package provided to all new employees eligible for plan. Review of material and application forms conducted by campus human resources staff.

Either in-person or group orientation sessions for new employees. Library Personnel Officer answers questions on a daily basis. Information can be obtained from Web site.

Employees attend benefits seminars and are provided opportunity to select coverages and programs.

Every new employee spends the first day of work at orientation where payroll, parking, and benefits are covered. In addition, representatives from TIAA-CREF and Fidelity are on campus regularly for meetings with individual employees who request it. Annual information sessions during the open enrollment period.

For new employees, this is done at the new hire orientation that the campus offers. For current staff members, typically there is an annual benefits fair and an annual mailing with the current benefits and changes. Also, staff may contact the main campus HR office to find out.

Library staff attend a new employee orientation with a Benefits Consultant.

Mailings are made to all eligible faculty and staff with information to enroll. Individual counselors from retirement vendors on campus to assist new and current enrollees. Mailings and online announcements on insurance benefits and annual enrollment.

Mandatory New Employee Orientation (full day) includes 2 hours of benefits information. Representatives from the two providers for the retirement plan are available for one-on-one consultations, on-site.

Mandatory new employee orientation and retirement plan workshop. Also mail materials and have information online. Mandatory new employee orientation and benefits enrollment workshop. Also have information online and in printed form (given out by department).

New Employee benefits packets are provided to all new employees. At least 2 orientation sessions are offered per month. (Online orientation is in the works.)

New employee orientation and HR Web site.

New Employee Orientation is scheduled for most Mondays which includes a session covering health (including dental, vision, prescription), life, disability, FSA, long-term care, vacation/sick leave, and retirement options.

New Employee Orientation session within 10 days of employment. E-mail, training sessions, one-on-one sessions.

New Employee Orientation Sessions; Semi-Annual Pre-retirement Information Sessions. Open Enrollment Information Sessions annually.

New Employee Orientation, Annual Benefits Open Enrollment sessions, Benefits Committees.

New employee orientation, C&T packet, handouts, Web site(s), counselors available.

New employee orientation, usually within two weeks of start date. Information to current employees is disseminated via e-mails and an online and print newsletter.

New employee orientation, Web site, mailings.

New employees are offered orientation sessions within the first 30 days of employment that include information regarding retirement benefits. Information is also available online. Information is disseminated to current employees via Web site and electronic memos sent to staff.

New employees attend a Benefits Orientation conducted by the university's Human Resources Office within the first 30 days of employee. They receive information on retirement and insurance, and complete registration forms.

New employees attend new hire orientation and learn about benefits. Web site provides access to extensive benefits information and estimating tools. Workshops conducted to help employees save for retirement.

New employees receive a standard orientation which includes an orientation to retirement and insurance benefits. A representative from the state system meets with employees as part of the orientation. Alternative retirement vendors are provided contact information for new employees and meet with them individually.

New employees: half-day benefits information session that is part of the campus' new employee orientation. Current employees: e-mail, in-library presentations, updated Web sites.

New orientation sessions offered once a month, annual open enrollment fairs, e-mails, additional informational/training sessions offered throughout the year, and one-on-one meetings with individuals.

Offers early and late retirement seminars. Orientation Meeting.

Once Human Resources is informed of a new hire, an orientation package is mailed to them with all the benefit and pension information along with the necessary forms that require completion to have the coverage begin. Documents are available on the Human Resources Web site regarding pension and retirement. Seminars are also run through out the year.

One-day, new hire orientation conducted by university central HR department.

One-on-one on-boarding. On-site retirement plan counseling with vendor representatives. Annual online open enrollment Web site and university online newsletter. Annual benefits and wellness fair. Posters and postcards.

Online new employee orientation program. Benefits overview sessions held twice a month. Retirement Manager online tool. Consultants from companies providing Defined Contribution Plans. University Financial Management & Education Center Consultants (human resources benefits specialists and managers). Benefits counselors. Benefits e-mail. Human Resources Employee Benefits Web pages.

Online orientation program.

Orientation for new hires; benefit presentation through campus at various times of the year; literature/manuals from providers sent out to employees.

Orientation is a one-day session for all new employees covering various topics. Retirement sessions are offered throughout the year as well as extensive information available online. New employees go to a Benefits Meeting within their first month.

Orientation package and seminars and bulletins.

Orientation sessions are offered to new hires which includes information on retirement. Employees receive a CD with all plan information available on the CD. In addition, a benefits Web site is available with benefit plan information. Complete information is disseminated on an annual basis during the annual enrollment period on a CD in addition to Web site information. Annual meetings are conducted if there have been major changes to benefit plans.

Regularly scheduled training and enrollment sessions. Materials are available through a Web site, employee newsletter, and new employee handbook.

Retirement planning meetings are suggested at the beginning of employment. Informational meetings are offered and individual meetings can be set up with Staff Benefits department. Employee receives packet of information about each benefits plan. Also, receives forms for enrollment. Written resources as well as online resources are provided.

Staff attend half-day orientation sponsored by the university HR office. University HR also sends a benefits-related quarterly newsletter.

Staff hand book and the Office of Human Resources conducts new employee orientations and on-boarding to relay this information.

The city offers an online orientation and has a Web site with information on benefits, A representative from the city's Retirement Board provides informational sessions, mailings are sent directly to employees, and employees may call or meet with Retirement Board representatives. Employees are required to go to the city's Group Health Benefits Office to meet with a Group Benefits expert in order to learn about and enroll in a health insurance plan.

There are regular retirement workshops offered to both librarians and support staff. Each new employee attends a Benefits orientation. Information to current employees is disseminated through listservs and is posted on the university Web site.

Through institutional orientation program; half-day session including information packets and a presentation. University HR staff are available for individual consultation.

Through online new employee orientation. Employees are advised to meet individually with retirement provider representatives.

Via tools located on the Human Resources Web site as well as sessions provided by Pension Plan Administrators.

Web site info; individual annual report; annual report; Course: "preparation to retirement." Information tool kit given during first hiring meeting.

Welcome letter sent to new employees asking them to attend a New Employee Benefit Orientation. For ORP, they get a packet of information after one year of employment. For ongoing employees, each year on-campus forums are given regarding the available insurance plans being offered for the next fiscal year.

# 64. Please briefly describe how the library orients new employees and disseminates information to current employees regarding retirement and insurance benefits. N=47

All information about benefits and retirement comes from the parent Faculty & Staff Benefits department. Library does not orient new employees to benefits. This is done by Human Resources.

Benefits direction is given by the library HR office.

Benefits Orientation is required for full-time, benefits-eligible staff. Human Resources conducts this orientation session.

Either in-person or group orientation sessions for new employees. Library Personnel Officer answers questions on a daily basis. Information can be obtained from Web site. Retirement program vendors hold on-campus information sessions.

E-mail, training sessions, one-on-one session.

Employee orientation & HR Web site.

Employees are directed to Employee Benefits if they have specific questions after attending the university's orientation program.

Employees referred to the benefits office; individual counseling given/available with library HR manager; Presentations are periodically scheduled and individual 1-on-1 consultations are encouraged.

I enroll them in two all-campus orientation sessions prior to their start date. On their first day, I meet with them and give them the information for the orientation sessions and provide them with the links to the retirement and insurance benefit information.

Individual meetings prior to contract signature. Otherwise, human resources management responsibility.

Initial new hire meeting with libraries HR department includes benefits orientation and arranging for new employee to attend university orientation.

Libraries Human Resource Director communicates options on the first day of employment. Provides resources to how to find forms, information, and who to contact in parent Human Resource office. Libraries communicates to Parent Institution of the new hire. Insurance packet is then campus mailed to new employee. Libraries Human Resource Director offers time to walk through application with new hire.

Libraries new employee orientation program. Advise employees to attend benefits overview sessions, check out Retirement Manager tool and/or make appointments to meet with FMEC Consultants; review the employee benefits Web pages, send questions to Benefits e-mail or make appointment with benefits counselor.

Library briefing points new employees to the parent institution online orientation program.

For retirement, library HR staff answer routine questions and provide information on who to contact in the central Human Resources Department. For insurance, library role is similar to their role regarding retirement benefits, answer basic questions and direct to central HR.

Library orientation is catered toward the specific position/department. Library employees receive retirement information centrally through the university Benefits Office. Library makes sure employees know about Benefits Meetings on campus.

New employees attend a Benefits Orientation conducted by the university's Human Resources Office within the first 30 days of employee. They receive information on retirement and insurance and complete registration forms.

On the first day of employment when the person "signs up" in library personnel, the assistant orients the new employee. This is followed by enrollment in the monthly campus benefits orientation session for new employees.

One-on-one orientation with each new employee, which covers benefits. Forward any pertinent information issued by university HR office.

One-on-one overview during recruiting/interviewing process; handouts.

Orientation is part of new hire sign-in process during first day of employment. Information to current employees is disseminated via e-mails.

Orientation package and seminars and bulletins.

Our Web pages link to the university's pages. We describe benefits during recruitment and schedule new hires for enrollment sessions and one-on-one counseling. Our office follows up on issues, questions, and concerns raised by employees and managers.

Periodically, the libraries' administration arranges for representatives from TIAA-CREF and Fidelity to be on-site for individual meetings for library employees only. Insurance benefits discussed briefly with library faculty during job interviews and for all employees on an as needed basis.

Provides brief orientation and printed materials during interview process and upon hire.

Provides information regarding programs offered by the university.

Refer to HR.

Retiree information is received through annual (one or two a year) on-campus workshops/info meetings which are announced through e-mails that go out to all campus employees. The Libraries doesn't do any orientation for insurance benefits; that is done by the campus.

Scheduled orientation meetings. Annual open season fairs.

Staff hand book and the Office of Human Resources conducts new employee orientations and on-boarding to relay this information.

The library provides a benefits summary statement to candidates as part of the on-campus interview packet.

The library relies on Human Resources.

The libraries require new employees to attend a New Employee Orientation session within the first 30 days of employment which includes information regarding retirement benefits. New employees are also provided with offer letters that include retirement benefits information.

There is a brief benefits orientation held during faculty campus interviews and another when the new employee starts. Then we refer them to campus Benefits (same as above).

This is done through Library Human Resources.

Through one-on-one meetings with library human resources during first week of employment.

University HR Web site and individual consultation with university HR or 403(b) vendor depending on plan.

Upon hire, employees are given an orientation that covers benefits and workplace rules & requirements. All eligible

library employees must sign an acknowledgment form upon hire that explains that they are required to go to the city's Group Health Benefits Office to meet with a benefits expert in order to learn about and enroll in health insurance.

Upon initial hire, HR specialist meets with employee to explain benefits. Employees are encouraged to attend information sessions provided semi-annually.

We in the library only answer simple questions regarding retirement other wise we refer them to the main campus HR.

We refer all new employees to our main Human Resources Office.

We refer staff to the university's retirement workshops. We refer staff to the benefits orientation and to the info posted on the university Web site.

We rely on central HR and vendors to inform employees of options.

65. Please briefly describe the library's role (separate from the parent institution's role) in administering retirement benefits and insurance plans. For example, processing enrollment changes, resolving coverage issues, monitoring payroll deductions, facilitating open enrollment, etc. N=47

Assists employees to enroll and update personal information, including designation of beneficiary relating to retirement and insurance benefits.

Direction is given by the Library HR office for staff considering retirement.

Library does not administer retirement benefits, only done by parent institution. Individuals who address questions to Library Personnel will get direct help with resolution (questions about payroll reductions) if the question is something Library Personnel can answer or do. Otherwise, depending on the question either Library Personnel will call a campus entity for an answer or direct the library employee to the correct campus entity for assistance. Items like processing changes are being done online directly by the employee as the functionality of electronic systems are enhanced.

Library does not administer retirement benefits or insurance plans. All processing, enrollment, coverage, deductions, annual enrollment are done by the parent Faculty & Staff benefits department.

Library does not play a role.

Library HR has the employee fill out an enrollment form upon hire and provides salary, employment, and leave of absence information to the city's Retirement Board upon request. The library notifies employee's of open enrollment dates, plans and benefits offered, and plan costs. The library also hosts an informational session given by a city Group Health Benefits representative. Library employees must work directly with the city's Group Benefits Office.

No role. (22 responses)

No role beyond answering employee questions and directing them to appropriate resources. Disseminate information, direct employees to appropriate central HR resources.

No role other than to point employees in the direction they need to go to get information or answers to questions. Library's human resources department assists employees in resolving any issues with insurance plans, answers questions, provides forms, and assists employees with online enrollment problems.

None, other than supplying information.

None; refer to campus Human Resources/Benefits department.

None. We refer them to campus Benefits and Payroll.

One-on-one consultation and problem solving in Libraries Human Resources Office.

Process enrollment changes, provide reminders via e-mail about actions possible during open enrollment and the enrollment deadline, answer questions, act as liaison with campus HR.

Refer the employee to the university's retirement office. We enter necessary payroll actions. We work to resolve coverage issues, monitor payroll deductions, advertise and respond to questions on open enrollment, and counsel employees who experience life changes.

Remind employees of enrollment deadlines.

Sponsors presentation by university HR during open enrollment; will assist with university HR liaison on specific issues if employee has been unable to independently resolve.

The Libraries does not administer retirement benefits or insurance plans. That is done through the central benefits office.

The Libraries Human Resources office refers employees to Central Human Resources for insurance related issues. Library HR ensures all employees make elections during positive open enrollment periods.

The Library Administrative Services office provides assistance to library staff with completing the retirement and insurance benefits paperwork. All paperwork is then sent to the university's Human Resource department.

The library does not administer retirement benefits; that is done through the university's Human Resources office. The library is there for referral information or coordination with that office. The library's Human Resource office processes the retirement personnel action paper work to initiate the employee's retirement date to begin benefits. The library's Human Resource office process's the personnel action paper work to initiate the employee's hire date to begin benefits, to terminate employment, to stop benefits. They are there for information purposes only to direct an employee to university Human Resources for enrollment change information or to Web site. Open enrollment is conducted by the State of Texas in the summer of each year and is coordinated through the main Human Resource office; the library will dissimilate the information to it's staff via an e-mail.

The library has no role in administering retirement benefits. If there is a change in employment status, the library would complete an employee transaction form and send it to Human Resources for processing. Employees contact Human Resources directly if there are benefit or pension issues, questions, etc.

The library is not involved in any aspect.

The Library plays NO role in administering retirement benefits or insurance plans.

The university HR office is the sole administrator. The library HR staff can answer basic questions and point to resources, but that is the extent of our involvement.

Traditionally all questions are directed to parent Institution. Forms for establishing benefits and making changes are available in Libraries Human Resource office or found online. Libraries will assist as a liaison between staff and parent Human Resource Office. If problem can not be resolved, staff are asked to contact parent Human Resource Office. Open enrollment is processed solely by parent Human Resource office.

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

66. Please enter any additional information that may assist the author's understanding of the types of core benefits offered to library staff at your institution. N=14

Background: applies to employees appointed for a period of 12 months or longer.

Because benefits for staff and faculty are quite different, we have provided answers that apply to Libraries' faculty benefits. While we don't have our HSAs, the employee has to open those him/herself, we do offer an HSA-qualified high deductible health plan (HDHP).

Benefits are negotiated through the collective bargaining process. There is one pension plan for all employees so this is not negotiated through the collective bargaining process.

Canada has a government run health care plan that provides universal coverage for all Canadians. The university provides benefits that supplement the government health care plan, i.e., the difference between a semi-private hospital room and a standard ward room.

Employee medical plan premiums are based on 4 annual salary bands (based on full-time salary rate), and the percent of employer contribution to the premiums decreases as annual salaries increase. The 4 salary bands are: \$46,000 or Less; \$46,001-\$92,000; \$92,000-\$137,000; Greater Than \$137,000.

Employees may participate in a voluntary wellness program and get a \$40 a month reduction in health insurance premiums. The program involves filling out a survey about individual health risk factors and agreeing to occasional phone calls if any health improvement goals are identified. The university offers free tuition to dependents for a first undergraduate degree and up to 6 credit hours/semester for employees. Employees ride free on city buses by showing university ID. Employees may apply for interest free loans for computer hardware and software. Employees get free membership at local art museum.

Employees who work between 20 and 29 hours per week are eligible for health insurance, but the employee must pay the employer's premium portion. When an employee begins work, he/she may choose for health, life, and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to begin either the first of the month following the employee's start date or the first of the month after that. This means that the employee could be covered on his/her second day of work if he/ she starts work on the last day of the month. For the PPO program, the maximum out-of-pocket expenses for out-of-network care is \$19,500.

PPO out of pocket expenses single and family coverage include deductibles. If not, then 1,000.

The library has staff that are non-bargaining, as well as staff represented by three other union contracts. This survey describes the non-bargaining benefits which, in some cases, vary significantly from the union negotiated benefits.

When viewing the university Benefits Web pages it is important to know that there are three categories of staff: academic staff, support staff, and a group of senior administrative staff called Management and Professional staff.

## **RESPONDING INSTITUTIONS**

University at Albany, SUNY
University of Alberta
University of Arizona
University of Arizona
Université de Montréal

Arizona State University University University of Nebraska—Lincoln

Boston Public Library University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Brigham Young University
University of British Columbia

North Carolina State University
Northwestern University

University at Buffalo, SUNY Ohio University

University of Calgary
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Riverside
University of Pennsylvania

University of California, Riverside
University of Colorado at Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Connecticut
University of Connecticut
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University of Delaware

Duke University

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Smithsonian Institution

Syracuse University

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Temple University

University of Hawaii at Manoa University of Texas at Austin

University of Houston Texas Tech University
Indiana University Bloomington University of Toronto

Iowa State University
University of Kentucky

Vanderbilt University
Virginia Tech

University of Louisville Washington State University
University of Manitoba University of Waterloo

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

University of Wisconsin—Madison

University of Michigan Yale University
Michigan State University York University



# REPRESENTATIVE DOCUMENTS

# **Benefits Overview**

**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**Faculty: Librarian: FSO: APO Continuing appointments Academic Staff -

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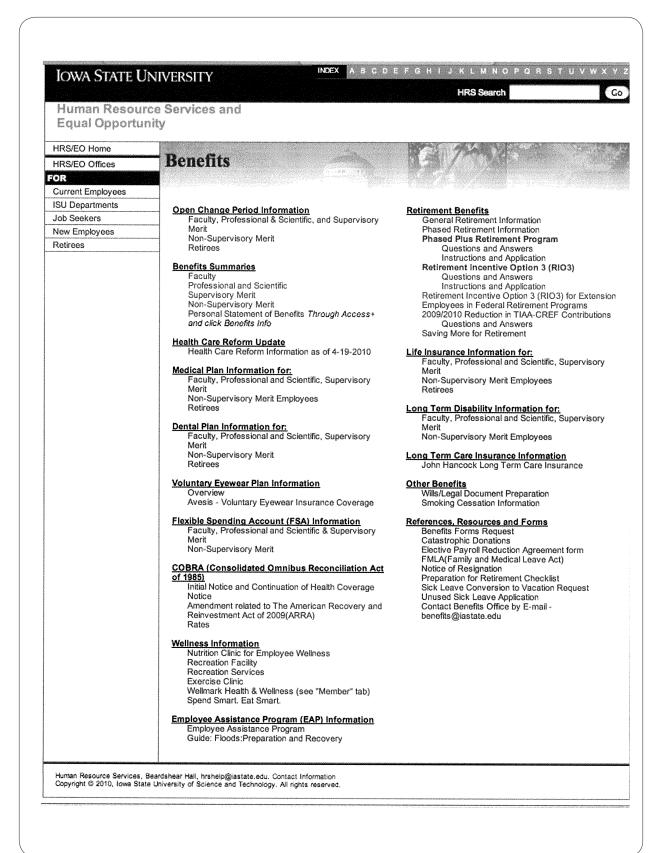
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Alberta Health Care	Basic health services such as doctors and hospitals	1st of the month following date of appointment. If arriving from another province – 3 months from date of arrival in Alberta. If arriving from out of country date of arrival.	Expenses are billed directly to the plan
Supplementary Health Care		Date of appointment	Drugs are billed directly to the Plan Generally, other expenses paid by the claimant are submitted to carrier for reimbursement
Dental Care	100% Diagnostic and preventive, 75% restorative and 75% orthodontics services	Date of appointment	Generally, eligible expenses are billed directly to the plan Any residue is the responsibility of the claimant
Employee and Family Assistance (EFAP)	Comprehensive psychological counseling, wellness and work life services (eg legal and financial consultations)	Date of appointment	Human Solutions is the service provider for the University
Health Spending Account	Reimbursement of additional health and dental expenses not eligible under the entityles a other henelts plans Annual credit allocation of \$500 per calendar/year per eligible staff member. Credit carry-forward for one year	Date of appointment	See information at: http://www.rsualberfata.a/Benefits/indexaspx/Page=353
Long Term Disability	Loss of income in the event of a long-term disability Benefit is 70% of salary (to a specified maximum of \$15,877/mth) and is taxable	Date of appointment Application for benefits occurs after 28 weeks medical leave Coverage ceases June 30th following 65th birthday	The University's Health Recovery Support unit Initiates the claim process
Life insurance Basic	Provides a lump sum to the designated beneficiary(ies) in the event of death \$60,000 flat coverage amount	Date of appointment	The University would initiate and submit the claim on behalf of the survivors
Optional Life	Additional life insurance can be purchased in units of \$10,000 up to \$300,000	Date of appointment - Employee Paid Chefores of Insurability required for amounts over \$180,000 or if late applicant Application required	The University would initiate and submit the claim on behalf of the survivors
Optional Dependent Life	Spouse: \$12,000 Each Dependent Child: \$3,600	Date of appointment – Employee Paid Evidence of Insurability required if late applicant Application required	The University would assist the staff member in the claim process
Critical lilness	\$10,000 lump sum benefit paid to the employee in the event of diagnosis of a covered disease	Date of appointment	The University would assist the staff member in the claim process
Critical Illness Voluntary	Additional critical illness insurance can be purchased in increments of \$25,000 a maximum of \$25,000 Lump sum benefit paid to the employee in the event of diagnosis of a covered disease	Date of appointment – Employee Paid Scheme of Insurability required for amounts over \$25,000 or if late applicant. Application required	The University would initiate and submit the claim on behalf of the survivors
Spousal Critical Illness	Spousal critical illness insurance can be purchased in furcements of \$25,000 to a maximum of \$250,000 to Lump sum benefit paid to the employee in the event the spouse is diagnosed with a covered disease	Date of appointment – Employee Paid Evidence of Insurability required	The University would initiate and submit the claim on behalf of the survivors
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	Additional insurance in the event of accidental death or a permanent dismemberment	Date of appointment- Employee Paid Application required	NA
Pension Plan	Provides retirement and survivor income replacement	Date of appointment	NA

# UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

# Benefits at a Glance

http://www.hrs.ualberta.ca/Benefits/Glance/AOC.pdf

How to Claim	Expense claims are submitted to the Travel Section, Supply Management Services	Medical Certificate required	Departmental procedures apply	See information at: http://www.hrs.ualberta.ca/Benefits/Academic/TimeOff.aspx	Medical certificate and proof of Employment insurance payment	Proof of Employment Insurance payments		Academic Remission of Tuiton Fees form is submitted to Financial Services	See information at: http://www.hsualbertaca/Benefits/indexaspx/Paga=307 or form at: http://www.rsualbertaca/Forms/forms/Academic-Child_Care_Benefitdoo		
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Amount	Faculty/FSO/Librarians: \$1,400 per annum APOs: \$1,400 per annum	100% of salary	22 working days per annum	5 days. Personal Leave levy of 2.55% to be applied from July 2010 to March 2011	95% of salary "top up" on Employment Insurance payments	95% of salary "top up" on Employment Insurance payments	N/A	Equivalent of 4 single term Arts courses per year (\$1,814 in 2006-2007)	50% reimbursement of expenses up to a maximum of \$2,000 per calendar year per eligible child		
Eligibility	Date of appointment	Date of appointment	Earned from date of appointment	Upon employee request	Date of appointment  Must be eligible for Employment Insurance matemity benefits	Date of appointment  Must be eligible for Employment Insurance maternity benefits	Date of appointment	Date of appointment	Date of appointment	00	
Covers	Funds provided for the reimbursement of professional expenses incurred by staff member	Covers illness or injury to a maximum of 26 weeks		Voluntary unpaid leave days under a special program	Up to 15 weeks	Up to 10 weeks	Fitness, swimming, squash, racquetball, etc	Credit courses	Funds provided for the reimbursement of child care expenses incurred by staff member	Note: All references to per annum are for the academic year July 1 – June 30	
Benefit	Professional Expense	Medical Leave	Vacation Leave	Personal Leave Days	Maternity Leave	Parental Leave	Physical Education, Recreation facilities	Remission of Tultion	Child Care Benefit	ote: All references to	April 2010



# **UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA**

Employee Benefits Full-time Staff

http://umanitoba.ca/admin/human\_resources/staff\_benefits/pdf/summary-ft-2010.pdf

Monthly Cost	Paid 100% by University.     \$0.18/\$1,000     of coverage.	• Paid 100% by employee:  Age Per \$1,000 < 35 \$0.021 35 - 44 0.030 45 - 54 0.157 55 - 64 0.466 65 - 69 1.623 70 - 74 2.705 75 - 79 4.525 80 - 84 7.623	• Paid 100% by employee.	Paid 100% by University     \$0.027/\$1,000 of coverage.
Coverage at Termination, Retirement or Death	Coverage ceases at termination of employment or retirement.     Member may have the option of converting existing coverage to an individual life insurance policy, within 31 days of termination. Certain restrictions may apply.     Retired staff who have been a member of the group insurance plan for at least 10 years and who are at least 55 years of age have the option to continue their Basic Life Insurance coverage to age 71.	Coverage ceases at the earlier of termination of employment, retirement, or age 85.      Member may have the option of converting existing coverage to an individual life insurance policy, within 31 days of termination. Certain restrictions may apply.      Retired staff who have been a member of the group insurance plan for at least 10 years and who are at least 55 years of age have the option to continue their Optional Life Insurance coverage to age 71.  Not applicable to Spousal Optional Life Insurance.	Coverage ceases at termination of employment, retirement, or when dependent is no longer eligible.      Member may have the option of converting existing spousal coverage to an individual fire insurance policy, within 3.1 days of termination. Certain restrictions may apply.      No conversion privilege is available for insurance on dependent children.	Coverage ceases at termination of employment or retirement.
Coverage if Disabled	Coverage continues at no cost to the staff member, staff member, while receiving Long Term Disability benefits.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.
Coverage	Insurance coverage is equal to member's basic annual salary.     Benefit is payable in the event of the member's death.	<ul> <li>Member may apply for up to 40 units of coverage for themselves, and/or their spouse.</li> <li>The unit value is \$10,000.</li> <li>Benefit is payable in the event of death.</li> </ul>	Member may apply for up to 5 units of coverage.     Each unit: spouse - \$3,000 and each child - \$1,500.     Benefit is payable in the event of the death of the insured dependent.	Coverage amount is \$20,000.     Benefit may be payable in the event of the member's accidental death or injury.
Eligibility	All full-time academic and support staff appointed for one year or longer, will participate starting on date of employment.	Participation is optional.	Participation is optional.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.
	Basic Life Insurance	Optional Life Insurance & Spousal Optional Life	Optional Dependent Life Insurance	Basic AD&D Insurance

# **UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA**

# Employee Benefits Full-time Staff

http://umanitoba.ca/admin/human\_resources/staff\_benefits/pdf/summary-ft-2010.pdf

Monthly Cost	Paid 100% by employee.     \$0.037/\$1,000 of coverage.	• Paid 50% by University and 50% by employee. • \$2.24/\$100 of earnings.	Paid 50% by     University and 50% by employee     Single - \$25.48     Couple - \$50.52     Farrilly - \$90.04     HCSA – paid     100% by University,	• Paid 100% by University. • Single - \$24.20 Couple - \$48.96 Family - \$87.20
Coverage at Termination, Retirement or Death	Coverage ceases at termination of employment or retirement.	Coverage ceases on the earlier of date of termination, retirement, death or 6 months prior to normal retirement date.	Coverage ceases on termination of employment or retirement.      Retired staff who have been a member of the group insurance plan for at least 10 years and are at least 55 years of age, may have the option of participating in the Retiree Health Plan.	Coverage ceases on termination of employment or retirement.     Retired staff who have been a member of the group insurance plan for at least 10 years and are at least 55 years of age, may have the option of participating in the Retiree Dental Plan.
Coverage if Disabled	Same as Basic Life Insurance.	Premiums cease while receiving Long Term Disability benefits.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.
Coverage	Member may apply for up to 12 units of coverage.     Each unit - \$20,000 (maximum coverage amount - \$240,000).     Eligible dependents are automatically covered for a percentage of the coverage elected.	Monthly benefit - 60% of monthly earnings.     Benefits commence after 180 days     of total disability.	Prescription drugs – deductible \$50/employee plus \$50/all dependents combined, 80% reimbursement, maximum annual benefit of the lesser of \$2,000 and the Pharmacare deductible.  Medical coverage – reimbursement 80% of first \$500, 100% thereafter, various maximums apply.  Hospital and Ambulance – 100% reimbursement, semi-private accommodation.  Overall lifetime maximum of \$100,000.  Global Medical Assistance – in the event of medical emergency, fils benefit provides assistance in obtaining medical care when the member is travelling. Certain limitations apply.  Healthcare Spending Account (HCSA) – member receives \$500/year (April 1 – March 31), can be used to cover expenses not covered by group health or Pharmacare plans.	<ul> <li>Basic dental services – 80% reimbursement.</li> <li>Major dental services – 60% reimbursement.</li> <li>Orthodontic dental services – 50% reimbursement.</li> <li>Orthodontic services are covered only for eligible dependent children up to age 19, provided treatment begins prior to age 18.</li> <li>Benefits are limited to an overall maximum of \$1,500/person/year.</li> <li>Orthodontic benefits are limited to \$2,000/child/lifetime.</li> </ul>
Eligibility	Participation is optional.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.	Same as Basic Life Insurance.
	Voluntary AD&D Insurance	Long Term Disability Insurance	Supplementary Health	Dental

# **UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA**

# Employee Benefits Full-time Staff

http://umanitoba.ca/admin/human\_resources/staff\_benefits/pdf/summary-ft-2010.pdf

Monthly Cost	The staff member contributes at a ra of 7% of salary less an adjustmen for CPP.  The University matches these contributions.	
Benefits at Termination or Death	On termination of employment, the member is entitled to the current staff member's account balance (both member and University contributions). The member may choose to transfer this benefit to a Locked-In Retirement Account or to another registered pension plan, providing that plan allows for such a transfer or to use this amount to purchase a life annuity.  In the event of death prior to retirement, the member's beneficiary shall be entitled to the current accumulated value of the member's account (both member and University contributions).	tual benefit provisions are contained in the Master Contracts by of Manitoba retains the right to modify, reduce, or terminate vall. The benefits and rates shown in this document are effective
Coverage if Disabled	Contributions continue are continue are to the staff member, while receiving Long Term Disability benefits.	clusions may apply. The act of Governors. The University s, not this brochure, will pres
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Eligibility	Full-time employees are eligible to join the plan commencing on date of employment.     Full-time employees must join the pension plan within 30 days after completing 2 years of employment.	This brochure is a surrmany of the group i and plan documents issued by the insure benefits at any time. In the event of any v
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# Benefits

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Staff / House Staff

#### **HR Benefits Administration:**

#### **Mailing Address**

PMB #357700 2301 Vanderbilt Place Nashville, TN 37235-7700

#### Forms Drop-off Location

HR Express 2525 West End Avenue, second floor Nashville, TN 37203

#### **Web Address**

http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/benefits

#### HR Customer Service, Payroll, Records:

#### **Mailing Address**

PMB # 357718 2301 Vanderbilt Place Nashville, TN 37235-7718

#### **HR Customer Service Phone Number**

615.322.8330

#### Web Address

http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/toolbox

This summary of Vanderbilt's benefits program will help you complete the Benefits Enrollment Form.

# Submit your Benefits Enrollment Form within your deadline:

Salaried Employees: within 30 days of hire date
Hourly-paid Employees: within 60 days of hire date

Visit the benefits pages of the Human Resources Web site or stop by HR Express for more information and Summary Plan Descriptions.

Once you make your elections on your enrollment form, those elections will stay in effect for the plan year (January 1—December 31), unless you experience an event that qualifies for a family status change (see page 11).

NOTE: This document is intended to provide information about your benefit options. It is not meant to replace the Summary Plan Descriptions, which are the governing documents for Vanderbilt benefits. Summary Plan Descriptions are available at HR Express (2525 West End Avenue, second floor) and online (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms). Offerings and plans are subject to change. Prices are valid for the 2010 plan year.



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#### **Core Benefits:**

Core benefits are those for which Vanderbilt supports participation by sharing the cost.

- · Health Plan
- · Long-term Disability
- · Life Insurance
- · 403(b) Retirement Plan

## **Voluntary Benefits:**

You can choose to enroll in the voluntary benefits as they suit your needs. You pay the full cost of voluntary benefits.

- Dental Insurance
- · Vision Plan
- · Accidental Death & Dismemberment
- · Flexible Spending Accounts
- · Short-term Disability
- · Discount Programs: Group Auto & Home, Long-term Care, and Pet insurance

#### **Health Plan**

#### **Core Benefit**

For details on the Health Plan, please see pages 8–10.

#### Eligibility:

- You
- Your spouse/certified domestic partner (see certification info on page 7)
- Your children up to age 25, so long as they meet criteria (see page 7)

#### Benefit start date:

- Hourly-paid: first of the month after 60 days of employment
- · Salaried: on hire date

#### Enroll by ...

completing your Benefits Enrollment Form within your deadline

#### Can change elections ...

only during Open Enrollment, unless you experience a qualifying event (see page 11)

Vanderbilt offers you and your eligible dependents (see page 7 for eligibility rules) the following health plan options:

- Standard
- Advantage P
- HealthFund

The Health Plan benefits are administered by Aetna or BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, depending on which health option you choose.

# Long-term Disability

#### **Core Benefit**

#### Eligibility:

You

#### Benefit start date:

- Hourly-paid and salaried staff: first of the month after one-year anniversary
- · House staff: upon hire date

#### Enroll by ...

no enrollment necessary, unless you want and are eligible to waive the one-year wait

#### Can change elections ...

nothing to change unless you want to waive the Full Long-term Disability benefit, which can be done anytime after your eligibility date Long-term Disability (LTD) replaces 60% of your income if you become totally disabled and cannot work for more than six months. Initially, a total disability is one that prevents you from working at your own occupation. LTD benefits include monthly contributions to your retirement account.

Automatic enrollment in the LTD plan occurs after one year. You can waive the one-year wait if you had group LTD coverage within three months prior to coming to work at Vanderbilt. Complete the Long-term Disability Certification of Prior Coverage to waive the one-year wait within 90 days of your hire date.

Vanderbilt pays for LTD insurance covering the first \$24,000 of your annual base salary. You pay for the coverage above \$24,000. To calculate your monthly cost, multiply the amount of your salary above \$24,000 by .443% and divide by 12.

The Long-term Disability benefit is administered by The Hartford.

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#### Life Insurance

Basic Life: Core Benefit

Supplemental Life: **Voluntary Benefit** 

#### Eligibility:

- You
- Your spouse/certified domestic partner (see certification info on page 7)
- Your children up to age 19, or age 23 if full-time student

#### Benefit start date:

- Hourly-paid: 90 days after hire date
- · Salaried: on hire date

**Enroll in Supplemental Life by ...** completing your Benefits Enrollment Form within your deadline

Can change elections ... anytime, but adding coverage after your form deadline will require a MetLife Statement of Health Form Vanderbilt provides a Basic Life Insurance policy in an amount equal to your annual base salary. A Life Insurance policy for your spouse is \$5,000 and each eligible child is \$2,500.

You may choose Supplemental Life Insurance in amounts of either 1, 2, or 3 times your annual base salary (Basic and Supplemental Life have a combined overall maximum of \$1,000,000). For any level of Supplemental Life coverage, you pay the premium, which is based on your age and salary (see below). If you elect Supplemental Life coverage on your Benefits Enrollment Form, there is no medical review required (unless the combined benefit amount exceeds \$500,000). If your benefit does exceed \$500,000, or if you wait to elect Supplemental Life insurance at a later time, you will need to complete the MetLife Statement of Health Form which can be found on the HR Web site (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms).

The Life Insurance benefit is administered by MetLife.

# 403(b) Retirement Plan

#### **Core Benefit**

Eligibility for matching contributions, first of month after one-year anniversary:

- Mandatory match = 3 percent
- Basic match = 2 percent

#### Enroll by ...

completing the Retirement Plan Election Form and investment company application. Failure to complete the election form by your eligibility date will enroll you in a Fidelity Investments Freedom Fund for the Mandatory contribution only

Can change elections ... once a calendar quarter

NOTE: Even though Vanderbilt matching dollars do not begin until your one-year anniversary, you may begin investing anytime at the Supplemental level. The Vanderbilt University Retirement Plan is optional for new staff and is mandatory for eligible staff upon your one-year anniversary. (Note: if you are covered by a collective bargaining unit, other plan terms may apply.)

Full-time staff and house staff will be automatically enrolled upon your one-year anniversary.

Part-time staff whose FTE is .5 or greater will be automatically enrolled when you meet these eligibility criteria:

1) one year of service and 2) 1,000 hours of service.

There are three contribution levels:

- 1. Mandatory: 3 percent automatic at one-year anniversary. Vanderbilt will match this 3% dollar-for-dollar.
- 2. Basic: 2 percent—available at one-year anniversary. Vanderbilt will match this 2% dollar-for-dollar.
- 3. Supplemental: percent up to IRS limits available immediately. These voluntary contributions are not matched by Vanderbilt. The total of Basic and Supplemental contributions cannot exceed IRS limits. The maximum voluntary contribution in 2010 is \$16,500 for those under 50 years old, and \$22,000 for those 50 and older.

There are four investment companies from which to choose — TIAA-CREF, Vanguard, VALIC, and Fidelity. The Vanderbilt University Retirement Plan is an Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b) plan.

To begin your retirement investments in the Vanderbilt University Retirement Plan, complete the Retirement Plan Election Form (Salary Reduction Agreement) and the retirement company(ies) application(s) to open your account and choose investment funds. You may pick up these applications at benefits orientation, at HR Express, or on the HR Web site (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms). Elections made on the Retirement Plan Election Form are effective the first of the month following approval by the Benefits Office.

#### **Retirement Consultation Sessions**

Each of our four retirement vendors (TIAA-CREF, Vanguard, VALIC, and Fidelity) offer free one-on-one retirement consultations. You can meet with one or all company representatives to learn about their investment products, discuss how much money you may need at retirement, review your current investments, learn how to initiate a rollover, or discuss investment strategies.

Visit the retirement page of the HR Web site (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/benefits/retirementplan.htm ) to view the on-campus schedule and to find contact information to make an appointment with the company's representatives.

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## Dental Insurance

#### Voluntary Benefit

Two optional plans administered by CIGNA Dental. For more details see the plans' summary sheets available on the HR Web site

(http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms) or at HR Express

#### Eligibility:

- You
- Your spouse/certified domestic partner (see certification info on page 7)
- Your children up to age 25, so long as they meet criteria (see page 7)

#### Benefit start date:

- Hourly-paid: first of the month after 60 days
- · Salaried: on hire date

#### Enroll by ...

completing your Benefits Enrollment Form within your deadline

#### Can change elections ...

only during Open Enrollment, unless you experience a qualifying event (see page 11)

#### **CIGNA Dental Care DHMO**

The Dental Care DHMO plan offers cost savings for a wide range of services. Find a CIGNA DHMO-network dentist online at www.cigna.com. If you do not indicate a Dental Facility Number on your Benefits Enrollment Form, a CIGNA DHMO-network dentist will be assigned to you. If you wish to change your dentist, call CIGNA at 800.642.5810.

#### CIGNA Dental Care DHMO coverage includes:

- Preventive care (cleanings, x-rays)
- · Basic care (fillings, basic restorative work)
- Major services (bridges, crowns, root canals, orthodontia)

#### Key Features of the CIGNA Dental Care Plan:

- No waiting periods, no deductibles, no annual maximum limit, no claim forms
- · You MUST see a CIGNA Dental Care DHMO dentist to receive any benefit

#### **CIGNA Dental PPO**

The CIGNA PPO plan offers dental coverage for three classes of expenses, not to exceed a maximum annual benefit of \$1,500 for each enrolled individual. There is a waiting period for orthodontia. Coverage is available with any dentist, but in-network providers hold you harmless against charges above the usual and customary.

#### Class I services covered at 100%:

Preventative care for routine oral exams, cleaning, x-rays, sealants and fluoride treatments

Class II services covered at 80% after annual deductible of \$50 per enrolled individual: Services for treatments such as full mouth x-rays, fillings, oral surgery (simple extractions)

Class III and IV services covered at 50% after annual deductible of \$50 per enrolled individual: Class III: services for major care (bridgework, dentures, and crowns) and Class IV: orthodontia for children under 19

# Vision Insurance

#### **Voluntary Benefit**

#### Eligibility:

- You
- Your spouse/certified domestic partner (see certification info on page 7)
- Your children up to age 19, or age 23, if full-time student

#### Benefit start date:

- Hourly-paid: first of the month after 60 days
- · Salaried: on hire date

#### Enroll by ...

completing your Benefits Enrollment Form within your deadline

#### Can change elections ...

only during Open Enrollment, unless you experience a qualifying event (see page 11) The optional VSP Vision plan offers the following in-network coverage for corrective lenses:

- Eye Exam: \$15 deductible (exam for eyeglasses or contact lenses, not both) once every 12 months
- Eyeglasses\*: \$15 deductible
  - > Eyeglass Lenses once every 12 months (Some limitations apply. Progressive lenses, coatings and other options cost extra.)
  - > Eyeglass Frames once every 24 months up to \$120 limit\*\*
- Contact Lenses\*: once every 12 months up to \$120\*\*

To find a VSP network provider, go to www.vsp.com.

The Vision plan is administered by VSP Ameritas. VSP does not issue an ID card. Your vision care provider will confirm coverage by contacting VSP at the time of your visit. For more details see the VSP Brochure available on the HR Web site (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms) or at HR Express.

- \* Frames and contacts are not covered in the same 12-month period.
- \*\* Amounts over limits and optional features are discounted 20 percent.

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# Accidental Death & Dismemberment

#### **Voluntary Benefit**

#### **Eligibility:**

- You
- Your spouse/certified domestic partner (see certification info on page 7)
- Your children up to age 19, or age 23, if full-time student

#### Benefit start date:

- · Hourly-paid: 90 days after hire date
- · Salaried: on hire date

#### Enroll by ...

completing your Benefits Enrollment Form within your deadline

#### Can change elections ...

only during Open Enrollment, unless you experience a qualifying event (see page 11)

Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) pays your beneficiary if you die in an accident; AD&D would pay you a percentage of the elected benefit if you suffer a dismemberment in an accident.

Family coverage is available for eligible family members and benefits for a family member's loss are paid at a percentage of your elected benefit. The three levels of family payouts are:

- If you and your spouse/partner have no children, the amount paid to you if your spouse/partner dies in an accident, or if the accident causes dismemberment, would be 50% of your coverage.
- If you and your spouse/partner have children, the amount paid to you if your spouse/partner dies in an
  accident or if the accident causes dismemberment, would be 40% of your coverage; the amount paid to you
  if your child dies in an accident or if the accident causes dismemberment, would be 10% of your coverage.
- If you have children, but do not have a spouse/partner, the amount paid to you if your child dies in an accident or if the accident causes dismemberment, would be 15% of your coverage.

Full-time regular staff may purchase AD&D coverage in increments of \$10,000 (up to  $10 \times$  your annual salary or \$500,000, whichever is less).

The Accidental Death & Dismemberment benefit is administered by MetLife.

# Flexible Spending Accounts

#### **Voluntary Benefit**

#### Eligibility:

- Health FSA: You and your tax dependents
- Dependent Care FSA: Your children up to age 13 and/or a disabled dependent

#### Benefit start date:

 Hourly-paid and salaried: first of the month after three months from hire date

#### Enroll by ...

completing a Flexible Spending Account Enrollment Form within 3 months of your hire date

#### Can change elections ...

only during Open Enrollment, unless you experience a qualifying event (see page 11)

A Flexible Spending Account (FSA) (formerly known as Personal Spending Account) enables you to set aside money on a pre-tax basis (before Federal income and FICA taxes) to pay for eligible medical or dependent care expenses. You save money by paying less taxes. You submit receipts to PayFlex for reimbursement from your account(s).

Your first FSA enrollment must be completed within three months of your hire date on the Flexible Spending Account Enrollment Form and then online during Open Enrollment, if you want an FSA for the next year. The amount(s) you elect will be evenly deducted from your remaining paychecks of the year. The period you are eligible to incur expenses begins on the first of the month after eligibility and continues to the end of the plan year. The money contributed to your FSA account must be used during the plan year. Money not used will be lost, as required by Federal law.

#### Health FSA

You use your Health FSA funds for out-of-pocket medical expenses, such as copays, deductibles, prescription drugs, eye care expenses, and other eligible expenses (see IRS Publication 502: Medical and Dental Expenses at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p502.pdf for details).

#### Dependent Care FSA

Dependent Care FSA funds are used to pay for expenses to place your child(ren) (under the age of 13) or other eligible dependents in day care or other custodial care to enable you (and, if married, your spouse) to work or seek work (see IRS Publication 503, Child and Dependent Care Expenses at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p503.pdf for more details).

The Flexible Spending Account benefits are managed by PayFlex Systems USA, Inc.

Annual Allowable Elections for FSAs

Health FSA \$104 to \$3,600 per employee Dependent Care FSA \$104 to \$5,000 per household

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# Short-term Disability

#### Voluntary Benefit

#### Eligibility:

You

#### Benefit start date:

 Hourly-paid and salaried: first of the month after three months from hire date

#### Enroll by ...

completing the enrollment paperwork that will be mailed to your home address by The Hartford, within 3 months of your hire date

#### Can change elections ...

only during Open Enrollment, unless you experience a qualifying event (see page 11)

Short-term Disability insurance is an optional benefit that would pay 66 ½ percent of your income (up to \$2,500 a week) if you become sick or injured outside of the workplace. You may enroll in Short-term Disability when you begin your employment at Vanderbilt. The Hartford will mail enrollment information to your home address. You may choose the 15-day or the 30-day option (the wait until payout of disability pay begins) and disability benefits may continue for up to 26 weeks. Short-term Disability payroll deductions are after-tax, so you do not owe income taxes on the benefit when you receive the disability pay.

More details about Short-term Disability can be found in the Summary Plan Description on the forms page of the HR Web site (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms).

The Short-term Disability benefit is administered by The Hartford.

# Discount Programs

#### **Voluntary Benefit**

#### Eligibility on hire date:

· All discount programs

#### Enroll by ...

contacting the provider of the discount, anytime. There is no deadline to enroll. Tell the provider you are a Vanderbilt employee.

#### **Auto & Homeowners Insurance**

Group Auto and Homeowners Insurance is offered by MetLife. You may call 800.GETMET8 for more information, including a free insurance review and a no-obligation quote.

#### Long-term Care

Long-term Care insurance provides assistance to pay for an eligible nursing home or in-home health provider, if you became unable to care for yourself. You can also purchase coverage for a parent or a dependent. This insurance is offered through MetLife. For more information, call MetLife at 800.GETMET8.

#### Pet Insurance

Pet Insurance is offered through Veterinary Pet Insurance. Two levels of coverage for accidents and illness, as well as vaccination and routine care coverage, are available. For more information and applications, contact Veterinary Pet Insurance at 800.USA.PETS, or online at www.petinsurance.com.

# Disease Management Program

Included with your enrollment in the Health Plan

#### Enroll by ...

your enrollment in the Vanderbilt Health Plan automatically enrolls you in the disease management program The disease management program is designed to improve employee health and control costs for you and the Vanderbilt Health Plan.

#### A Two-part Program

The first part of the program reviews the care you receive to identify any potential problems. If a gap in care is discovered a "Care Consideration" is faxed to your doctor so he/she can act upon the potential issue.

The second part of the program identifies adult health plan participants with specific chronic health conditions, such as diabetes or heart disease, and automatically notifies them of the program to help monitor their condition, provide online tools, and offer a nurse phone line. If you have a chronic condition monitored by the program you will be contacted to request participation in the program, however you may opt out if you do not want to participate. Vanderbilt encourages employees to use this valuable health care program available at no additional cost to you.

The disease management program is administered by ActiveHealth.

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# Prescription Drug Program

#### Included with your enrollment in the Health Plan

#### Enroll by ...

your enrollment in the Vanderbilt Health Plan automatically enrolls you in the prescription drug program

#### **Maintenance Generics and the Other Drug Tiers**

Vanderbilt University encourages members to use generic drugs when a generic equivalent is available. If you or your physician request the brand-name drug when a generic equivalent is available, you will pay the Level 3 copay plus the cost difference between the brand-name drug and generic drug. Any cost differential payments do not count toward the prescription drug annual out-of-pocket maximum. Mail order and specialty drug prescriptions are available only through Vanderbilt outpatient pharmacies.

The formulary list is available on Navitus Health Solutions Web site (www.navitus.com) and shows the level of the drug that you can expect to pay.

The Vanderbilt pharmacies are located in The Vanderbilt Clinic, Medical Center East, Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt, and Vanderbilt Health One Hundred Oaks.

The Vanderbilt Specialty Pharmacy helps members of the Health Plan who are taking medications classified as "Specialty" for chronic illnesses or complex diseases by providing services that offer convenience and support. Specialty drugs are available only through Vanderbilt Pharmacies. For a list of specialty drugs, go to http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/benefits/prescription.htm.

#### **Annual Out-of-pocket Maximum for Prescriptions**

Vanderbilt caps your annual copay amount on prescriptions. You will not pay more in prescription drug copays than an individual maximum of \$2,500 and the family maximum of \$5,000 per year. The cap is the same for each of the health plan options.

Navitus Health Solutions administers the prescription drug benefit. You will receive a Navitus card to use at the pharmacy to fill a prescription.

# Eligible Dependents

In order to enroll your dependents in the health, dental or vision plans, they must meet these eligibility rules.

Vanderbilt University reserves the right to audit dependents and may require copies of any legal papers to establish a person as your dependent. Only copies of documents issued by a court of law will be considered as acceptable documentation.

Attempting to insure someone who is not eligible may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.

- 1. Your spouse or certified domestic partner. [Certified domestic partner is a person of the same sex that is not related by blood. The partner must not be under 21 years of age, not legally married to anyone else, nor have another domestic partner. This person must be currently in a committed relationship of six months or more duration and reside in a common household sharing joint responsibility for the household with the employee. Certification of domestic partnership must be obtained through the Director of Benefits Administration. To obtain required certification, make an appointment with the director by calling 615.322.8303. (HR Policy HR-016)]
- 2. Your unmarried children from birth to 25 years of age. Children must live with you in a regular parent-child relationship, or reside in a custodial institution for medical reasons or another monitored environment (endorsed by a physician on an annual basis) for medical or behavioral reasons, and depend upon you for more than 70 percent of their support. If a court approved "Qualified Medical Child Support Order" is provided within 31 days of the date issued, the requirement that the child reside with the employee will be waived. They must be children of the employee by birth, legal guardianship or custody, legal adoption or placement in anticipation of adoption, the employee's stepchildren, or the children of the employee's certified domestic partner.
- 3. Any unmarried children 25 years of age or older who are incapable of self-support because of mental or physical disability, if the disability existed, and is documented with Vanderbilt's Office of Benefits Administration, prior to their reaching the age of 25. Children must live with you in a regular parent-child relationship, or reside in a custodial institution for medical reasons or reside in another monitored environment (endorsed by a physician on an annual basis) for medical or behavioral reasons, and depend upon you for more than 70 percent of their support. They must be children of the employee by birth, legal guardianship or custody, legal adoption or placement in anticipation of adoption, the employee's stepchildren, or the children of the employee's certified domestic partner. The Plan Administrator or its designee must approve the continuation of coverage for this child.

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# Health Plan Details Standard Option

- The Standard option is a traditional PPO plan administered by Aetna
- You may choose any primary care provider in the Aetna POS II network (which includes Vanderbilt providers) and you do not need a referral for a specialist
- You will find Aetna POS II network providers throughout the United States
- Out-of-network providers may be used, but do not have the advantage of discounted services
- · Find the Aetna provider directory at www.aetna.com/docfind/custom/vanderbilt
- · For full details of this option, refer to the Aetna Standard Evidence of Coverage available at HR Express and online at http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms

	At-Vanderbilt*	In-network (Aetna POS II)	Out-of-network
Credits — The Go for the Gold Wellness Credit you earn w to access the funds, as Aetna will pay your first medical cl	ill be paid into your Vander aims (not copays) out of thi	bilt Health Plan Account s Health Plan Account.	. You will not file claims
Go for the Gold Wellness Credit paid into your Vanderbilt Health Plan Account		mount depends on level of pa onze \$120, Silver \$180, Gold	•
Deductible $\Omega$ — Vanderbilt Health Plan Account is used to	help you meet your deduct	tible.	
Individual	\$550	\$1,000	\$1,750
Family Maximum	\$850	\$1,750	\$3,250
Coinsurance Rate — After meeting your deductible, you	oay a percentage of billed cl	aims in each network.	
	20%	30%	50%
Out-of-Pocket Maximum*			
Individual	\$3,	750	\$7,250
Family Maximum	\$7,	\$14,250	
Cost of Services	1		-
Preventive visit, sick visit, specialist visit, mental health visit*	\$20 copay	\$30 copay	50% after deductible (preventive not covered)
Emergency room visit	\$100 copay, then 20% after deductible	\$100 copay, then 30% after deductible	\$100 copay, then 30% after deductible
Urgent care visit	\$50 copay, then 20% after deductible	\$50 copay, then 30% after deductible	\$50 copay, then 50% after deductible
Hospital inpatient (including maternity), outpatient services, diagnostic testing	1	1	1
Mental health inpatient*			
Skilled nursing (limit of 60 days/year)			
Home health care (limits apply, 120 visits maximum per year)	20% after deductible	30% after deductible	50% after deductible
Hospice care			The South and the final and the contract of the state of
Therapy (physical, speech, occupational, cardiac rehab)			
Infertility diagnosis (not treatment)			
Durable medical equipment	Limitations apply		
Chiropractic care	Not applicable	30% after deductible, \$500 maximum	50% after deductible, \$500 maximum

<sup>\*</sup> Includes some community pediatricians [click link on the HR Web site (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/benefits) to view the directory]

Ω The deductible for each participant will not exceed the 'individual maximum'. The total deductible amount paid in the employee + spouse/partner, employee + children, or family tiers will not exceed the 'family maximum'. There is a separate deductible for each network.

<sup>\*</sup> Out-of-pocket maximum includes total of coinsurance payments only and does not include copays or deductibles. The out-of-pocket maximum for "at-Vanderbilt" and Aetna network are combined. If you meet the out-of-pocket maximum, you are still responsible for any copays and any balance due between the billed charge and the maximum allowable charge.

Information resulting from pending legislative guidance on mental health parity will be posted to the Benefits tab of the HR Web site.
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# Health Plan Details Advantage P Option

- The Advantage P option is a traditional PPO plan administered by BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee (BCBSTN)
- · You may choose any primary care provider in the BlueCross P network (which includes Vanderbilt providers) and you do not need a referral for a specialist
- · You will find BlueCross P network providers throughout Tennessee and surrounding counties
- Providers throughout the U.S. are managed through the BlueCross BlueShield Association
- Out-of-network providers may be used, but do not have the advantage of discounted services
- · Find the provider directory at http://www.bcbst.com/members/vanderbilt
- For full details of this health plan option, refer to the Advantage P Evidence of Coverage available at HR Express and online at http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms

	At-Vanderbilt*	In-network (BlueCross P)	Out-of-network
Credits — The Go for the Gold Wellness Credit you earn w to access the funds, as BCBST will pay your first medical cl	ill be paid into your Vander aims (not copays) out of th	bilt Health Plan Account is Health Plan Account.	t. You will not file claims
Go for the Gold Wellness Credit paid into your Vanderbilt Health Plan Account	Annual amount depends on level of participation: Bronze \$120, Silver \$180, Gold \$240		
$ {\bf Deductible}^{\Omega} - {\bf Vanderbilt\ Health\ Plan\ Account\ is\ used\ to}$	help you meet your deduc	tible.	
Individual	\$350	\$550	\$750
Family Maximum	\$450	\$850	\$1,250
Coinsurance Rate — After meeting your deductible, you p	ay a percentage of billed cl	aims in each network.	
	10%	20%	40%
Out-of-Pocket Maximum*			
Individual	\$2,750		\$5,250
Family Maximum	\$5,250		\$10,250
Cost of Services			
Preventive visit, sick visit, specialist visit, mental health visit	\$20 copay	\$30 copay	40% after deductible (preventive not covered)
Emergency room visit	\$100 copay, then 10% after deductible	\$100 copay, then 20% after deductible	\$100 copay, then 40% after deductible
Urgent care visit	\$50 copay, then 10% after deductible	\$50 copay, then 20% after deductible	\$50 copay, then 40% after deductible
Hospital inpatient (including maternity), outpatient services, diagnostic testing	1	1	1
Mental health inpatient ❖			
Skilled nursing (limit of 60 days/year)			
Home health care (limits apply, 120 visits maximum per year)	10% after deductible	20% after deductible	40% after deductible
Hospice care			to The North Manda solublishes and the course and a course a course and a course and a course and a course a course and a course and a course and a
Therapy (physical, speech, occupational, cardiac rehab)			
Infertility diagnosis (not treatment)		THE STATE OF STATE OF STATE AND ADDRESS AN	
Durable medical equipment	Limitations apply		
Chiropractic care	Not applicable	20% after deductible, \$500 maximum	40% after deductible, \$500 maximum

<sup>\*</sup> Includes some community pediatricians [click link on the HR Web site (http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/benefits) to view the directory]

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The deductible for each participant will not exceed the 'individual maximum'. The total deductible amount paid in the employee + spouse/partner, employee + children, or family tiers will not exceed the 'family maximum'. There is a separate deductible for each network.

<sup>\*</sup> Out-of-pocket maximum includes total of coinsurance payments only and does not include copays or deductibles. The out-of-pocket maximum for "at-Vanderbilt" and BCBSTN network are combined. If you meet the out-of-pocket maximum, you are still responsible for any copays and any balance due between the billed charge and the maximum allowable charge.

the Information resulting from pending legislative guidance on mental health parity will be posted to the Benefits tab of the HR Web site.

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http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms/documents/BG-Staff-Candidate.pdf

# Health Plan Details HealthFund Option

- The HealthFund option is a traditional PPO plan with a health reimbursement arrangement administered by Aetna
- · You may choose any primary care provider in the Aetna POS II network (which includes Vanderbilt providers) and you do not need a referral for a specialist
- · You will find Aetna POS II network providers throughout the United States
- Find the Aetna provider directory at www.aetna.com/docfind/custom/vanderbilt
- In the HealthFund option, Vanderbilt pays for approved preventive care (you do not pay out-of-pocket, nor is it paid from your HealthFund)
- · For full details of this option, refer to the Aetna HealthFund Evidence of Coverage available at HR Express and online at http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/forms

	At-Vanderbilt*	In-network (Aetna POS II)	Out-of-network	
Credits* — The Go for the Gold (GFTG) Wellness Credit you ear to access the funds, as Aetna will pay your first medical claims (	n will be paid into your Van not copays) out of this Hea	derbilt Health Plan Accou lth Plan Account.	nt. You will not file claims	
Go for the Gold Wellness Credit paid into your	Annual amount depends on your level of participation:			
Vanderbilt Health Plan Account	Bro	Bronze \$120, Silver \$180, Gold \$240		
<b>HealthFund</b> — <b>Deposited by Vanderbilt on your behalf with Ae</b> begin July 1 or after, the HealthFund amount for that year is 50 percen	tna. Unused balance rolls to t of annual amount (\$375 emp	o future years up to fund i ployee-only and \$750 other ti	maximum. If your benefits iers).	
HealthFund for employee-only coverage tier	\$750	) plus GFTG Wellness Credit ar	nount	
HealthFund for other coverage tiers	\$1,50	0 plus GFTG Wellness Credit a	mount	
${\bf Deductible}^{\Omega} = {\bf Vanderbilt Health Plan Account and HealthFun}$	d are used to help you mee	t your deductible.		
Individual	\$1,	750	\$4,250	
Family Maximum	\$3,	250	\$8,250	
Coinsurance Rate — After meeting your deductible, you pay pe	rcentage of billed claims in	each network.		
	10%	20%	40%	
Out-of-Pocket Maximum*				
Individual	\$3,	\$3,750		
Family Maximum	\$7,250		\$14,250	
Cost of Services				
Preventive visit (well child, well woman, annual checkup)	\$0	\$0	Not covered	
Sick visit, specialist visit, mental health visit*	<b>†</b>	<b>†</b>	<b>↑</b>	
Urgent care visit	P. 1994 OFFICE OFFICE OUT CART CARTS Colline of the developed of colliness. The common rest on one one		TOTAL TAKEN THE STATE OF THE ST	
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Mental health inpatient❖	The second of th		The second secon	
Skilled nursing (limit of 60 days/year)	10% after deductible	20% after deductible	40% after deductible	
Home health care (limits apply, 120 visits maximum per year)			The state of the s	
Hospice care			AN THE TENER PARTY TO A COURSE OF THE COURSE	
Therapy (physical, speech, occupational, cardiac rehab)				
Infertility diagnosis (not treatment)			J	
Emergency room visit	Mile No. No. 100 No. No. 104 (this SEE SEE No. Inhabite in which shallow hind his line own. An impropring was		20% after deductible	
Durable medical equipment	Limitations apply	the first hardware and for the second	40% after deductible	
Chiropractic care	Not applicable	20% after deductible, \$500 maximum	40% after deductible, \$500 maximum	

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<sup>\*</sup>Your Health Plan Account and HealthFund operate as one account. Aetna pays your first claims from the total amount in your fund.

Ω The deductible for each participant will not exceed the 'individual maximum'. The total deductible amount paid in the employee + spouse/partner, employee + children, or family tiers will not exceed the 'family maximum'. There is a separate deductible for each network.

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# Go for the Gold Program

Vanderbilt Faculty and Staff Wellness Program

#### Participate by ...

completing all three steps of the program online at www.vanderbilt.edu/goforthegold

NOTE: The Go for the Gold Wellness Credit is available only to employees who elect and pay for the Vanderbilt Health Plan. If your spouse/partner also works at Vanderbilt and waives Health Plan coverage and is covered as your dependent on the Vanderbilt Health Plan, she/he is not eligible to receive the Wellness Credit.

The Go for the Gold Program is a health promotion program designed to help faculty and staff and their families lead healthier and more productive lives by identifying health risks and taking action to reduce those risks.

In addition to reducing your health risks, if you participate in the Go for the Gold Program and are enrolled in the Vanderbilt Health Plan you can earn a wellness credit of up to \$240 per year. Your wellness credit is paid into a Vanderbilt Health Plan Account, which will help you and any enrolled family members meet your deductibles. You do not need to file claims to use the Vanderbilt Health Plan Account, as Aetna or BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee (depending on your elected health plan), will automatically pay from this account on your behalf when they receive a bill from a doctor's office or facility. The Health Plan Account does not pay for copays.

The deadline is November 1 of each year to receive the wellness credit applied to your Vanderbilt Health Plan Account the following January. The account will roll over each year and you can accumulate a Health Plan Account of up to \$1,000.

For questions about the wellness credit, visit http://hr.vanderbilt.edu/benefits/gftgFAQ.htm.

# Changing Your Elections

Changes to some benefit programs, such as Retirement, Long-term Disability and Life Insurance, are not limited to qualifying events or the Open Enrollment period, but may have other requirements for making changes. Review each section of this document, the benefits pages of the HR Web site, or contact HR Customer Service about making changes to these benefits.

#### **Qualifying Events/Family Status Changes**

Your elections for the Health Plan, Dental, Vision, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, Flexible Spending Accounts and Short-term Disability stay in effect for the plan year (January 1—December 31), unless you experience a change in family status that qualifies for a change to your elections. A change in marital status, birth, or change in your spouse's employment status are examples of qualifying events. To change your elections, you must submit a Notification of Family Status Change Form and supporting documentation to the Office of Benefits Administration within 30 days of the qualifying event triggering the need for the insurance change. For more information, go to the Life/Work Changes Web page: http:// hr.vanderbilt.edu/benefits/lifework.htm.

## **Open Enrollment**

Each fall, you may make changes for the following year for the six benefits restricted to Open Enrollment:

- · Health Care Plan
- · Dental Insurance
- · Vision Plan
- · Accidental Death and Dismemberment
- Flexible Spending Accounts
- · Short-term Disability

### **Benefits Vendor Contact Information**

Coverage	Web site	Phone
Disease Management	www.activehealth.net	800.967.4491
Health Plan	Main site: www.aetna.com	800.743.0910
	Provider Directory: www.aetna.com/docfind/custom/val	nderbilt/index.html
Dental Care	www.cigna.com	800.642.5810
AD&D, Auto, Home, Life, Long-term Care	www.metlife.com	800.GETMET8
Prescription Drug Program	www.navitus.com	866.333.2757
Flexible Spending Accounts	http://vanderbilt.payflex.com	800.284.4885
Retirement	www.tiaa-cref.org/vanderbilt	800.842.2776
Retirement	www.valic.com	615.221.2541
Retirement	www.vanguard.com	800.523.1188
Pet Insurance	www.petinsurance.com	877.PETS.VPI
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Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)

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# Office of Human Resource Services



Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)

#### **Division of Retirement**

For additional information about DROP--such as spreadsheets to help you estimate your benefits, brochures, and articles--visit the Division of Retirement's web site and click on DROP.

Employees reaching normal retirement date, age 62, or 30 years of service at any age, may retire and have their FRS benefits accumulate in DROP and earn interest while continuing to work for a FRS employer for up to five years. (Special Risk normal retirement date is age 55, or 25 years of special risk service, whichever comes first.) When the designated DROP period ends, the employee must terminate employment. He or she will receive payment of the accumulated DROP benefits and then monthly FRS retirement pension benefits will begin.

A few exceptions exist to the normal retirement eligibility criteria. The exception that occurs most frequently involves employees completing 30 years of service before reaching age 57. When this happens, they may defer DROP and elect to participate anytime until they reach age 57, then, at age 57, the 12-month window begins.

Another exception to the standard regulation applies when an employee has gained 30 or more years of creditable service only from buying back eligible prior service and/or military time. In this instance, they can defer enrolling in DROP until they have completed 30 years of actual service and are at least 57 years old.

Employees who meet either of the above exceptions may defer participating in DROP until they naturally reach normal eligibility. Then, upon reaching the normal eligibility criteria, they have 12 months in which to decide whether to participate in DROP. Employees' maximum program participation is reduced each month that passes during this 12-month span. After the 12 months from date of normal eligibility has passed, they no longer are eligible to enroll in DROP. Employees covered by Special Risk should contact the University Retirement Office for exceptions.

Twelve-month employees enrolling in DROP may elect to receive a lump-sum annual leave payment (up to the established policy limits—240 hours for USPS; 352 hours for certain TEAMS employees and faculty) when entering DROP. If employees elect this option, their annual leave payments are added to the calculation of monthly retirement benefits. As a second option, employees may wait to receive payment for accrued annual leave when they leave the university. In this case, the payment is not included in your pension calculation. A third option would be a combination of the two.

If an employee chooses the first or third options, he or she should coordinate the processing of annual leave payment with his or her departmental payroll administrator to ensure that it is processed timely so as to be included for DROP.

Because DROP is complex, you are encouraged to schedule a one-on-one <u>retirement counseling session</u> with a university retirement specialist. Contact University Retirement at 392-2477, or <u>retirement@ufl.edu</u>.

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# Deferred Retirement Option Program



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#### WHAT IS DROP?

The Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) allows you to effectively retire under the Florida Retirement System (FRS) Pension Plan. You begin accumulating your retirement benefits without having to terminate employment for up to 60 months from the date you first reach your normal retirement date or your eligible deferral date. (See Page 14 for information about instructional personnel who may be eligible for extended DROP participation beyond 60 months.) As a DROP participant, you simultaneously earn a salary and a retirement income.

Before you participate in DROP, you earn one month of service credit for each month you work, towards your total service credit at retirement. When you enter DROP, you are considered to be retired and you stop earning retirement service credit. While participating in DROP, your monthly retirement benefits accumulate in the FRS Trust Fund, earning tax-deferred interest while you continue to work for an FRS employer. Tax-deferred interest means that you pay any taxes owed when you receive the interest instead of when the interest was earned.

When your DROP participation ends, you **must** terminate all employment with all FRS employers for six calendar months. (See "Note" on Page 9 for exceptions to the termination requirement that may apply to certain elected officials.) At that time, you receive your DROP payout and begin receiving your monthly retirement benefit, in the same amount determined at retirement, plus annual cost-of-living increases. The longer you participate in DROP, the greater your financial gain. However, even short periods of DROP participation can offer enough financial advantages to make participation the right choice for you. For many, DROP offers the "best of both worlds" by providing the financial security of a guaranteed lifetime benefit and an opportunity to accumulate additional savings, all while you are working.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

## Who is eligible to join DROP?

To participate in DROP, you must be vested and eligible for normal retirement (based on your years of service or age) as an active member of:

- The Florida Retirement System (FRS) Pension Plan,
- · The Teachers' Retirement System (TRS), or
- The State and County Officers and Employees' Retirement System (SCOERS).

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### Who is not eligible to participate in DROP?

You cannot participate in DROP if:

- You retired from a state administered retirement system and after retirement you become reemployed in an FRS-covered position as a renewed member.
- You are a member or retiree of the FRS Investment Plan.
- You are a member or retiree of the State University System Optional Retirement Program.
- You are a member or retiree of the State Community College System Optional Retirement Program.
- You are a member or retiree of the Senior Management Service Optional Annuity Program (for state employees only).
- You are a senior manager employed by or retired from a non-state employer and you chose to withdraw from participation in the FRS.
- You are an elected official and you chose to withdraw from participation in the FRS.

### When can I begin DROP?

You may begin DROP participation in the month you reach your normal retirement date based upon your age, or the month after the month you reach your normal retirement date based upon your years of service. You also need to be vested, which means you have at least six years of service credit. Normal retirement date for age or service are:

- Special Risk Class age 55 with at least six years but less than 25 years, age 52 with a total of 25 years that include up to four years of purchased wartime military service, or any age before age 55 with 25 years of special risk service. These requirements apply to members of the Special Risk Administrative Support Class who have at least six years of special risk service.
- Regular Class, Elected Officers' Class and Senior Management Service Class - age 62 with at least six years but less than 30 years of service or any age before age 62 with 30 years of service. These requirements apply to members of the Special Risk Administrative Support Class who do not have six years of special risk service.

#### Example

If you are vested and reach normal retirement based on age (62 or 55) on May  $22^{nd}$ , your normal retirement date would be May  $1^{st}$ . Or, if you will complete 30 years (25 years for Special Risk Class members) of service in May and have not reached your normal retirement age, your normal retirement date is June  $1^{st}$ .

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If you reach your normal retirement date based on your years of service before age 57 (age 52 for Special Risk Class members) or reach your normal retirement date while holding an elected office covered by the Elected Officers' Class, you may qualify to defer your DROP participation to a future date. Also, if you are employed as K-12 instructional personnel, you may be eligible to defer your DROP participation (see "Deferral Exceptions" on Pages 12-13).

If you are a member of one of the closed retirement systems such as the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) and State and County Officers and Employees' Retirement System (SCOERS), your normal retirement date varies based on your membership date, class and plan. If you are a member of TRS or SCOERS and are unsure of your normal retirement date, please contact the Bureau of Retirement Calculations (see contact information on Page 1).

#### When should I apply for DROP?

You may apply up to six months before reaching your normal retirement date or DROP deferral date. To maximize your time in DROP, we must receive your DROP application and election forms no later than the last working day of the month you intend to begin DROP participation. We encourage you to send in your DROP application as early as possible.

If you apply for DROP after your normal retirement date or after your latest eligible deferral date, but within the first 12 months of your 60-month participation period, each month you delay your application you reduce your maximum program participation period. If you fail to make an election to participate within this 12-month DROP election window, you are no longer eligible to participate in the program, unless you qualify for one of the exceptions (see "Deferral Exceptions" on Pages 12-13).

#### Example:

If your normal retirement date or latest eligible deferral date was July 1, 2010, and you did not make an election to participate in DROP by the last State of Florida work day in June 2011, you would no longer be eligible to participate in the program unless you qualified for one of the exceptions (see "Deferral Exceptions" on Pages 12-13).

### BENEFITS IN DOLLARS AND SENSE

#### How much interest will my DROP account earn?

DROP accounts earn interest, compounded monthly, at an effective annual rate of 6.50 percent. Benefits on deposit for less than one month or after the month in which you end your DROP participation do not earn interest.

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The monthly retirement benefit credited to your DROP account increases by a 3 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) each July 1<sup>st</sup>, or by a prorated amount if you have been in DROP for less than one year when you receive your first COLA.

#### How can I estimate the value of my DROP account?

Calculate your monthly benefit based on the FRS Pension Plan retirement benefit formula.

For the "percentage value" of your service credit, see the retirement guide for your membership class or visit the "Online Services" page of our website at http://frs.MyFlorida.com.

#### **DROP Account Estimate Example:**

You are a **Regular Class member** in the FRS Pension Plan, are age 62 or younger, and have:

- 30 years of creditable service
- an average final compensation (AFC) of \$25,000 (AFC is the average of your highest earnings or compensation for five fiscal years),
- an accrual value of 1.60 percent-per-year value of your service as a Regular Class member, and
- · chose option 1.

Your initial annual retirement benefit payment would be \$12,000 or \$1,000 per month. It is calculated as follows:

See the Retirement Guide for Members of the Regular Class for more information about the benefits for members of this class.

If you begin DROP participation in July and with yearly 3 percent COLA adjustments, your annual FRS benefit becomes \$13,911 or \$1,159 per month after five years in DROP. You would also have a DROP account balance of \$74,406.

To determine your potential DROP accumulation, find your estimated monthly retirement benefit payment on the left side of the table on Page 9. Next, find the number of years you expect to participate in DROP. The amount at the intersection of the selected row and column is a rough estimate of the value of your DROP account.

You may also project your DROP accumulation by using the calculator on our website at http://frs.MyFlorida.com. The calculator estimates DROP account values for up to a 60-month participation period.

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If you are in an eligible position and authorized by your employer and the Division to extend your DROP participation beyond the period you originally requested, you will receive a revised DROP accumulation chart after we receive and approve your DROP extension form (see Page 11, "What forms must I complete for DROP?").

#### What about my lump-sum annual leave payment?

You may choose to receive a lump-sum payment of your earned annual leave, either at the time you enter DROP or after your DROP participation ends. Based on your employer's policy, up to 500 hours can be reported.

If your accumulated annual leave is paid to you at the time you enter DROP and your employer confirms and reports the amount to us on the monthly payroll report, this increases your retirement benefit, therefore your DROP accumulation increases as well. If you receive a lump-sum annual leave payment(s) after your DROP participation begins, and it was not certified to us at the time you began DROP, it will **not** change your FRS benefit calculation.

#### How will my DROP benefits be taxed?

At the end of your DROP participation, if you elect to have your DROP accumulation rolled over to another "eligible retirement plan" as defined in Section 402(c)(8)(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, you owe no taxes on your DROP accumulation until you begin to withdraw these funds from the "eligible retirement plan" (see Pages 17-18 for more information on rollover options). When you begin to withdraw these funds, the income taxes you owe are based on your income tax rate in the year you receive the funds.

If you choose a total or partial lump-sum payment of your DROP accumulation, the lump-sum amount will be taxed as income in the year the payment is issued. The IRS requires we withhold 20 percent of this amount for taxes when distributed to you. You could owe additional income taxes based on your income tax bracket. Also, unless you terminate from DROP in or after the year you reach age 55, you may owe an additional 10 percent early withdrawal tax on your lump-sum distribution. If you are an eligible public safety officer retiree, you would not be subject to this 10 percent early withdrawal tax unless you receive the lump-sum distribution before age 50. Please consult the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) at www.irs.gov, or your tax advisor, for more information. When you file your income tax forms that year, you may also owe additional taxes, depending on your income tax bracket.

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#### Example:

If you choose to take a lump-sum DROP distribution of \$100,000, we automatically withhold 20 percent (\$20,000) for taxes. The 1099-R tax form we send you for that year would include the lump-sum amount you received and the 20 percent tax withheld. If you are in the 28 percent tax bracket that year, you would owe an extra 8 percent (\$8,000) in taxes, reducing the actual amount received in your lump-sum distribution from \$100,000 to \$72,000. If your termination from DROP occurs before the year that you reach age 55 (or age 50 for eligible public safety officer retirees), you may also owe an additional 10 percent tax (\$10,000) on your lump-sum distribution. This would further reduce the amount of the lump-sum distribution you receive from \$100,000 to \$62,000.

### What happens when my DROP participation ends?

You and your employer(s) must submit Form DP-TERM, DROP Termination Notification, to verify that you terminated all employment with FRS employers. After verification, you begin receiving your monthly FRS retirement benefit and your DROP distribution. Monthly benefits are payable on the last State of Florida work day of the month. We distribute DROP payouts the month following verification of your termination. Your DROP account stops earning interest the month in which your participation ends.

Your DROP accumulation is paid in one of three ways:

- as a lump-sum payment, with 20 percent withheld for federal income taxes:
- · as a direct rollover to an eligible retirement plan; or
- as a combined partial lump-sum payment and direct rollover.

If your DROP accumulation includes personal contributions, such as required employee contributions you made prior to 1975 or payments for optional service credit you purchased using after-tax dollars, that portion of each monthly payment will be paid as a tax-free, lump-sum payment. We use the Simplified General Rule under the Internal Revenue Code to compute that payment. This portion of your DROP accumulation represents your after-tax contributions that you cannot roll over into a tax-sheltered account (see Pages 17-18 for information on rollover options).

Within 60 days after your DROP participation ends, we distribute your account the way you choose. If you do not choose a distribution method within that 60-day period, we issue a lump-sum payment and withhold 20 percent for taxes.

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Note: If you hold an elected office at the end of your DROP participation, you must fulfill the termination requirement as provided in s. 121.021(39), F.S. Your termination may occur at the end of your 60-month DROP eligibility period or be postponed to the end of the term of office in which your DROP participation ended or any successively held office. If your termination requirement is extended under this provision, you are not eligible for renewed membership in the FRS and will not receive pension payments or your DROP account distribution until you terminate from elected office. After the end of your DROP participation and prior to termination from office, your DROP account will increase only by compounded monthly interest unless your DROP participation begins on or after July 1, 2010. If you are an elected official and your DROP participation begins on or after July 1, 2010, your DROP account will no longer earn interest after your DROP participation ends. If you are an elected official and need more information, contact us by telephone toll-free at (888) 738-2252 or (850) 488-6491, or by e-mail at calculations@dms.MyFlorida.com.

### **DROP ACCOUNT ESTIMATES**

Monthly Retirement	YEARS OF PARTICIPATION IN DROP		
Benefit	1	2	
\$100	\$1,235	\$2,588	
\$200	\$2,471	\$5,176	
\$400	\$4,941	\$10,352	
\$600	\$7,412	\$15,528	
\$800	\$9,883	\$20,704	
\$1,000	\$12,353	\$25,880	
\$1,200	\$14,824	\$31,056	
\$1,400	\$17,295	\$36,232	
\$1,600	\$19,765	\$41,408	
\$1,800	\$22,236	\$46,584	
\$2,000	\$24,707	\$51,760	
\$2,200	\$27,177	\$56,937	
\$2,400	\$29,648	\$62,113	
\$2,600	\$32,119	\$67,289	
\$2,800	\$34,589	\$72,465	
\$3,000	\$37,060	\$77,641	
\$3,200	\$39,531	\$82,817	
\$3,400	\$42,002	\$87,993	
\$3,600	\$44,472	\$93,169	
\$3,800	\$46,943	\$98,345	
\$4,000	\$49,414	\$103,521	

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### IS DROP RIGHT FOR ME?

### Should I retire and participate in DROP?

One of the most important retirement decisions you will make is whether you should participate in DROP. To help you in this decision, ask us for comparative estimates of the benefits you would receive under DROP versus the benefits you would receive if you continued working and earning service credit for the same period of time and then retired without participating in DROP. After you receive these estimates, review your total financial situation, including your FRS and/or DROP benefits, personal investments and other assets, Social Security benefits, significant debts and other liabilities. We recommend that you meet with your accountant, financial planner, tax attorney or other trusted financial advisor for assistance. You may also contact the FRS Financial Guidance Program toll-free help line at (866) 446-9377, or access the FRS Financial Guidance Program at www.MyFRS.com. This financial guidance program answers your retirement and

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\$73,202	\$102,258	\$133,931
\$81,336	\$113,620	\$148,812
\$89,469	\$124,982	\$163,693
\$97,603	\$136,344	\$178,574
\$105,737	\$147,706	\$193,455
\$113,870	\$159,068	\$208,336
\$122,004	\$170,430	\$223,218
\$130,137	\$181,792	\$238,099
\$138,271	\$193,154	\$252,980
\$146,405	\$204,516	\$267,861
\$154,538	\$215,878	\$282,742
\$162,672	\$227,240	\$297,624

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financial planning questions while protecting your privacy. Careful consideration of your options helps ensure that the choices you make provide the best financial security for your future. To help you explore DROP further, our website (http://frs.MyFlorida.com) offers a number of online services to assist you, including a link to e-mail the Bureau of Retirement Calculations directly.

#### Questions to ask yourself:

- How long do I want to participate in DROP?
- What are my options if I wish to participate for the full 60-month participation period? Do I have to begin DROP participation immediately when I reach normal retirement or can I defer it to a later date?
- Will I be ready to terminate employment when my DROP participation ends? Will I be ready both financially and emotionally?
- If I need or wish to continue working, will I continue in my current career or change my career focus? Will I work full-time or part-time?

## What forms must I complete for DROP?

You may obtain any of the forms described below from your personnel office, by contacting us, or by visiting the "Forms" page on our website (http://frs.MyFlorida.com). You must file these forms through your employer's human resources office.

#### **Election Form:**

• To participate in DROP during your initial 60-month eligibility period, you must complete Form DP-ELE, Notice of Election to Participate in the DROP and Resignation of Employment, in addition to your application form. Form DP-ELE serves as a postdated resignation, acknowledged by your employer, with the termination date you chose when joining the program.

#### **Application/Option Selection Forms:**

- FRS members must complete Form DP-11, Application for Service Retirement and the Deferred Retirement Option Program.
- TRS members must complete Form DT-11, Application for Service Retirement and the Deferred Retirement Option Program.
- State and County Officers and Employees' Retirement System (SCOERS)
  members must complete Form DS-11, Application for Service Retirement
  and the Deferred Retirement Option Program.
- If you do not select a benefit payment option at the time you file your DROP application, you must also complete and return Form FRS-110, Option Selection (FRS), or Form FST-110, Option Selection (TRS or SCOERS), as appropriate, before your DROP application can be completed.

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#### **Extension Forms:**

- If you choose to participate in DROP for less than the maximum period
  allowable, but decide later that you wish to extend your participation,
  you may be eligible to do so with the approval of your employer and the
  Division. Complete a revised Form DP-ELE and send it to us through
  your human resources office.
- Certain instructional personnel may be authorized to continue participation in DROP for up to an additional 36 months beyond their initial 60-month eligibility period. If employed in an eligible position, you must complete Form DP-EXT, Extension of Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) for Specified K-12 Instructional Personnel. To be authorized for this extended DROP participation, you must be employed in an eligible position at the time you complete your initial 60 months of DROP eligibility and remain employed in an eligible position during your extended DROP participation (see Page 14 for more information). We must receive your completed Form DP-EXT before your initial 60-month participation eligibility period ends.

## When will I decide how to receive my DROP account payout?

Three months before the DROP end date on your Form DP-ELE, we will mail you the necessary forms to choose the distribution method for your DROP account. If you change your termination date, we will send these forms to you immediately if you are within three months of your new termination date. Your new termination date must be within your eligible DROP participation period approved by us. If you terminate prior to the DROP end date specified on your initial DROP application and Form DP-ELE, please call the DROP Termination Unit (see contact information on Page 1).

## ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

### Can I defer or postpone starting DROP?

You may be eligible to defer or postpone the date you begin DROP when you complete 30 years of service (25 years of special risk service for Special Risk Class members) based upon the exceptions listed below. You must elect to join DROP within 12 months beginning with the month you reach your maximum deferral date. During this 12-month period, your total allowable DROP participation decreases by a month for each month you delay your decision. If you do not begin DROP participation within this 12-month period you lose your right to participate in DROP unless you are employed in a position eligible for unlimited DROP deferral.

### **Deferral Exceptions:**

 If you are a member of the Regular Class, Senior Management Service Class, or the Elected Officers' Class, and you complete 30 years of

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service before you reach age 57, you may defer DROP participation and elect to begin at any time between the month after you complete 30 years of service and the month you turn age 57 and still participate for up to 60 months. If you miss that date and wish to participate, you still have 12 months to make the election, but you lose one month of DROP participation for each month you delay after age 57. You are no longer eligible to participate in DROP starting the month you turn age 58. If you are a Special Risk Class member who completes 25 years of special risk service before age 52, you may defer DROP participation and elect to begin DROP at any time up to the month you turn age 52 and still participate for up to 60 months. Your final 12-month election period begins at age 52. Each month you delay joining DROP after age 52 reduces your maximum participation. You are no longer eligible to participate in DROP starting the month you turn age 53.

- If you are an elected officer who will reach your normal retirement date during a term of office, you may defer participation in DROP until your next succeeding term in the same office. You may also participate for the lesser of 60 months or the length of that term of office (see "Note" on Page 9).
- When determining your normal retirement date for DROP eligibility or
  for maximum participation, you may choose to include or exclude any
  optional service you may have purchased (refunded service, leaves of
  absence, out-of-state service, etc.). Any optional service credit you buy
  is always used in your benefit calculation regardless of whether you use
  it to establish your normal retirement date for DROP. Upgraded service
  credit cannot be excluded when determining your normal retirement
  date
- If you have dual normal retirement dates due to employment covered by the Special Risk Class and other employment covered by a different FRS membership class or plan, you are eligible to choose to enter DROP under the rules applicable to either class.
- If your employer considers you to be instructional personnel in grades K-12 as defined in s. 1012.01(2), F.S., at the time of your initial 60-month DROP participation, you may choose to enter DROP at any time after reaching your normal retirement date and still participate for up to 60 months. The maximum deferral to age 57 and the 12-month limitation period to elect DROP participation before losing DROP eligibility do not apply to you.
- If you decide to delay DROP participation because you qualify for a
  deferral exception, you do not need to notify us that you plan to defer
  your DROP participation. To maximize your time in DROP, you must
  apply promptly when your deferral exception date occurs. We will
  accept your application up to six months in advance of your planned
  DROP entry date.

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How can specified K-12 Instructional Personnel extend maximum DROP participation for up to an additional 36 months?

If you work for a school board, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, or a developmental research school, and you are employed in an instructional position as defined in s. 1012.01(2)(a)-(d), F.S., you may be permitted to extend your DROP participation. This extension may be up to an additional 36 months with authorization from your employer and our approval. You must be employed on a contractual basis in an eligible position at the time you complete your initial 60-month eligibility period and remain in an eligible position during your extended DROP participation. Your employer may choose to allow extended DROP participation for shorter periods of time before granting further DROP extensions not to exceed 36 months total.

To extend your DROP participation, you must obtain authorization from your employer and submit your completed *Form DP-EXT* before the end of your initial 60-month participation period. We must approve your completed *Form DP-EXT* and will provide revised DROP account information for approved extended DROP participants. (See Page 11, "What forms must I complete for DROP?" for more information.)

# Can I enroll in DROP if I am on a leave of absence or on Workers' Compensation?

Yes, on or after reaching your normal retirement date (as long as you apply within the 12-month DROP election window as described on Page 5) you can join DROP while on a leave of absence or on Workers' Compensation. Once you return to work as a DROP participant, we **cannot** add any additional salary or service credit to your retirement benefit for that period.

# Can I change my option selection or buy additional service credit while in DROP?

Once your participation in DROP begins, your retirement is final and you cannot add service credit, change retirement options, or change the type of retirement you chose to retire under. You are considered a retiree.

#### May I change employers while in DROP?

Yes, but be careful! If you are off all FRS payrolls for one calendar month while changing employers, your DROP participation ends.

**Note:** You must complete Form DP-ELE showing the dates of participation in DROP with your new employer. Your overall DROP participation with all employers cannot exceed 60 months unless you are employed in an eligible

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position and authorized by your employer. If you change employers and are employed in another eligible position during this period of extended DROP participation, you must also complete a new Form DP-EXT showing the dates of participation in the program with your new employer. In that case, your overall extended participation in DROP with all employers cannot exceed 36 months.

# What if I take another job with an FRS employer (become reemployed) after my DROP participation is over?

DROP participants are considered to be **retired** even though they continue to work for a specified period of time. Once you terminate DROP participation, you are fully retired and subject to termination requirements and reemployment restrictions with FRS participating employers. As FRS retirees, certain reemployment restrictions must be considered.

<u>Important!</u> Before you become reemployed in <u>any</u> capacity with an FRS employer after you retire or terminate DROP participation, contact the Bureau of Retirement Calculations for guidance (see contact information on Page 1). Protect your retirement benefits from unnecessary jeopardy.

For the **first six calendar months** after your DROP termination, you must not have any employment relationship with any FRS employer to meet the definition of termination and avoid cancellation of your retirement and DROP participation. Once you void your DROP participation, you may not be eligible for future DROP participation. This restriction includes being employed by an FRS employer in temporary or other positions that are not covered by the FRS.

If you are employed by **any** FRS employer in any capacity during the **first six** calendar months after your termination:

- · You void your retirement and DROP participation.
- You are required to repay your DROP payout and any monthly benefits you received since your DROP participation ended.
- If you retired from the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) or the State
  and County Officers and Employees' Retirement System (SCOERS), you
  also owe required employee contributions, plus interest, to reestablish
  your membership.
- In addition, if you rolled over your DROP accumulation, you may be subject to federal income tax penalties and surrender charges for withdrawing your DROP accumulation.
- Your new employer is required to pay all required employer contributions, plus interest, to retroactively establish your membership and service credit

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## In the 7th-12th calendar months after your DROP termination date:

There are no exceptions to reemployment limitations. If you are employed by a participating employer in any capacity during this period you must suspend your retirement benefit in any month you receive a salary or wage payments.

<u>Note</u>: Employment with an FRS employer includes any employment with your previous employer or any other FRS employer regardless of whether the employment is covered for retirement.

See *Preparing to Retire* or *After You Retire* for more information. You can view or download these publications from the "Publications" page of our website at **http://frs.MyFlorida.com**. You may request copies from us or your employer's human resources office.

#### How do I change beneficiaries while in DROP?

To change your DROP beneficiary, you must change the beneficiary of your retirement benefit. If you chose option 1 or 2, you may change your beneficiary by completing and returning Form FST-12, Beneficiary Designation for Retired Members

If you chose option 3 or 4, your beneficiary is your joint annuitant who is eligible to receive continuing benefits upon your death. If you wish to change your joint annuitant, you must complete and return *Form JA-1*, *Change of Joint Annuitant*. **You may change your joint annuitant only twice during retirement.** If you change your joint annuitant after retirement, we recalculate your retirement benefit based upon your age at that time and your new joint annuitant's age. To qualify as a joint annuitant, your beneficiary must be:

- Your spouse; or
- Your natural or legally adopted child who is either under age 25 or is
  physically or mentally disabled and incapable of self-support (regardless
  of age); or
- Your parent or grandparent, or a person for whom you are the legal guardian, provided your parent, grandparent, or other such person is financially dependent upon you for one-half or more of his/her support.

If you chose option 3 or 4 and your joint annuitant dies while you are in DROP, you could name a new beneficiary to receive **only** your accumulated DROP benefits in case you die while in the DROP. Use *Form FST-12, Beneficiary Designation for Retired Members,* to make this restrictive beneficiary designation. In that case, your new beneficiary would not have to qualify as a joint annuitant, would not count as one of the two joint annuitant changes allowed by law after retirement, and would not be eligible for a continuing benefit upon your death.

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If your joint annuitant dies while you are in DROP or you become divorced and nullify your joint annuitant, you may use *Form FST-12, Beneficiary Designation for Retired Members*, to name a new beneficiary for your DROP accumulation only (see next question).

# Who is entitled to my DROP benefits if I die while participating in the program?

Except for what is described on Page 18, your FRS, TRS or SCOERS designated beneficiary is eligible to receive your DROP accumulation, and if you chose option 2, 3 or 4, a continuing monthly benefit is also payable, according to the terms of the benefit payment option you selected. (Note, while option 2 guarantees benefits for a 120-month period, that period starts when your DROP participation begins, so monthly benefits would continue to your surviving beneficiary only for any months remaining in that period after your death.)

Survivors of DROP participants are **not** eligible for in-line-of-duty death benefits.

#### Am I guaranteed employment if I am enrolled in DROP?

No, your employment status is not changed by your DROP participation. You may quit your job or your employer may lay you off or terminate you in the same manner as before your DROP participation began.

#### Can I cancel my DROP application?

You can only cancel your DROP application during your first month of DROP participation.

#### How is my DROP participation voided?

If your employer agrees to rescind your previously established DROP termination date, your DROP participation would be voided once you worked in the month following your previously established DROP end date. If this is going to occur, you and your employer should submit Form DP-VOID, Deferred Retirement Option Program Void Form, to the Division. Your retirement membership will be reestablished, as if you did not participate in DROP, and your employer must pay any difference in employer contributions. You must apply to establish a future retirement date.

# If I decide to roll over my DROP accumulation, what are my rollover options?

The law states that rollovers must be paid directly to the custodian of an eligible retirement plan, defined in Section 402(c)(8)(b) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). An eligible retirement plan includes the following plans:

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- An Individual Retirement Account as described in Section 408(a), IRC, which includes a non-designated ROTH IRA.
- An Individual Retirement Annuity as described in Section 408(b), IRC (an annuity set up by an insurance company).
- A Qualified Trust a stock bonus, pension or profit sharing plan of an employer (both defined contribution and defined benefit plans) established in accordance with Section 401(a), 401(k), or 403(b), IRC, for the sole and exclusive benefit of employees or their beneficiaries.
- An Annuity Plan as described in Section 403(a). IRC.
- A deferred compensation account qualified under Section 457, IRC, or an annuity plan qualified under Section 403(b), IRC.

Personal contributions, such as required employee contributions you made prior to 1975 or payments for optional service credit you purchased using after-tax dollars included in your DROP accumulation are paid directly to you, instead of being rolled as a tax-free, lump-sum payment, as computed using the Simplified Method under the Internal Revenue Code. This portion of your benefit represents your after-tax contributions that cannot be rolled over into a tax-sheltered account. See IRS Publication 575 for more information about the Simplified Method. If you die while participating in DROP, and your spouse is named as your beneficiary, he or she may receive a distribution of your account proceeds after your death as described in Section 402(c)(9), IRC.

# Do I have the option to roll over my DROP accumulation to a different eligible plan after the Division has rolled it over to the eligible retirement plan I initially selected?

Contact the custodian of the eligible plan that received your DROP rollover to discuss a subsequent rollover to another eligible plan.

# If I become divorced after joining DROP and I chose option 3 or option 4, may I remove my ex-spouse as my beneficiary?

Yes, you may nullify your joint annuitant by completing Form JA-NUL, Joint Annuitant Nullification unless a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO) prevents such an action. The effective date of the change will be the first of the month after we receive this form. Be aware that, if you chose option 4 when you entered DROP, your benefit will be reduced by one-third at the time this change becomes effective (the same as if your spouse had died before you).

#### How would a QDRO affect my DROP accumulation?

If you are divorced and have an approved QDRO on your FRS retirement account, your monthly benefit accumulating in DROP is subject to the monthly deduction amount stated in the order, unless it addresses and specifically

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excludes DROP accumulations from such deduction. If your QDRO requires a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to the deduction amount, the adjustment will be reflected in the amount deducted from your monthly benefit. The amount distributed to your former spouse at the end of your DROP participation will be the accumulation of the monthly deductions (including COLA if applicable), plus interest, during your period of DROP participation. We will deduct this amount from your total DROP accumulation.

### What if I become disabled while participating in DROP?

If you become disabled while in DROP and terminate employment, you will begin to receive the monthly retirement benefit determined when you retired and began DROP, including any COLA increases, plus your DROP accumulation up to the point of your termination. You will **not** be eligible to change your type of retirement from a service retirement to a disability retirement.

# Am I eligible to receive the Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program benefit while I am in DROP?

You cannot receive an HIS benefit while participating in DROP and you cannot receive additional service credit toward your HIS for DROP participation. After your DROP participation ends and about the same time you receive your first monthly benefit, you will receive a packet of information from us. That packet includes a *Health Insurance Subsidy Certification Form, HIS-1*, which you must complete and return. After we receive your completed *Form HIS-1*, we will evaluate your eligibility. If you are approved, HIS benefits will be added to your retirement benefit each month. In addition, you will receive HIS benefits retroactive to the month after your DROP participation ended or up to a maximum of six months of retroactive benefits.

#### Am I covered for Social Security while participating in DROP?

Yes, provided your retirement plan included Social Security coverage before you elected to retire and participate in DROP. If you plan to work and participate in DROP past age 65, ask your human resources officer or contact the Social Security Administration about enrolling in Medicare when you reach age 65, even if you will not begin receiving Social Security benefits until you terminate employment. If you are late enrolling in Medicare, you may have to pay higher premiums.

Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP)

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### **Retirement Enhancement Program Policy**

#### Overview

Voluntary separation/retirement programs are used by organizations that wish to enter into a mutually beneficial separation agreement with employees during times when the institution faces significant reductions in the budget. These programs allow for a smooth exit for those employees electing this option while enabling the organization to reduce the recurring salary expenditure. Enrollment is voluntary and is available to employees who qualify based on eligibility requirements. The program provides a separation incentive payment to the employee.

#### **Objective**

This procedure will assist the University in the facilitation of a voluntary retirement enhancement program for eligible employees, providing them an attractive option for early separation or retirement while helping to meet the University's budget reduction plan.

## **Program Outline**

## I. Eligibility

An employee must meet the following requirements to be eligible for the Retirement Enhancement Program.

- 1. Age 65 or older, as of June 30, 2010, and
- 2. Six or more years of active, continuous, creditable service in a faculty or staff benefits eligible position with the University of Florida as of November 23, 2009.

### II. Exclusions

The following employees are excluded from participating in the Retirement Enhancement Program:

- 1. Employees who are participating in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP).
- 2. Employees who have previously retired from the University of Florida.
- 3. Employees who have entered into an agreement with a predetermined employment end date prior to the program implementation start date (October 1, 2009).
- 4. Any employee who has received notice of termination, notice of non-renewal or cancellation of his or her employment.
- 5. OPS/temporary employees.

### III. Program Details

- 1. Enrollment Period
  - The enrollment period will run from October 1, 2009 through January 8, 2010.
- 2. Enrollment Process
  - In order to complete the enrollment process, the employee must perform the following:
    - a. Submit a completed enrollment form to Retirement Services, Human Resource Services, 903 West University Avenue, Gainesville Florida 32601 by 5:30
       P.M. on or before January 8, 2010.

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- b. Submit a signed letter to his or her supervisor on or before January 8, 2010, indicating the planned separation date with a copy to Human Resource Services. The employee separation date must be on or before June 30, 2010.
- c. Complete a Separation Agreement form and return a signed copy to Human Resource Services by 5:30 P.M. on or before January 8, 2010.

### 3. Separation Agreement

Any employee participating in the Retirement Enhancement Program must sign a Separation Agreement form releasing the University from any potential liability. This agreement must be submitted to Human Resource Services on or before January 8, 2010.

### 4. Separation Process

The department must complete the exit checklist which may be found online at: <a href="http://www.hr.ufl.edu/emp\_relations/forms/exit\_checklist.pdf">http://www.hr.ufl.edu/emp\_relations/forms/exit\_checklist.pdf</a>. In addition, the department is responsible for processing an ePAF for the employee's separation and any applicable leave payments after separation in accordance with applicable University policies and procedures.

The employee does not have to formally retire from the University; however his or her separation date from the University must be on or before June 30, 2010. The employee does need to perform the following:

- a. Resolve the payment of any outstanding debts, including wage overpayments, owed to the University before his or her last date of employment.
- b. Return all UF property before his or her last date of employment.

### 5. Separation Incentive Payment (Lump-Sum)

The lump-sum payment will be determined as follows:

- a. For 9 and 10-month faculty and staff, the lump-sum payment will be equivalent to the current base annual salary and FTE of the employee, less applicable employment taxes and deductions.
- b. For 12-month faculty and staff, the lump-sum payment will be equivalent to the current base annual salary and FTE of the employee, less applicable employment taxes and deductions.

No retirement contribution will be made by the University on the Separation Incentive Payment (SIP). The SIP will also not include any health insurance or other employer paid benefit.

Subsequent to the separation from the University, the employee will receive a vacation and/or sick leave payment in accordance with applicable University regulations and policies and Collective Bargaining Agreements that are in place on the date of separation.

## 6. Employment Restrictions

An employee participating in the Retirement Enhancement Program is prohibited from being rehired into a salaried/benefits eligible faculty or staff position. A participant may be rehired in a temporary, non-benefit eligible capacity such as OPS or adjunct faculty with the approval of the appropriate Vice President over the area and the Vice President for Human Resource Services.



#### University of Florida Retirement Enhancement Program

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### 1. What is the Retirement Enhancement Program?

It is a program offered to eligible faculty and staff that provides an incentive payment for employees if they elect to separate from the University of Florida within the 2009-10 fiscal year. Enrollment in the program is voluntary and is available to employees who qualify based on the specific eligibility requirements outlined in the enclosed policy.

#### 2. When can I take advantage of the program?

You may enroll beginning October 1, 2009. The deadline for completion of the enrollment form and the Separation Agreement is January 8, 2010.

#### 3. Do I need to actually retire from the University to participate in the program?

No, but you must separate from the University on or before June 30, 2010.

#### 4. What is the earliest date that I can separate from the University as part of this program?

The earliest date that you can separate under this plan is November 23, 2009 or eight days after you sign the Separation Agreement, whichever is later.

# 5. What payment(s) will the employee receive upon separating from the University through the Retirement Enhancement Program?

The payment(s) will be determined as follows:

- a. For 9 and 10-month Faculty and Staff, the separation incentive payment will be equivalent to the current 9 or 10-month base salary, less applicable employment taxes and deductions. For 12-month Faculty and Staff, the separation incentive payment will be equivalent to the current 12-month base salary, less applicable employment taxes and deductions. This payment will be subject to any Collective Bargaining Agreements in place as of the employee separation date.
- b. The employee may also receive vacation and/or sick leave payout in accordance with University regulations and policies and any Collective Bargaining Agreements in place as of the employee separation date. If applicable, the employee will receive the vacation and/or sick leave payout subsequent to separation from the University.

# 6. What are the tax implications of the incentive payment for the Retirement Enhancement Program?

The separation incentive payment will be considered ordinary income and wages for tax purposes, and you will pay the applicable FICA and Federal income tax withholding on that amount. If you choose to defer a portion of the separation incentive payment into a 403(b) or 457 retirement plan through payroll deduction, the University will not withhold Federal income tax on this amount. You will, however, pay FICA taxes, if you have not reached your maximum wage base earnings for the calendar year in which you receive the payment from the University.

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#### 7. May I defer a portion or all of the lump sum payment money?

Yes, you may defer up to the 402(g) and 415 annual limits for the calendar year to a 403(b) and/or a 457 account. The limits may be found online at :

http://www.hr.ufl.edu/retirement/voluntary/annuities.asp#limits

#### 8. When will I receive my salary incentive payment?

You will receive your payment within 30 days of your separation date.

# 9. Will my participation in the Retirement Enhancement Program impact my payment for unused leave?

No, any payment of unused sick and/or vacation leave that you would otherwise be eligible to receive will be handled using the policy and process in place as of the employee separation date. This process can be found via the following web site:

http://www.hr.ufl.edu/retirement/other/specialpayplan.asp#rspp

# 10. Can an employee who separates from the University through the Retirement Enhancement Program be rehired by the University?

Under certain circumstances, and with the approval of the appropriate Vice President over the area and the Vice President for Human Resource Services, a participant may be rehired in a temporary non-benefit eligible position such as OPS or Adjunct Faculty. Please note that the Florida Retirement System has limitations related to the rehiring of retirees. Additional information may be found under FRS Legislation Update via <a href="http://www.hr.ufl.edu/infogator/2009/july/expanded.htm#frs">http://www.hr.ufl.edu/infogator/2009/july/expanded.htm#frs</a>

# 11. Can I change my mind once I complete the enrollment form and sign the Separation Agreement?

Yes. You will have seven days from the date you sign the Separation Agreement to revoke your decision. You must submit the revocation in writing to Retirement Services in Human Resource Services within seven days of that date.

# 12. Do I need to take any action if I do $\underline{not}$ want to enroll in the Retirement Enhancement Program?

No. An eligible employee that does not complete and submit the required forms by the deadline of January 8, 2010, will be considered to have declined participation in the program.

# 13. If I voluntarily or involuntarily separate from the University before my agreed upon separation date, will I still be eligible for the separation incentive payment?

No. If you leave the University for any reason before the agreed upon separation date, you will not be entitled to the incentive payment.

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September 22, 2009

#### MEMORANDUM

To: Vice Presidents and Deans

Paula Varnes Fussell, Vice President for Human Resource Services  $\operatorname{\mathcal{P}}_{\operatorname{U}}$ From:

Subject: UF Retirement Enhancement Program

As you know, the University experienced a budget reduction of more than \$72 million in recurring funds for the fiscal year 2009-2010. The final budget reduction plan, which began July 1, 2009, was approved by the Board of Trustees in May. This plan included \$30.6 million in specific cuts plus additional cuts to come from administrative and university-wide initiatives, as well as other yet to be identified reductions.

Over the summer, several university-wide initiatives which could be used to cover the budget reductions were reviewed. A voluntary retirement program emerged as a potential initiative for consideration. As a result, we are launching a Retirement Enhancement Program for eligible faculty and staff, beginning this fall. This program allows eligible employees to consider an additional option for separating from the University. Enrollment in the program is voluntary and is available to employees who meet the specific eligibility requirements outlined in the enclosed policy. As an incentive, the program will provide a lump-sum payment of one-year of their current annual base salary (less applicable employment taxes and deductions) upon separation.

The following information is being provided to assist you with this program. Please review and become familiar with the eligibility criteria and the program guidelines and restrictions.

- Retirement Enhancement Program Policy
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Employee notification letter
- Sample enrollment form
- Separation Agreement

We have also prepared the enclosed list of faculty and/or staff in your area who appear to be eligible for enrollment in the program. Please notify Human Resource Services immediately if you have questions about the eligibility of any employee on the list. Human Resource Services will begin notifying these employees of their eligibility for the program by mail within the next few days. The ability for in-unit faculty and staff to participate in this program is contingent upon reaching agreement with the appropriate unions. At this time, we do not have agreement

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from UFF regarding the ability to offer this program to in-unit faculty. We hope that they will agree in the near future.

Human Resource Services will notify you if any of the eligible employees in your area elect to enroll in the program so that you may coordinate their resignation dates with them as well as any other logistics regarding their separation from the University.

Please share this information with the appropriate individuals in your area. If you have any questions about the Retirement Enhancement Program, please contact me at (352) 392-1075 or <a href="mailto:pvarnes@ufl.edu">pvarnes@ufl.edu</a> or Mary Alice Albritton at (352) 273-1798 or <a href="mailto:maryal@ufl.edu">maryal@ufl.edu</a>.

Enclosures

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**Enrollment Form** 

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# University of Florida Retirement Enhancement Program Enrollment Form Enrollment Period ends January 8, 2010

Enrollment Period ends Jan	nuary 8, 2010
To enroll in the program, you must submit a completed enr Human Resource Services, PO Box 115005, Gainesville Fl responsibility to ensure that this form is received by Human January 8, 2010.	orida 32611. It is the employee's
Employee Name:	
Employee UF ID:	College:
Job Title:	Email address:
Work Telephone:	Home Telephone:
Department name:	
Supervisor Name:	
I understand that: *  1. As of June 30, 2010, I must be at least 65 years of ag 2. As of November 23, 2009, I must have at least six ye in an eligible position with the University of Florida. 3. My enrollment in this program is voluntary.  Employee's Signature:	ars of active, continuous, creditable service
Eligibility Certification:(Eligibility Certification to be completed by Human Resource	
*Please note that to qualify for the program, an employee mu (with a copy to Human Resource Services) by January 8, 201 University. The date the employee agrees to separate from tl 2010. A signed Separation Agreement form must also be sub before January 8, 2010.	0, of his or her intention to separate from the the University must be on or before June 30,

Eligible Employee Notification Letter http://web.uflib.ufl.edu/pers/EmployeeNotification\_letter.docx



#### **Eligible Employee Notification Letter**

September 24, 2009

Dear UF Colleague:

I am writing to inform you that you may be eligible for a special Retirement Enhancement Program at the University of Florida. This program provides an attractive incentive for employees to consider if they elect to separate from the University of Florida on or before June 30, 2010. Enrollment in the program is voluntary and is available to employees who qualify based on the specific eligibility requirements outlined in the enclosed policy.

As an eligible employee, I encourage you to read the enclosed information carefully so you can determine if this program is a viable option for you. Please note there is a limited window of opportunity to take advantage of this program since the enrollment period for the program ends on Friday, January 8, 2010. In addition, we anticipate that this program will not be offered in subsequent years.

Enclosed is a copy of the program policy details and a frequently asked questions document that I hope will assist you with your decision. In addition, we will be offering information sessions regarding this program on the following dates:

10/1/09 2-4 p.m. Brain Institute LG101A (DeWeese Auditorium)

10/9/09 2-4 p.m. Human Resource Services Training Room 120

10/20/09 2-4 p.m. J. Wayne Reitz Union Room 287

If you elect to enroll in this program, please complete the enclosed enrollment and separation agreement forms and send them to Human Resource Services on or before 5:30 P.M Friday, January 8, 2010.

If you have questions about the Retirement Enhancement Program, including retirement options, please contact University Retirement at (352) 392-2477 or <a href="mailto:retirement@ufl.edu">retirement@ufl.edu</a>.

Sincerely,

Paula Varnes Fussell

Vice President for Human Resource Services

Enclosures: Program Policy

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Frequently Asked Questions

**Enrollment Form** 

Separation Agreement Form

Exhibit A: Age Discrimination in Employment Act Disclosure

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# UF Retirement Enhancement Program Separation Agreement and Release

This Agreement and Release is between the University of Florida Board of Trustees (UF) and the undersigned employee, the Parties to this Agreement and Release. For and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants expressed herein:

- 1) On or before October 1, 2009, UF notified me that I was eligible to enroll in the UF Retirement Enhancement Program (the "Program"). I acknowledge receipt of the description of the Program, and I understand the benefits available through the Program. In a timely manner, I voluntarily enrolled in the Program. The acceptance of my Enrollment Form and my participation in the Program are conditioned upon my execution of this Agreement and Release. I hereby voluntarily execute, and freely deliver this Agreement and Release to UF. In consideration of the benefits I will receive, as outlined in paragraph 4 of this Agreement and Release, I hereby agree to be bound by all of the terms of this Agreement and Release.
- 3) In consideration for my voluntary decision to resign, which is further evidenced by the release and waiver included in paragraph 5 below, UF shall make the Separation Incentive payment described in paragraph 4 below.
- 4) UF shall make a Separation Incentive Payment (SIP) in the amount of one year of my current base annual salary, less applicable taxes and deductions. My acceptance of the SIP payment shall constitute my acceptance of the accuracy of the calculation of the amount of the SIP payment. This payment will be made by depositing the SIP check with the U.S. postal service (addressed to my address set forth below my signature) or making a direct deposit to the account where my paychecks are deposited, no later than four weeks after the Separation Date. The SIP payment will have no effect on the calculation of my retirement benefits.
- 5) This Agreement and Release are entered into voluntarily at a time of budget reductions and not in response to any matter between the Parties. As consideration for the SIP payment provided for in this Agreement and Release, I on behalf of myself and my heirs, executors, attorneys, administrators, and assigns, hereby release, acquit, remise and forever discharge all of the past, present and future trustees, officers, employees, agents, members, servants, public officials, independent contractors, insurers, benefits plans, third party administrators, attorneys and legal representatives of the University of

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Florida Board of Trustees and the Florida Board of Governors from all claims; demands: expenses; costs; attorneys and expert fees; causes of action; recoveries; relief; penalties; direct, special, exemplary, punitive, liquidated, consequential and all other monetary or other damages whatsoever; and liabilities of every kind and on any basis whatsoever, and waive all of my rights of every kind and on any basis whatsoever, whether known or unknown, fixed or contingent, direct or indirect, based on or arising under contracts, tort (of negligence, intent, or other), common law, equity, statute, regulation, constitution, strict or special liability, warranty or on any other basis, or of any other kind, that I have or may have as of or through the date of execution of this Agreement and Release (collectively and individually "Claims"). These released and waived Claims include but are not limited to claims arising under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. Section 621 et seq., as amended by the Older Worker's Benefit Protection Act of 1990 or any other federal or state law relating to discrimination in employment based upon age; the Family and Medical Leave Act; the Equal Pay Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Rehabilitation Act; Florida and Federal Civil Rights Acts; False Claims Act; and the Fair Labor Standards Act. I understand that nothing in this Agreement and Release prevents me from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any proceeding before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or a state or local fair employment practices agency, but I acknowledge I may not recover monetary damages in connection with any such claim, charge, or proceeding. I do not release any claim, demand, or cause of action that may arise after the date of execution of this Agreement and Release or that law absolutely prohibits me to even voluntarily waive.

Upon entering into this Agreement and Release, I waive the right to any future reemployment by UF and to participate in any phased retirement program.

- 6) I acknowledge that I have sixty-days beginning October 1, 2009 and ending at 5:30 pm on January 8, 2010, to consider whether or not to enter into this Agreement and Release.
- 7) If I do not enter into this Agreement and Release by signing and returning it to Retirement Services in Human Resource Services, PO Box 115005, 903 West University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32611 by 5:30 pm on January 8, 2010, the offer to participate in the Program will expire and I will no longer have the opportunity to enter into this Agreement and Release or to participate in the Program.
- 8) I understand that I may revoke this Agreement and Release until seven (7) days after I execute this Agreement and Release—but only as provided in this paragraph. To revoke this Agreement and Release, I must deliver to Retirement Services in Human Resource Services, PO Box 115005, 903 West University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32611, on or before 5:30 P.M. of the seventh calendar day after the day on which I execute this Agreement and Release, my written notice that I am revoking this Agreement and

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Release. If I enter into and do not timely revoke this Agreement and Release in the manner provided in this paragraph 8, this Agreement and Release will remain in effect.

- 9) The terms of this Agreement and Release shall be construed and governed according to the laws of the State of Florida for all purposes, without giving effect to any Florida law governing choice of law.
- 10) This Agreement and Release may not be amended or terminated except by an instrument in writing executed by the Parties hereto or their authorized representatives. Its provisions are severable. If any part of this Agreement and Release is found to be unenforceable, the remainder of the Agreement and Release will continue to be valid and effective, except that the payment made under paragraph 4 shall not be owed unless the release and waiver in paragraph 5 are enforceable. The release and waiver are central consideration for the payment.
- 11) This Agreement and Release is not assignable.
- 12) This Agreement and Release constitutes the sole and exclusive agreement of the Parties with respect to the subject matter addressed and supersedes any prior or simultaneous written or oral understandings or agreements respecting the subject matter addressed. Forbearance or indulgence by any party in any regard shall not constitute a waiver of any term or provision of this Agreement and Release. No waiver shall be binding unless it is specific and executed in writing by the Party making the waiver.
- 13) This Agreement and Release shall become effective the first business day following the revocation period described in paragraph 8, unless I revoke this Agreement and Release in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 8.
- 14) I acknowledge and reaffirm my obligation to return all UF property and records and to keep confidential all non-public information concerning students, employees, patients, research, and other matters at UF that I acquired during the course of my employment with UF, including without limitation the obligations of confidentiality set forth in UF's Intellectual Property Policy. I also confirm that I have kept intact and returned to UF all electronic records.
- 15) I agree that after my resignation from UF, I will provide UF all reasonable cooperation to assist in transitioning my job duties and to assist in any legal or administrative matters relevant to me or for which I may have knowledge. I will perform any other transition tasks as reasonably requested by UF.
- 16) I affirm that: (a) the only consideration for signing this Agreement and Release is set forth above in Paragraph 4, (b) no other promise, representation, or agreement of any kind has been made by any person or entity to cause or induce me to sign this Agreement and Release, (c) I fully understand the meaning of this Agreement and

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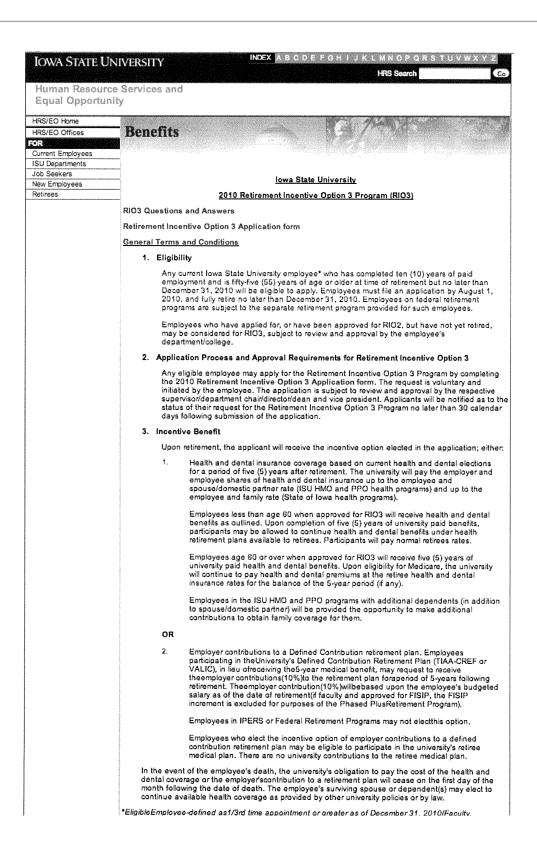
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Release, including its final and binding effect, and freely and voluntarily assent to all of the terms and conditions hereof, and (d) I sign my name of my own free act. I state and represent that I have had an opportunity to fully discuss and review the terms of this Agreement and Release, including Exhibit I, with an attorney of my choosing.

- 17) I acknowledge that I have been given a schedule of (i) all classes, units, or groups of individuals eligible for this Program, any eligibility factors for this Program, and any time limits applicable to this Program; (ii) the job titles and ages of all individuals eligible or selected for this Program, and (iii) the ages of all individuals in the same job classification or organizational unit who are not eligible or who were not selected for this Program. This schedule is incorporated in Exhibit A to this Agreement and Release.
- 18) I also acknowledge that I have been advised in writing by UF to consult with an attorney in regard to whether to enter into this Agreement and Release. I acknowledge and understand that I have had at least 45 days from the date (indicated in paragraph 1) on which this Agreement and Release was delivered to me, to consider whether to sign this Agreement and Release. If I sign this Agreement and Release, whether or not before the expiration of those 45 days, it is because I freely choose to do so.
- 19) Finally, as described in more detail in paragraph 8, I have 7 days from the date I sign this Agreement and Release to change my mind and revoke this Agreement and Release, upon which event I will be excluded from the Program and will be ineligible for any benefits provided under the Program. I understand and agree that by entering into this Agreement and Release I am releasing and waiving any and all rights and claims I might have under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, as amended by the Older Workers Benefit Protection Act, and that I have received consideration beyond that to which I was previously entitled.

Employee:		
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# 2010 Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program http://www.hrs.iastate.edu/hrs/node/432



#### **General Terms and Conditions**

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#### **Iowa State University**

#### 2010 Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program (RIO3)

#### General Terms and Conditions

#### 1. Eligibility

Any current Iowa State University employee\* who has completed ten (10) years of paid employment and is fifty-five (55) years of age or older at time of retirement but no later than December 31, 2010 will be eligible to apply. Employees must file an application by August 1, 2010, and fully retire no later than December 31, 2010. Employees on federal retirement programs are subject to the separate retirement program provided for such employees.

Employees who have applied for, or have been approved for RIO2, but have not yet retired, may be considered for RIO3, subject to review and approval by the employee's department/college.

#### 2. Application Process and Approval Requirements for Retirement Incentive Option 3

Any eligible employee may apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program by completing the 2010 Retirement Incentive Option 3 Application form. The request is voluntary and initiated by the employee. The application is subject to review and approval by the respective supervisor/department chair/director/dean and vice president. Applicants will be notified as to the status of their request for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program no later than 30 calendar days following submission of the application.

#### 3. Incentive Benefit

Upon retirement, the applicant will receive the incentive option elected in the application; either:

Health and dental insurance coverage based on current health and dental elections for a period of five (5)
years after retirement. The university will pay the employer and employee shares of health and dental
insurance up to the employee and spouse/domestic partner rate (ISU HMO and PPO health programs) and
up to the employee and family rate (State of Iowa health programs).

Employees less than age 60 when approved for RIO3 will receive health and dental benefits as outlined. Upon completion of five (5) years of university paid benefits, participants may be allowed to continue health and dental benefits under health retirement plans available to retirees. Participants will pay normal retirees rates.

Employees age 60 or over when approved for RIO3 will receive five (5) years of university paid health and dental benefits. Upon eligibility for Medicare, the university will continue to pay health and dental premiums at the retiree health and dental insurance rates for the balance of the 5-year period (if any).

Employees in the ISU HMO and PPO programs with additional dependents (in addition to spouse/domestic partner) will be provided the opportunity to make additional contributions to obtain family coverage for them.

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2.	Employer contributions to a Defined Contribution retirement plan. Employees participating in the University's Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (TIAA-CREF or VALIC), in lieu of receiving the 5-year medical benefit, may request to receive the employer contributions (10%) to the retirement plan for a period of 5-years following retirement. The employer contribution (10%) will be based upon the employee's budgeted salary as of the date of retirement (if faculty and approved for FISIP, the FISIP increment is excluded for purposes of the Phased Plus Retirement Program).
	Employees in IPERS or Federal Retirement Programs may not elect this option.
	Employees who elect the incentive option of employer contributions to a defined contribution retirement plan may be eligible to participate in the university's retiree medical plan. There are no university contributions to the retiree medical plan.
the	the event of the employee's death, the university's obligation to pay the cost of the health and dental verage or the employer's contribution to a retirement plan will cease on the first day of the month following a date of death. The employee's surviving spouse or dependent(s) may elect to continue available health verage as provided by other university policies or by law.
	<u>yee</u> – defined as 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> time appointment or greater as of December 31, 2010 (Faculty, Professional and Scientific and rit) or 1/2 time appointment (Non-Supervisory Merit).

**Questions and Answers** 

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# Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program (RIO3) Questions and Answers

#### **Questions on Eligibility**

Q1 What are the general provisions of the Retirement Incentive Option 3 (RIO3) program?

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- The Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program will provide approved applicants with a choice of either 5 years of employer-paid health and dental coverage, or 5 years of employer contributions to the defined contribution retirement plan (TIAA-CREF or VALIC).
- RIO3 is available to current ISU employees with 10 years of paid employment (on or before December 31, 2010) and who are age 55 or older (on or before December 31, 2010). There is a separate eligibility requirement for Extension employees on federal retirement programs.
- The last day to apply for RIO3 is August 1, 2010.
- Eligible employees approved for the program will need to fully retire no later than December 31, 2010.
- An eligible employee is defined as 1/3<sup>rd</sup> time appointment or greater as of December 31, 2010 (Faculty, Professional and Scientific and Supervisory Merit) or ½ time appointment (Non-Supervisory Merit).

Q2 Am I eligible for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

A2

You will be eligible to apply if you are age 55 or older on or before December 31, 2010 and have 10 years of paid employment as an Iowa State employee on or before December 31, 2010. Ten years of paid employment needs to be as a Faculty, Professional and Scientific, Supervisory Merit, or Non-Supervisory Merit employee.

Q3 Do my years of paid employment need to be consecutive?

А3

No. However you must have a total of 10 years of paid employment at Iowa State University to be eligible.

Q4 I am currently approved under the Retirement Incentive Option 2 Program. Can I elect to participate in the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program instead?

A4

You should have a conversation with your college/department if you are currently approved for RIO2, but have not yet retired. All requests for retirement are subject to college/department approval.

If you have already fully retired under a previous retirement incentive program, you are not eligible for consideration under RIO3.

Q5 If I elect and am approved for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program, when do I have to retire?

Α5

If you apply and are approved for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program, you will need to fully retire no later than December 31, 2010.

# Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program (RIO3) Questions and Answers

## Q6 I turn age 55 before December 31, 2010. Can I apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

A6 Yes. You will be eligible to apply if you are age 55 or older on or before December 31, 2010 and have 10 years of paid employment as an Iowa State employee on or before December 31, 2010. Ten years of paid employment needs to be as a Faculty, Professional and Scientific, Supervisory Merit, or Non-Supervisory Merit employee.

#### Q7 Will this incentive program be on-going?

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No. The Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program is available for a limited time. You must apply by August 1, 2010 and if approved retire no later than December 31, 2010.

## Q8 I'm currently participating in the existing Board of Regents Phased Retirement Program. Can I apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

A8 Employees currently on the Board of Regents Phased Retirement Program can apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program. If approved, your current participation in Phased Retirement will terminate.

## Q9 I'm an Extension employee on a Federal Retirement Program. Can I apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

Yes. Eligible Extension employees on Federal Retirement Programs can participate. However, Extension employees will only have the incentive option of five years of health and dental insurance coverage. Employer contributions to a federal retirement plan will not be available.

## Q10 If I apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program, can I rescind my request at a later date?

A10 The request and approval are binding once they have been approved.

#### **Questions on Applying for Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program**

## Q11 What is the last date that I can apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

A11 The last day to apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program is August 1, 2010.

## What is the process to apply for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program? You will need to complete an application form that is available on the

You will need to complete an application form that is available on the Human Resources Benefits web site. Complete the application and return it to your college/department.

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## Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program (RIO3) Questions and Answers

Q13 If I apply for RIO3, is my request to retire subject to approval?

A13

An application for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program is subject to review and approval by your department chair/director and your dean or vice president.

Q14 How will I be notified if my application is approved?

A14

You should receive a communication regarding the status of your application within 30 days of submitting.

If your application is approved, you will receive a confirmation letter from Human Resource Services along with a copy of your application. The letter will outline ISU's commitment for either five years of health and dental insurance coverage paid by the university, or five years of employer contributions to a defined contribution retirement plan.

If your application is not approved, you will be notified by your college or department.

#### **Questions on Benefits**

Q15 If I elect and am approved for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program, what benefits will I receive?

A15

Upon retirement, you will receive one of two incentives based upon the election in your application:

1. University-paid health and dental insurance coverage based on current health and dental elections as of the date your application for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Application is approved for a period of five (5) years after retirement. The university will pay the employer and employee shares of health and dental insurance up to the employee and spouse/domestic partner rate (ISU HMO and PPO health programs) and up to the employee and family rate (State of Iowa health programs). If and when an employee is eligible for Medicare, the university will continue to pay health and dental premiums at the retiree health and dental insurance rates for the balance of the 5-year period (if any). If you are an employee in the ISU HMO or PPO program with additional dependents (in addition to spouse/domestic partner) you will be provided the opportunity to make additional contributions to obtain family coverage for them.

<u>OR</u>

 Employer contributions to a defined contribution retirement plan for five (5) years after the date of retirement. Employees participating in the University's Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (TIAA-

## Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program (RIO3) Questions and Answers

CREF or VALIC), in lieu of receiving the 5-year health and dental insurance coverage incentive, may request to receive the employer contributions (10%) to the retirement plan for a period of 5-years following retirement. The employer contribution (10%) will be based upon the employee's budgeted salary as of the date of retirement (if faculty and approved for FISIP, the FISIP increment is excluded for purposes of the Phased Plus Retirement Program).

Note: the option for retirement contributions is not available to employees enrolled in IPERS or Federal Retirement Programs.

In the event of the employee's death, the university's obligation to pay the cost of the health and dental coverage or the employer's contribution to a retirement plan will cease on the first day of the month following the date of death. The employee's surviving spouse or dependent(s) may elect to continue available health coverage as provided by other university policies or by law.

Q16 I currently have IPERS as my retirement plan. Can I elect the incentive option of five (5) years of university contributions to my retirement plan?

A16

No. IPERS is a defined benefit retirement plan that does not permit the university to provide this incentive option. You must currently be a participant in the defined contribution retirement plan (TIAA-CREF or VALIC) to elect this option.

Q17 If I elect the five (5) years of university contributions to my defined contribution retirement plan, will I have access to my retirement funds when I retire even though I'm still receiving monthly employer contributions?

A17 Yes. You will have access to your retirement plan funds. You should visit with TIAA-CREF to understand your options for taking distributions.

Q18 Can I elect to change the retirement incentive option I elected during the five (5) years?

A18

No. You will be required to choose either the five (5) years of university-paid health and dental insurance coverage or five (5) years of university contributions to a defined contribution retirement plan at the time of your application. Your election may not be changed once approved.

Q19 If I elect the incentive option of 5 years of university contributions to a defined contribution retirement plan, will I still be able to participate in health benefit plans offered to current ISU retirees?

A19

If you otherwise meet the eligibility requirements to participate in health and dental insurance coverage plans offered to ISU retirees, you would be able to participate. Note that the university does not contribute towards the

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cost of health and dental plans for retirees – you would be responsible for the entire premium.

## Q20 Can I make changes to my medical or dental insurance coverage at the time I retire under an approved Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

A20

If you elected the five years of medical and dental insurance coverage as your incentive, your opportunity to elect different health coverage and/or dental in future years will occur during the annual Open Change period. If you make a change to your elections, you will be responsible for any additional premiums related to the change (if any). You may also change benefit elections in the event of an eligible change in family status at your cost. The ISU Benefits office can provide assistance with family status changes.

Remember: Benefit changes elected during Open Change in the fall are not effective until the following January 1 for non-supervisory merit employees or the following February 1 for Faculty, P&S, and Supervisory Merit employees. The university's contribution for health and dental insurance coverage is based on your current benefit elections.

# Q21 I elected the health and dental insurance incentive option and am currently on an HMO plan but plan to move out of the state of Iowa sometime after I retire. How am I impacted?

A21

HMO plans (Wellmark's Blue Advantage or Blue Access) are only available for residents of Iowa or South Dakota. If you move out of the states of Iowa or South Dakota, your medical plan will switch to one of the PPO plans available to you. You will be responsible for any difference in the premiums due to the change in medical plans.

Dental plans are not impacted by a change in your residence.

## Q22 After I have been retired for 5 years, what are my options for health and dental coverage if I elected the health and dental insurance incentive option?

A22

After you have participated in the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program for 5 years, you will be allowed to participate in health and dental benefits available to retirees at the time your participation in RIO3 ends. You will be responsible for premium payments in the same manner as existing retirees.

Q23 I elected the health and dental insurance coverage incentive option and will be younger than age 60 when I retire. The University is only providing for 5 years of medical and dental coverage so I will have a gap for medical coverage until I am eligible for Medicare (typically age 65). What are my options?

A23 After your 5 years of University provided health and/or dental coverage end,

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# Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program (RIO3) Questions and Answers

you will be eligible to participate in the ISU Retiree health and dental programs at the costs currently in place for retirees. You should discuss options with the ISU Benefits staff prior to the end of the 5 years of University provided coverage.

Q24 I have dependents and elected the health and dental insurance coverage incentive option. Can they be covered if I elect the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

Yes. Eligible dependents can continue to be covered for health and dental benefits in the same manner as other active ISU employees. If you have dependents other than a spouse/partner, you may be required to pay the difference in premiums.

Q25 I'm age 64 now, what happens to my coverage when I turn 65 if I elect the health and dental insurance coverage incentive option?

When you or a dependent spouse/partner attain age 65, the ISU contribution for medical insurance coverage will change to the Medicare rate and Medicare will be the primary coverage with the ISU plan as supplemental coverage.

**Please Note** — when you or your spouse/partner turn age 65, you must enroll in Medicare Parts A&B. Medicare Part A is for hospitalization coverage and is at no cost to you. Medicare Part B is for clinic and outpatient benefits and does require a contribution to Medicare by you. The Retirement Incentive Option agreement does not cover the cost of Medicare Part B.

You should not elect a Medicare Part D plan for pharmacy. The current medical plans include prescription drug coverage that is considered "creditable coverage" by Medicare. While you are on the incentive, you will continue on the prescription drug plan that you had as an active employee. Prior to the 5-year incentive ending, you will be provided information on enrolling in the Medicare Part D plan required for the medical plan you continue after the incentive ends. Contact the ISU Benefits Office for details.

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# Q26 I'm already age 65 and have elected the health and dental insurance coverage incentive option. How will I be impacted for health coverage in retirement?

A26

You will get the benefits mentioned in Q18. You should already have signed up for Medicare Part A coverage. At the time of retirement, you must sign up for Medicare Part B coverage (the university does not pay for your Part B premiums). The ISU Benefits Office must be contacted prior to your last month of employment about the Medicare Information form required by Social Security for enrolling in Part B without a penalty. (See previous question).

## Q27 What is the impact to medical insurance coverage if I'm age 65 but my spouse is under age 65?

A27

Medicare will be your primary health plan with ISU health plans as supplemental coverage. For your spouse under age 65, the ISU health plan will be the only coverage. You both will continue to have Medco for prescription coverage.

## Q28 Do I still need to sign up for Medicare at age 65 if I'm getting coverage through ISU?

A28 Yes – see question #25.

#### Q29 What other benefits are impacted when I retire?

A29

- Life Insurance if you have been previously covered for life insurance during the past 10 years, you are eligible for a continued \$4000 benefit at retirement. You will also have the option for conversion or portability of existing coverage under existing life insurance guidelines.
- Voluntary Vision plan terminates the first day of the month following retirement. You may continue under COBRA provisions.
- Long-term Care Insurance may be continued directly with John Hancock.

#### Q30 What happens in the event of my death?

A30

In the event of death, the university's obligation to pay the cost of the health and dental coverage or the university's contribution to a retirement plan will cease on the first day of the month following the date of death.

A surviving spouse or dependent(s) may elect to continue current health and dental insurance coverage as provided by other university policies or by law.

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# Q31 What if I am not currently enrolled in health and/or dental benefits through ISU? Can I apply for health or dental benefits if I apply for and am approved for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

A31 Your health and/or dental coverage elections in effect on the date your application for the Retirement Incentive Option 3 is approved determine what ISU will provide at the time of your retirement. If you had not previously elected health and/or dental benefits, you will not have an opportunity to elect these benefits in retirement.

## Q32 What happens to my accumulated sick leave and vacation if I retire? A32 Per ISU policy, sick leave balances will be paid to you up to a new part of the paid to you up to a new part of the paid to you up to a new part of the paid to you up to a new part of the paid to you up to a new part of the part o

Per ISU policy, sick leave balances will be paid to you up to a maximum of \$2000. You must apply to receive sick leave payout.

The value of your unused vacation bank, up to the policy maximum, will be paid to you unless your letter of intent specifies otherwise (if faculty and approved for FISIP, the FISIP increment is excluded for purposes of the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program).

The value of your vacation balance, up to your maximum, will be paid to you unless your letter of intent says otherwise.

# Q33 My spouse/partner and I have the double-spouse premium contribution schedule. What will happen if one or both of us retire? Q33 The double spouse option will end. Contact the ISU Benefits Office at 515-

The double spouse option will end. Contact the ISU Benefits Office at 515-294-4800 and ask to speak to a Benefits Specialist.

# Q34 I currently have a Health Care Spending Account. What is the impact to me if I retire? A34 Health Care Spending Accounts are funded with deferrals from your salary

Health Care Spending Accounts are funded with deferrals from your salary. Upon your retirement, you no longer have a salary and your Health Care Spending Account will end. Only eligible expenses incurred by you or a family member until the end of the month in which your salary deferral ends can be reimbursed. Contact the ISU Benefits office if additional information is needed.

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Q35 Who can I contact if I have more questions on the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program?

A35

- Your department chair or director with questions on participation in the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program
- ISU Benefits office can help you with questions on health and dental benefits in retirement. Office phone is 515-294-4800 or on-line benefits@iastate.edu
- ISU Retirement Office can provide general information on retirement programs (IPERS and TIAA-CREF) Office phone is 515-294-4800 or on-line <a href="mailto:benefits@iastate.edu">benefits@iastate.edu</a>
- TIAA-CREF for assistance with retirement planning and investment options. Local office in Ames. Call 800-732-8353 for local appointments or speak with a national TIAA-CREF representative by calling 800-842-2776
- Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) for assistance if you are participating in IPERS. Telephone is 800-622-3849. On-line at www.IPERS.org

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IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY		Dept of Human Resource Services Administration - Benefits 3750 Beardshear Hall Ames, Iowa 50011-2033		
Dear	r Iowa State University Employee			
	w are the steps you should follow to complete and s ion 3 (RIO3) Program Application through your de			
	Prior to completing the application form, please revi (RIO3) Program Terms and Conditions document lo Benefits web page or you can call the Human Resou for an application to be mailed	cated on the Human Resource Services		
	Print and complete the requested personal information including your years of paid employme at Iowa State University, your appointment base, and provide your anticipated date of retireme if you are approved under the Retirement Incentive Option 3 Program			
	Review the application statements regarding choices of incentives available and select an incentive option (note: employees with IPERS or Federal Retirement programs are only eligible for the health/dental incentive)			
	Indicate by checking the box that you have read the be considered for the Retirement Incentive Option 3			
	Sign and date the application			
	Forward the application to your Department Chair o	r Director		
	You will receive notification of the status of your	application within 30 calendar days		

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We, the undersigned, have reviewed the cost and the appl	ication.
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Human Resource Services	Date
☐ Copy of application returned to applicant Date	
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	Phased Retirement

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# IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY PHASED RETIREMENT PROGRAM JULY 1, 2007

#### I. Eligibility:

Faculty or staff or Merit Employees of Regent universities, the special schools, and Board Office who have attained the age of 57 with at least 15 years of service with the Board of Regents are eligible to negotiate for participation in the phased retirement program.

There is no prescribed upper age limit for beginning phased retirement.

#### II. Approval:

All requests for admission to the institution's Phased Retirement Program must receive approval from the appropriate administrative offices of the institution by which they are employed. The program does not create a right for the employee and the request to enter the program may not be approved if it is not in the best interest of the institution. The Board of Regents will ratify entries into the phased retirement program as a part of the monthly Register of Personnel Changes.

#### III. Schedule of Phasing:

Years 1 through 4, an employee will work 50% to 65% of full time, as outlined in the Phased Retirement application.

Year 5, an employee will work 50% of full time.

An employee can work on Phased a maximum of 5 years with full retirement required at the end of the specified phasing period.

Once phased retirement is initiated, employees may not return to full-time appointment.

#### IV. Compensation:

Years 1 through 4, the salary received will be the Phased percent of the full time salary (50% to 65%) plus an additional 10 percent.

Year 5, an employee will receive 50% of full time income.

#### V. Benefits:

- 1. Years 1 through 5 institution and staff member contributions will continue for life insurance, health insurance, and disability insurance\* at the same levels that would have prevailed had the staff member continued at a full-time appointment.
- 2. Retirement contributions to TIAA/CREF will be based on the salary which would have been obtained had the individual continued a full-time appointment. The employee will contribute 5% of their full time salary. The University will match with 10% of the full salary.
- 3. As mandated by law, FICA contributions will be based on the staff member's actual salary during the Phased period. The same is true for retirement

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contributions for those participating in the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) or Federal Civil Service System.

3. Accrual of vacation and sick leave will be based on percentage of appointment.

#### I. Access to Retirement Annuity Funds:

During the phasing period individuals may exercise their rights to access funds in their TIAA-CREF (or substitute plans) retirement accounts\* in any manner permitted either by the retirement carrier or by Board policy but not to exceed 99% of their account balances.

Access to IPERS retirement funds would not be possible under this policy.

#### VII. Duration of Program:

Subject to annual review, the program will expire on June 30, 2012, unless renewed by the Board prior to expiration.

Employees are urged to discuss these options with their supervisor and/or make an appointment with Ann Doty, the ISU Retirement Specialist.

Phased Program Reporting Requirements: An annual report will go to the Board of Regents. Individual Phased participants will be reported to the Board on the monthly Register of Personnel Transactions.

\* The date you withdraw money from the TIAA-CREF or substitute plan retirement account, your enrollment in the Disability Income Insurance plan terminates and you cease to be a participant in the Disability Income Insurance plan.

#### Questions & Answers on the Phased Retirement Program

What is the impact of going on Phased on Vacation Accrual?

- Vacation accrual does change to be consistent with the appointment
- If an employee is at maximum vacation accrual prior to Phased, there is no loss the individual on Phased will retain all accrued vacation.
- When moved to Phased, there will be no further vacation accrual until they have used vacation to extent they are again eligible for accrual.

What is the impact of going on Phased on Social Security?

- Social Security contributions are based on actual salary and actual salary is reduced on Phased.
- The income projections employees receive from the Social Security Administration every year typically will show higher monthly income than the actual dollars received in retirement since these projections assume that the final years of employment will be at the pre-Phased salary level, not at the lower Phased income level.

What is the impact of going on Phased on Federal Civil Service System?

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Retirement income from these plans is based on formulas that include years of highest income. Being on the Phased program reduces your year's income and may lower the amount of retirement income you receive.

How will I know if I have **been accepted into the Phased Retirement Program**? Ask your department if they will send you a copy of your Phased Retirement Application once your request has been approved and your Dean/Chair/VP has signed the application.

- For more information on IPERS call 800-622-3849 or visit their web site at http://www.ipers.org/members/index.html
- For more information on the Federal Civil Service System call the Extension HR Office Room 2280 Beardshear Hall at 515-294-3283.

If you have additional questions about the Phased Retirement Program, please contact Ann Doty at 515 294-4521 or <a href="mailto:pdoty@iastate.edu">pdoty@iastate.edu</a>.

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# LIFE EVENTS - RETIRING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN: PHASED RETIREMENT - TYPES OF PHASED RETIREMENT PLANS

	Phased Retirement	Retirement Furlough	Phased Retirement Furlough	
Plan Description	Offers faculty and staff members a reduced appointment fraction, or a schedule of time off with time worked - or a combination of both. You can continue to work and have an income, but you must work less.	Allows faculty to apply for a terminal furlough year, taken as the last year preceding retirement, or in partial installments over two or three years prior to the effective date of retirement during which time the staff member is relieved of normal responsibilities and may be called upon to act in a consulting capacity to the University or to conduct research in his or her field of interest.	Offers faculty the flexibility of a combination of retirement furlough and phased retirement plans.	
Eligibility	You are eligible if:  • You are eligible to retire. • Your department approves the phased retirement request in writing.	You are eligible if:  • You are a regular instructional staff member hired into a faculty position prior to January 1, 1984. You are age 62 and have worked 10 years in the processional ranks. You have not taken a sabbatical leave within the four years prior to the effective date of the furlough.  • You will retire from an eligible rank.	You are eligible if:  • You are eligible for retirement furlough.	
Restrictions	You reduce your appointment to less than 100% - or less than your normal appointment percentage (can be as little as a 1% reduction). The phased retirement appointment must have a beginning and an end date. After your plan is approved and implemented, modifications can be made only with the department head's approval.  The date on which your full retirement will take place must be specified at the beginning of phased retirement.	Furlough can be spread over no less than one year or no more than three years.     Available to faculty members only.	Available to faculty members only.     The date on which your full retirement will take place must be specified at the beginning of phased retirement.	

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Application	Application must be in writing and must be approved by your department head.	Application must be in writing and must be approved by your department head.     Retirement furlough plans are approved and administered by the Vice President for Academic Affairs one year prior to start of the furlough.	Application must be in writing and must be approved by your department head.     Retirement furlough plans are approved and administered by the Vice President for Academic Affairs one year prior to start of the furlough.
Salary	Salary continues, but it is reduced to correspond with the reduction in your appointment.	Salary continues.	Salary continues, but it is reduced to correspond with the reduction in appointment combined with furlough salary.
Social Security	Refer to the <u>Social Security</u> website for eligibility rules.  http://www.ssa.gov/	Refer to the <u>Social Security</u> <u>website</u> for eligibility rules.  http://www.ssa.gov/	Refer to the <u>Social</u> <u>Security website</u> for eligibility rules.  http://www.ssa.gov/
Retirement	Retirement contributions are based on the actual salary received. TIAA-CREF partial or full annuities may begin during phased retirement.     Annuities are not available from Fidelity Investments.	Retirement contributions are based on the actual salary received.	Retirement contributions are based on the actual salary received. TIAA-CREF partial or full annuities may begin during phased retirement. Income may not begin during a straight one-year furlough.      Annuities are not available from Fidelity Investments.

#### Next: Retirement Furlough

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the benefits information in this site. However, if any provision on the benefits plans is unclear or ambiguous, the Benefits Office reserves the right to interpret the plan and resolve the problem. If any inconsistency exists between this site and the written plans or contracts, the actual provisions of each benefit plan will govern. The University of Michigan in its sole

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#### **Phased Retirement Guidelines**

Washington State University Phased Retirement Plan is a program designed to give University employees – faculty and administrative professional staff who participate in the WSU-Retirement Plan- an opportunity for pre-retirement reduction of full-time service while gradually phasing into retirement over a period of years. This Plan allows eligible personnel of the university to reduce their regular appointments to pursue personal or professional interests and to continue their academic and professional lives in gainful part-time employment. This Phased Retirement Plan provides an opportunity for individual career flexibility and forms an important part of the long-range personnel resource management of the University.

The Phased Retirement Plan is flexible and enables participants to have income for current financial needs - through part-time salary, retirement annuity payments, and other sources of income made possible because of the workload reduction - while allowing them to accrue additional retirement benefits that are paid upon full retirement. In planning for income needs during phased retirement, it is important to review all sources of retirement income to determine eligibility for receiving payments, the taxability of the payments, and when it would be most advantageous to begin drawing these payments. This can be done with the assistance of University officials, TIAA-CREF representatives, or independent financial advisors. Participants who retain appointments for greater than or equal to fifty percent time, continue to be eligible for applicable employee benefits including health insurance.

Phased retirement is intended to support the University's excellence. It permits the University to retain the services and contributions of senior faculty and administrative professional staff while enabling participants to continue to remain in their profession and to build additional financial security for the future.

The WSU Retirement Plan Phased Retirement Plan is a voluntary and mutually agreed upon arrangement between the University and the participant. At any time, upon request by the President, the Plan may be reviewed and modified without affecting already existing contracts.

The President may report periodically to the Board of Regents on the academic, personnel, and fiscal impact of the Phased Retirement Plan.

All information presented in this plan must remain aligned to legislation, laws, rules and regulations from federal, state, local and institutional governance. This Plan is subject to change in order to maintain compliance with both Internal Revenue Service and Social Security Administration rules.

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#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE

Participation in the Phased Retirement Plan at Washington State University is voluntary and mutually agreeable to both the University and to employees of the University who participate in the WSU Retirement Plan (TIAA) and whose positions are reasonably able to be handled on a less than full-time basis without materially altering the expectations and responsibilities inherent in the position or title, and without adversely affecting the area or program, or the costs relating thereto.

Criteria for participation in the plan, including the above, are as follows:

Status: at least 50% permanent employment with Washington State University
Service: 55 years of age with at least 10 years of cumulative service to WSU

Position: holding a position that is reasonably able to be handled on a less than full-

time basis without materially altering the expectations and responsibilities inherent in the position or title, and without adversely affecting the area or

program, or the cost relating thereto.

Budget: funds allocated to position held by incumbent. The initial arrangement for a

reduction in time-base is contingent upon budgetary feasibility as determined in the annual budget preparation immediately prior to the effective date of the

contract.

Academic

no detrimental impact to Washington State University programs/students

Impact:

#### CONTRACT

A written agreement setting forth mutually agreeable terms and conditions of an individual's phased retirement arrangement will be signed by the participant and the authorized Vice President. It will contain the following elements:

#### Length of contract:

Phased retirement contracts for half-time service or more are typically limited to seven years. Extensions may be renewed on a year by year basis.

Phased retirement contracts are not available for less than half-time service.

#### **Reduction in Time-Base**

The written agreement will indicate the effective date of entry into the program. It will specify the proportion of the phased retirement appointment, e.g. - 50, 60, 75, 80 or 85 percent. All reductions must be approved in writing by the appropriate administrative unit head before being presented to the authorized Vice President.

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It is possible to either periodically reduce the percent of effort, or initially reduce the effort to a certain percent and remain at that percent of effort until full retirement.

The percent of effort may not be increased except in unusual circumstances and only with the written support by the administrative unit head and approval of the authorized Vice President.

#### Salary

The salary during phased retirement is calculated at the appropriate percentage of the full-time base salary of the employee's position held just prior to entering phased retirement. The participant may receive periodic salary increments provided these increments follow current Washington State University policy.

#### EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

#### Retirement Plan

Participants in the phased retirement plan remain eligible for the University's percentage contribution to the pension plan. The University will contribute to the retirement benefits program at the same percentage as when the participant was on a full-time salary.

Example:

An employee decided to participate in the phased retirement plan at a 50% appointment.

Regular salary: \$60,000

Reduced salary: \$30,000

University Contribution (based on 10% contribution rate): 10% x \$30,000 = \$3,000. Employee contribution matches employer contribution, required via payroll reduction.

#### Health and Life Insurance

Participants with appointments of 50% or greater will continue to receive the University's, regular contributions toward health, optical, dental and life insurance plans as per all full-time employees.

Employee contributions towards disability plans may continue but benefits will be based upon the participant's reduced salary.

#### **Social Security**

Those participants qualifying for Social Security retirement benefits may be eligible to draw those benefits while on phased retirement beginning at age 62 or any later date. In determining eligibility for benefits, the participant should consult a Social Security office.

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#### **Tuition Remission Benefits**

The participant continues to enjoy tuition remission benefits in accordance with current Washington State University policy for full-time employees.

#### Vacation and Sick Leave

For those appointees on phased retirement with titles that accrue sick leave and/or vacation leave credit, those benefits continue under the same pro rata conditions as for permanent part-time employees.

#### Sabbaticals and Leaves of Absence

Participants in the Phased Retirement Plan are not eligible for sabbaticals since that benefit is available only to full-time employees.

Participants in the Phased Retirement Plan are eligible to participate in shared leave and FMLA leave in the same pro rata conditions as for permanent part-time employees.

#### UNIVERSITY STATUS OF PARTICIPANT

#### Tenure

A tenured faculty member who participates in the Phased Retirement Plan shall continue to be deemed a tenured member of the faculty for the specific length of time indicated in the phased retirement agreement.

#### **Promotion**

The academic participant remains eligible for consideration for promotion. Such advancements shall be assessed on the same basis as for full-time appointees.

#### **Faculty Senate Voting Privileges**

Voting privileges are subject to the rules and regulations of the bylaws and constitution of the Faculty Senate.

#### Non-Teaching Assignments

For the purpose of a faculty phased retirement contract, the department chair and dean will consider non-teaching duties as well as courses taught in defining a full-time faculty load and percentages thereof. In developing the provisions of the contract, the academic participant and the Dean or other administrative unit head may negotiate the type and amount of non-teaching assignment expected of the participant, consistent with the reduced assignment.

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#### **Space and Support Requirements**

Required office, laboratory space, secretarial service, computer use, and other support services may be made available. These services will be negotiable in developing the provisions of the contract.

The University's intent is to provide appropriate laboratory and office space, but exigencies of space and facilities use may not always permit this.

#### Faculty and Administrative Professional Handbooks

The participant continues to operate under the stipulations of the appropriate Handbook, except as otherwise provided in this policy.

#### **PROCEDURES**

#### **Preliminary Process**

Several months ahead of the formal request, persons considering Washington State University's Phased Retirement Plan should informally discuss with their administrative unit head, the professional staff in Benefit Services, and other appropriate persons, the advantages and implications of a reduced appointment.

#### **Application Process**

The University employee wishing to participate in the Phased Retirement Plan will submit a request, in writing, to the department chair and/or other administrative head. The written request should include no less than the desired percent of effort, the desired effective date and duration of the phased retirement, and an explanation of why this desired reduced effort and phased retirement would not materially alter the expectations and responsibilities inherent in the position.

#### **Approval Process**

- The department chair or other administrative unit head will consult with the
  applicant and other appropriate members of the department to evaluate requests
  in terms of planning, personnel needs, phased retirement plan costs, space and
  support requirements for the applicant and potential replacement (s), and other
  pertinent factors.
- 2. The chair or other administrative head will submit a report of the unit recommendation and a preliminary listing of the proposed contract terms to the Dean or other administrative officer. The applicant will receive a copy of this recommendation.
- 3. The Dean or administrative officer will review the proposed contract terms and the departmental or unit recommendation and will forward it, together with a

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- personal recommendation, to the appropriate Vice President. The applicant will receive a copy of this recommendation.
- 4. The Vice President will make a determination based on the facts and merits of the recommendations. The Vice President's decision is final. Only the Vice President may authorize exception to the provisions of the Phased Retirement Plan. Any exception to the policy must be in writing and signed by both parties.

#### **Development of the Formal Contract**

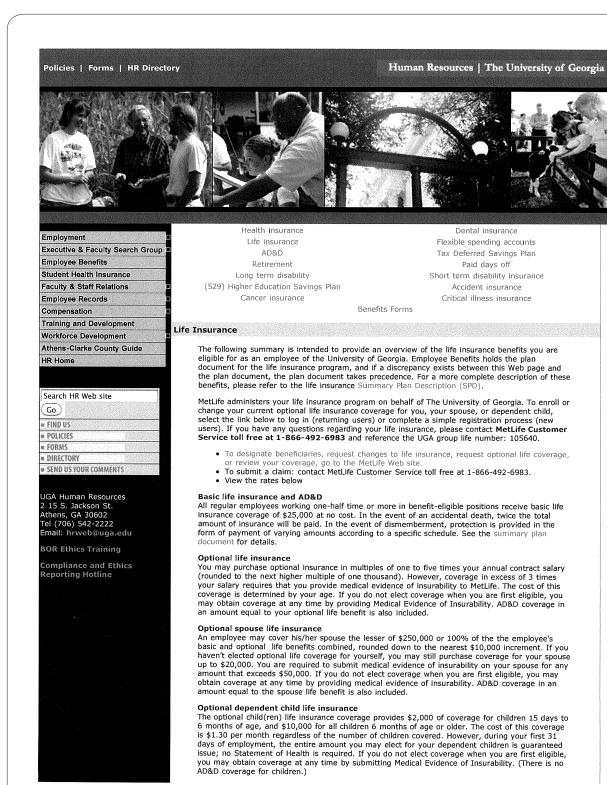
If the request is approved by the authorized Vice President, the applicant will meet with the Vice President for Business Affairs or his/her designee to draw up a formal contract that will contain the provisions specified in this policy. Washington State University Legal Counsel will review all contracts.

# Life Insurance

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#### Life Insurance

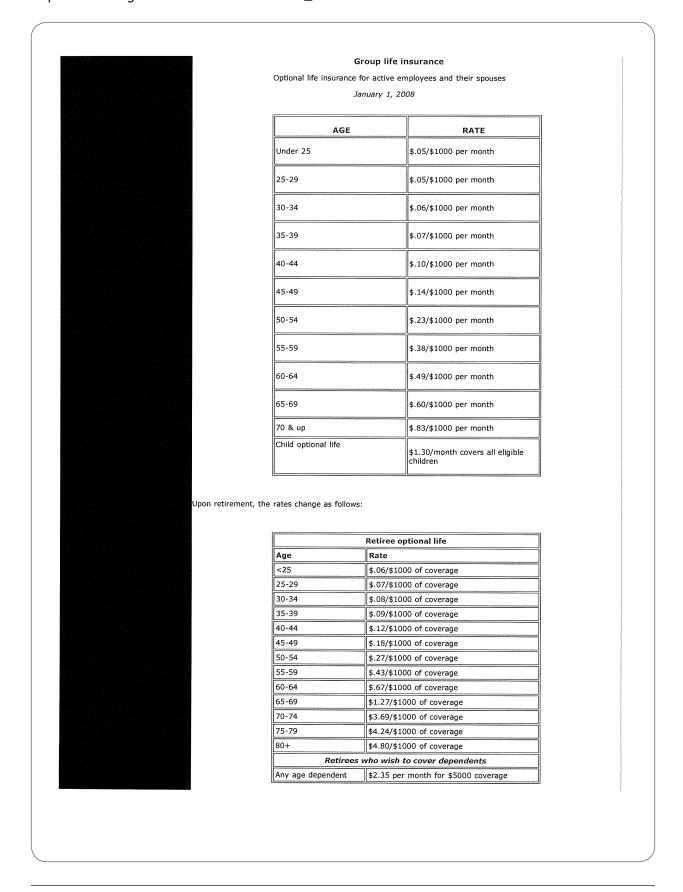
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Benefits Plans- Group Life Insurance

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#### BENEFITS PLANS - GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

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The University offers three group term life insurance plans to benefits eligible faculty and staff:

- University Plan \$30,000 of coverage for you paid for by the University.
- Optional Plan your choice of coverage in amounts of \$5,000, \$50,000, or one to six times your annual salary (maximum of \$1 million), paid for by you; and
- Dependent Plan coverage for your spouse or other qualified adult or your dependent children, paid for by you.

Retired University faculty and staff who were participating in the University Plan on the date of their retirement are eligible for Retiree Group Term Life Insurance.

All plans are administered by MetLife (1-800-523-2894).

#### **Plan Summary**

- The University Plan and the Optional Plan offer coverage for you only. The Dependent Plan offers coverage for your spouse or other qualified adult and/or dependent children.
- Enrollment is not automatic for the Optional Plan. You must enroll to participate.
- New hires and newly eligible staff members will be enrolled automatically in the \$30,000 University-paid plan.
- If your salary results in your coverage increasing above \$500,000, you are capped at a flat \$500,000 until you furnish evidence of insurability (health statement) that is satisfactory to MetLife.
- Both the University Plan and the Optional Plan have a "Living Needs Benefits" option—or accelerated payment of
  death benefits—which is an advance payment of life insurance proceeds when you are terminally ill and have a life
  expectancy of six months or less.
- These term plans have neither cash value nor provisions for loans, which means you must be enrolled when you
  die in order for your beneficiary to receive benefits.
- The Optional Plan gives you the flexibility of setting your own level of coverage. There is a \$1 million maximum of coverage available. You must be enrolled in the University Plan to enroll in the Optional Plan. If you are a nonsmoker, you get a discount on the Optional premium. A nonsmoker is defined as a person who has not smoked for 12 months. If you do not indicate your nonsmoker status on the application, you will be defaulted to the smoker rate.
- Under the Optional Plan, the amount of coverage you choose and its cost will increase when your salary increases
  if your coverage is based on your salary. Your cost will increase similarly when you move into the next higher age
  bracket.
- If you are enrolled in the Optional Plan, MetLife fully covers the legal fees associated with the preparation or updating of a will by one of the Hyatt Legal Plan attorneys. Contact Hyatt at 800-821-6400 for additional information.

#### Eligibility

The University, Optional, and Dependent Life Insurance plans offer coverage to regular, nonbargained-for University faculty and staff members who:

- have at least a 50% appointment, and
- have departmental funding for a minimum of four continuous months
- Graduate Student Instructors (GSIs) and Graduate Student Staff Assistants (GSSAs) who have at least a 25%

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appointment and funding for a minimum of four continuous months during fall and winter terms, or for two continuous months during spring or summer terms.

- Graduate Student Research Assistants (GSRAs) who have at least a 25% appointment and funding for a minimum
  of four continuous months in any term.
- Research Fellows and Postdoctoral Scholars who have University funding and an appointment greater than 0% for a minimum of four continuous months.

And regular, bargained-for University staff members who are members of:

- the Michigan Nurses Association (MNA);
- the Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM);
- the University of Michigan Skilled Trades (Trades);
- the House Officers Association (HOA);
- the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE); or
- the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

Temporary hourly wage staff are not eligible.

#### Enrollment

Enrollment in the University Plan is automatic. View the Optional Life Insurance and Dependent Life Insurance Plan sections for information on enrolling in those plans.

#### Benefits on Death

If you should die while your insurance is in force, regardless of how, when or where death occurs, the full amount of your insurance will be paid to your <u>beneficiaries</u> when the Benefits Office receives written proof of your death. If you do not designate a beneficiary, or if none of the beneficiaries you name survives you, death benefits will be paid to the first of the following:

- Your surviving spouse/OQA;
- · Surviving children in equal shares;
- · Surviving parents in equal shares;
- Surviving siblings in equal shares;
- Estate

Be sure to review your beneficiaries periodically and make appropriate updates when circumstances change, for example when you get married, obtain a divorce, or adopt a child. See <u>Beneficiaries</u> for information on changing your beneficiary designations.

#### Limitations

The University of Michigan in its sole discretion may modify, amend, or terminate the benefits provided with respect to any individual receiving benefits, including active employees, retirees, and their dependents. Although the university has elected to provide these benefits this year, no individual has a vested right to any of the benefits provided. Nothing in these materials gives any individual the right to continued benefits beyond the time the university modifies, amends, or terminates the benefit Anyone seeking or accepting any of the benefits provided will be deemed to have accepted the terms of the benefits programs and the university's right to modify, amend or terminate them.

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#### basic life insurance

Basic Life Insurance is provided to all full-time employees at no charge. In the case of your death, your beneficiary will receive two and a half times your salary up to a \$50,000 benefit maximum.

#### supplemental life insurance

Supplemental Life Insurance allows you to buy additional life insurance above your Basic Life coverage, at a low group rate.

With Supplemental Life Insurance, you can choose to increase your current life insurance benefit in increments of \$10,000. Rates are based on your age, and the maximum benefit is \$100,000 (\$500,000 in coverage available July 1, 2009!). When purchasing Supplemental Life Insurance, evidence of insurability will be required if purchasing more than \$20,000. Proof of good health may be required, and your premiums will be deducted from your paycheck on a post-tax basis.

You can only enroll in Supplemental Life Insurance every year during open enrollment. Once you enroll in Supplemental Life Insurance, your coverage remains the same from year to year unless you change it. You may increase, decrease or discontinue your coverage every year during open enrollment. You may change your coverage during the year if necessary due to a change in family status such as marriage, divorce or adoption. In these cases, contact the Benefits Office for enrollment information.

Supplemental Life Insurance is eligible for accelerated benefits. This means you can collect 50% of your benefit if you are deemed to be terminally ill with twelve months or fewer to live as indicated by a physician. Your Supplemental Life Insurance has no savings or cash-value benefit.

#### dependent life insurance

With Dependent Life Insurance, you may choose to cover your spouse and children at a low, group rate. Rates for Dependent Life are blended- this means you pay one flat rate regardless of the number of family members you cover.

There are three levels of Dependent Life from which to choose:

- Option A: \$10,000 of coverage for your spouse with \$5,000 of coverage for each child,
- Option B: \$5,000 of coverage for your spouse with \$2,000 of coverage for each child,
- Option C: \$20,000 of coverage for your spouse with \$10,000 for each child

Individuals eligible for Dependent Life Insurance are your legally married spouse, domestic partner and dependent children. Premiums are deducted on a post-tax basis.

You can only enroll in Dependent Life Insurance every year during open enrollment. Once you enroll in Dependent Life Insurance, your coverage remains the same from year to year unless you change it. You may increase, decrease or discontinue your coverage every year during open enrollment. You may change your coverage during the year if necessary due to a change in family status such as marriage, divorce or adoption. In these cases, contact the Benefits

When you enroll in Dependent Life Insurance, you automatically become the beneficiary. Dependent Life Insurance is not eligible for accelerated benefits, nor does it have any savings or cash-value benefit.

<sup>\*\*</sup>AFSCME members: consult your union contract for details regarding your benefit coverages.

# Health Insurance

#### **INDIANA UNIVERSITY**

#### 2010 Medical Care Plans

#### http://www.indiana.edu/~uhrs/benefits/medical\_overview.html



#### 2010 Medical Care Plans

On this page: IU PPO \$900 Deductible | IU PPO Blue Access | IU HDHP PPO & HSA

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#### Similarities

- All plans use Anthem's Blue Access PPO network. This network provides access to quality care and saves money through Anthem's negotiated reimbursement rates. A higher level of benefits is received when using network providers.
- . There are no pre-existing condition limits or waiting periods. After enrolling, coverage is effective from the first day of eligibility.
- Services are comprehensive and include those that are traditionally covered by medical insurance: medical, prescription, behavioral health, transplants, durable medical equipment, home health care, skilled nursing, physical, occupational, and speech therapies, and chiropractic services.
- Each plan's out-of-pocket expenses vary, but the types of services covered under the plans are the same.
- Preventive services are covered with only a copay—there is no deductible. Preventive services include physical exams, well-child visits, immunizations, lab
  tests (e.g., Pap, PSA, cholesterol), and other screening diagnostic services like mammograms and colonoscopies.
- Each plan has annual out-of-pocket maximums for individual and family levels. Once the maximum is met, the plan pays 100% for in-network covered services for the remainder of the year.
- There is no lifetime maximum benefit on medical services. Human organ and bone marrow transplants do have a \$2 million dollar lifetime maximum.
- · All plans provide coverage in the US and overseas

#### Differences

- Dremiume
- · Out-of-pocket expenses (deductibles and copays)
- A unique tax-advantaged savings plan that is available to participants in the IU HDHP PPO & Medical Savings Plan.

#### IU PPO \$900 Deductible Plan (more information)

IU pays 90% of in-network medical costs once the plan deductible is reached. There is no deductible or copay when an Independent Laboratory Network

Retail and mail order prescription copays are based on a tiered drug list. In general, Tier 1 is generic drugs, Tier 2 is more cost effective brand drugs, and Tier 3 includes more expensive drugs. For drugs not on the list, the member pays 100% of the plan's discounted prescription cost.

#### IU PPO Blue Access Plan (more information)

The plan has no deductible and fixed-dollar copays for many in-network services (inpatient admissions, office visits, urgent care, emergency services, outpatient surgery). There is a 10% copay on some outpatient services such as MRIs, CAT scans, ultrasound, and injectible drugs (other than insulin). There is no deductible or copay when an Independent Laboratory Network provider is used for jab tests.

Retail and mail-order prescription copays are based on a tiered drug list. In general, Tier 1 is generic drugs, Tier 2 is cost effective brand drugs, and Tier 3 includes more expensive drugs. For drugs not on the list, the member pays 100% of the plan's discounted prescription cost.

#### IU HDHP PPO & Health Savings Account (more information)

This plan is somewhat different than traditional medical plans—it includes both comprehensive medical coverage (IRS-qualified High Deductible Healthcare Plan-HDHP) and a tax-advantaged savings account. The deductible applies to all covered services except preventive medical services and preventive prescriptions. After the deductible is met, a 20% copay applies to all covered services until the out-of-pocket maximum is met. The deductible and out-of-pocket maximums are applied differently than a traditional plan, and there are IRS eligibility restrictions on other medical coverage, so reading the plan details is important.

The true advantage of this plan is the personal savings account that is set up in the employee's name. The savings account is contributed to by the university and the employee. These savings can be used tax free to pay for medical expenses, like deductibles and copays, or saved to use in the future, even in retirement.

For all plans, to access information on background and licensing of individual doctors, nurses, chiropractors and pharmacists, search and verify licensing online or call (toll free) 888-333-7515.

Benefit plan information on these web pages is in a summary format and is not intended to replace actual plan documents. Indiana University reserves the right to amend or terminate all or any part of any benefit plan.

Quick links, publications, forms, etc.

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### Compare 2010 Medical Care Plan Highlights

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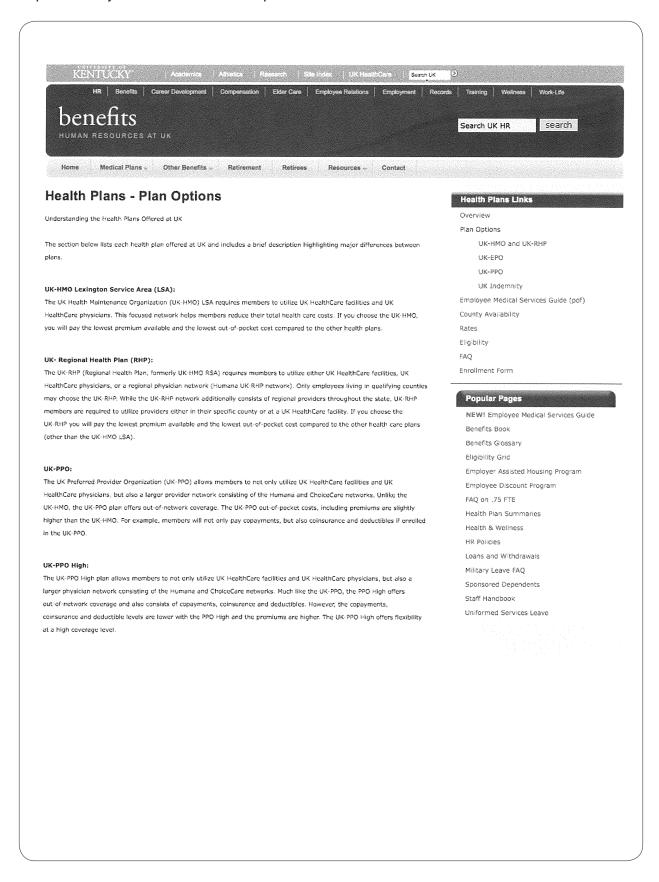
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	IU PPO \$900 Deductible		IU PPO Blue Access		IU HDHP PPO & Medical Savings Plan	
	view plan information >		view plan information >		view plan information >	
Monthly Rates	Employee Contribution	With Additional IU Subsidy	Employee Contribution	With Additional IU Subsidy	Employee Contribution	With Additional
Employee Only	\$5.00	\$3.50	\$5.00	\$3.50	\$5.00	\$3.50
Employee w/ Child(ren)	\$10.00	\$7.00	\$10.00	\$7.00	\$10.00	\$7.00
Employee w/ Spouse	\$10.00	\$7.00	\$17.04	\$11.93	\$10.00	\$7.00
Family	\$39.74	\$27.82	\$76.42	\$53.50	\$10.00	\$7.00
Annual IU Contribution to Health Savings Account	Not Applicable		Not Applicable		\$300 for employee only coverage. \$750 when family members are covered.	
Provider Network			Full benefits from Anthem Blue Access Preferred Providers and Blue Card PPO providers in other states.		Full benefits from Anthem Blue Access Preferred Providers and Blue Card PPO providers in other states.	
MEDICAL			1			
In-Network Benefit	s:					
Deductibles	\$900 individual/\$2 maximum.	,700 family	No deductible.		\$1,200 employee- family members are cove services except w- preventive Rx).	ered (applies to all
Co-pays	After deductible, n copay.	nember pays 10%	\$25 per primary care/\$35 per specialist office visit. \$50 urgent care. \$400 per hospital admission. \$150 per outpatient facility visit. 10% for other services.			
Out-of-Pocket Maximum			When copays equal \$2,400 (\$7,200 family maximum), then there is no copay.		When deductible plus copays equal \$2,500 (\$5,000 family maximum), then there is no copay.	
Out-of-Network Bei	nefits:					
Deductibles	\$900 individual/\$2 maximum.	,700 family	\$900 individual/\$2,700 family maximum. \$2,400 individual/\$4 maximum.		\$4,800 family	
Co-pays	After deductible, m copay.	nember pays 30%	After deductible, member pays 30% copay.		After deductible, member pays 40%.	
Out-of-Pocket Maximum	is	kimum), then there	When deductible plus copays equal \$2,400 (\$7,200 family maximum), then there is no copay. Patient pays all amounts above Maximum Allowable Amount.		When deductible plus copays equal \$5,000 (\$10,000 family maximum), then there is	
	no copay. Patient pays all amounts above  Maximum Allowable Amount.				no copay. Patient pays all amounts above Maximum Allowable Amount.	
Wellness Services	Covered with copa		Covered with copay.		Covered with copa	CONTRACTOR PROFESSION CONTRACTOR
Vision	One routine eye exam per year, with copay.				One routine eye exam per year, with copay.	
Emergency Room and Urgent Care Facility		\$100 copay per visit.		20% In-Network copay after deductible (40% out-of-network).		
PRESCRIPTION DR	UGS (Rx)					
n-Network copays	Retail (up to 30-da \$8 Tier 1 \$25 Tier 2 \$45 Tier 3 100% non-covered discounts)		Retail (up to 30-day si \$8 Tier 1 \$25 Tier 2 \$45 Tier 3 100% non-covered Rx		Retail (up to 30-da 20% copay after d	
	Mail Order (up to 90-day supply): \$20 Tier 1 \$62 Tier 2		Mail Order (up to 90-day supply): \$20 Tier 1 \$62 Tier 2		Mail Order (up to 90-day supply): 20% copay after deductible.*	
	\$112 Tier 3 100% non-covered discounts)	Rx (with plan	\$112 Tier 3 100% non-covered Rx	(with plan discounts)	100% non-covered discounts)	Rx (with plan
	Specialty drugs only available through Mail Order.		Specialty drugs only available through Mail Order.		Specialty drugs only available through Mail Order.  * No deductible on preventive prescriptions	
MENTAL HEALTH	Covered as any otl Anthem Behaviora authorization is rec	Health. Prior	Covered as any other Behavioral Health. Priorequired.	illness through Anthem or authorization is	Covered as any of Anthem Behaviora authorization is rec	l Health. Prior

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#### JK-EPO

The UK Exclusive Provider Organization (UK-EPO) requires members to utilize either UK HealthCare facilities, UK HealthCare physicians, or the Humana and ChoiceCare networks.

Members enrolled in the UK-EPO will have access to a larger network of providers than the HMO, but like the UK-HMO members are required to see an in-network provider for coverage. The UK-EPO offers the highest level of coverage among all the Humana plans

offered. If you choose the UK-EPO you will pay higher premiums, but have a larger network than the UK-HMO.

#### **UK Indemnity**

UK Indemnity is only available to those participants who live or travel out of state for extended periods of time. This plan offers the freedom to receive care from any physician for covered benefits.

What is a "Combined credit?"

The Employee + Family /Combined credit tier combines the Single credit and the Employee + Children credit, resulting in the same overall premium amount being deducted as would be deducted if each employee enrolled in a separate plan.

The advantage of choosing this tier is seen by those enrolled in the PPO and Indemnity plans that have individual and family deductibles. By enrolling all members of the family on one plan, employees may benefit from a lower overall deductible.

Please note, while the information on this site provides an overview of the health plans, we recommend members become familiar with the specifics of their plan prior to receiving care. For a more detailed description of the plans administered by CHA, information regarding participating providers, and claims inquiries call either (859) 232-8679 or (877) 855-9700 or visit www.mc.uky.edu/ukhmo. For a more detailed description of the plans administered by Humana, information regarding participating providers, and claims inquiries call (877) 857-1681 or visit www.humana.com.



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#### Health Plans – UK-HMO and UK-RHP

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#### Health Plans - UK-HMO and UK-RHP

**At a glance:** UK-HMO and UK-RHP (Regional Health Plan, formerly UK-HMO RSA) offer quality care through UK HealthCare facilities and physicians (UK-HMO) or other participating providers (UK-RHP). These plans offer the lowest monthly premiums and lowest out-of-pocket costs. No deductible. No out-of-network coverage.

For complete details on the UK UK-HMO plan, <u>click here</u>. To find out if a provider is a available under the UK-HMO plan, visit our Web site at <u>www.mc.uky.edu/ukhmo</u>).

To view complete plan details on the UK-RHP plan, <u>click here</u>. To view a map of the Regional Health Plan service area, <u>click here</u>. Coverage is provided for emergency care at a non-participating facility only if your condition is an Emergency Medical Condition as determined by the plan.

#### UK-HMO Summary of Health Plan Benefits

The UK-HMO offers an excellent value for your premium dollar. There are no deductibles to meet and no copayments for routine physicals or well child care when services are provided by a network primary care physician.

#### UK-HMO Factors to Consider:

- Lexington Service Area network consists of UK HealthCare facilities (including Chandler Hospital, Good Samaritan Hospital, and Kentucky Clinics) and UK HealthCare physicians.
- Regional Health Plan Area network includes the UK HealthCare facilities, UK HealthCare physicians and select Humana/ChoiceCare providers (use the UKHMO RHP provider link on the Humana page).
- No referrals are required for specialty care services provided within the network.
- · No deductibles to meet.
- No coverage for out-of-network services unless it is life or limb threatening.
- Covered transplants include kidney, liver, pancreas, kidney/pancreas, heart, lung, heart/lung, bone marrow and cornea transplants.

#### Prior authorization is required for the following services:

Durable medical equipment (over \$750), home health care and hospice services and other services as listed in the certificate of coverage. Available urgent care options include: Urgent Treatment Centers in Lexington (Dove Run Road, Custer Drive, and Boardwalk Street), Nicholasville (Bellaire Drive) as well as the UK Children's Twilight Clinic.

#### **UK-HMO** and **UK-RHP** Summary of Health Plan Benefits

2010-2011	Major Plan Benefits	Benefits for Covered Services Provided at Participating Providers
Lifetime Maximum Benefit		Unlimited
Copayment Limits	Individual and Family	N/A
Preventive Care	Routine Pap smears, mammograms, PSA,	100%

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100% after \$10 copayment for primary care physician, 100% after \$20 copayment for specialist  100%  100% after \$5 copayment  100%  100% after \$5 copayment
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47-460-20-20-20-20-20-20-20-20-20-20-20-20-20
<b>100%</b>
100% after \$50 copayment
100% after \$75 copayment (waived if admitted)
100% after \$25 copayment
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# Health Plans – UK-HMO and UK-RHP

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Other Medical Services	Skilled nursing facility (up to 30 days per plan year) Ambulance Hospice	100%	
	Home health care (up to 60 visits per year)	80%	
	Durable medical equipment, orthotics and prosthetics	<b>80%</b> , maximum member responsibility of <b>\$400</b> per plan yea for all services combined	
	Hearing aids	\$1,400 benefit every 36 months for children under 18	
	Speech therapy, pulmonary rehab therapy, physical, occupational therapy, cardiac rehab, manipulative therapy, hydrotherapy and acupuncture therapy (limited to 45 visits per plan year, combined)	100% after \$15 copayment per visit for all therapies	
Mental Health and Substance Abuse	Inpatient mental health or substance abuse (up to 60 days/plan year)	100% after \$150 copayment	
	Outpatient mental health or substance abuse (up to 20 visits/plan year)	100% after \$20 copayment	

Health Plans – UK-EPO

http://www.uky.edu/HR/benefits/health\_epo.html

#### **Health Plans - UK-EPO**

**At a glance:** provides care through a broader network, including UK HealthCare facilities and physicians and Humana/ChoiceCare networks. No out-of-network coverage. <u>Click here</u> for full plan details.

The Humana/ChoiceCare networks may be accessed on Humana's website at: www.humana.com.

# UK-EPO Summary of Health Plan Benefits

The UK-EPO Option is very similar to an HMO in the way benefits are applied. If you choose the UK-EPO, you must receive treatment from an in-network provider. Only emergency services, or urgent services received while out of the service area, are covered when provided by out-of-network providers or facilities. When you use innetwork providers, you will have a \$25 copayment for primary care visits and a \$40 copayment for specialist visits.

#### UK-EPO Factors to Consider:

- Large provider network, including UK HealthCare facilities (such as Chandler Hospital, Good Samaritan Hospital, Kentucky Clinics), UK HealthCare physicians and the Humana and ChoiceCare networks.
- No referrals required for specialty care services.
- No coverage for out-of-network services, unless it is a life- or limb-threatening emergency.
- No deductibles to meet.

**Prior authorization is required for the following services:** inpatient hospital services; inpatient mental health, alcohol and/or chemical dependency services; outpatient mental health, alcohol and/or chemical dependency services; and skilled nursing facility services. Failure to obtain prior authorization will result in a 50% benefit penalty.

#### UK-EPO Summary of Health Plan Benefits

2010-2011	Major Plan Benefits	UK HealthCare Providers*	Benefits for Covered Services Provided at Participating Providers
Lifetime Maximum Benefit		Unlimited	Unlimited
Copayment Limits	Individual and Family	N/A	N/A
Preventive Care	Routine immunizations	100% after \$15 copay per primary	100% after \$25 copay per primary care visit,

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	(through age 18) Routine Pap smears and mammograms Routine child care (through age 18) Routine adult physical exam (19 years and above, one per plan year)	care visit, 100% after \$30 copay per specialist visit	100% after \$40 copay per specialist visit	
Physician Services	Office visits (excludes certain diagnostic lab and X-ray)	100% after \$15 copay per primary care visit, 100% after \$30 copay per specialist visit	100% after \$25 copay per primary care visit, 100% after \$40 copay per specialist visit	-Autonosourant
	Lab tests and X- rays Diagnostic tests	<b>100%</b> after office visit copay	100% after office visit copay	
	Allergy injections	100%	<b>100%</b> after \$ <b>5</b> copay	
	Inpatient services Outpatient surgery and diagnostics Physician visits to emergency room	100%	100%	
Hospital Services	Inpatient care (semi-private room and board, nursing care, ICU)	100% after \$300 copay per admission (limited to two copays per plan per year)	100% after \$500 copay per admission (limited to two copays per plan per year)	The second secon
	Outpatient surgery	100% after \$100 copay per procedure	100% after \$150 copay per procedure	general resource and the second secon
	Outpatient nonsurgical care Outpatient tests,	100%	100%	Personal designation of the control

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	lab and X-ray Ancillary services		
	Emergency room	100% after \$75 copay (waived if admitted)	100% after \$75 copay (waived if admitted)
	Organ transplants	100%	100%
Other Medical Services	Skilled nursing facility (up to 100 days per plan year) Home health care (up to 100 visits per plan year) Ambulance Hospice	100%	100%
	Durable medical equipment	<b>80%</b> up to <b>\$400</b> member cost per year	80% up to \$400 member cost per year
	Physical, speech, hydrotherapy, occupational and acupuncture therapy (limited to 30 visits per plan year combined)	<b>100%</b> after <b>\$30</b> copay per visit	100% after \$40 copay per visit
Mental Health and Substance Abuse	Inpatient (up to 31 days per plan year)	100% after \$300 copay per admission	100% after \$500 copay per admission
	Outpatient (up to 20 visits per plan year)	70%	70%

<sup>\* -</sup> You may search for UK HealthCare Providers online at www.humana.com.

#### Health Plans - UK-PPO

# http://www.uky.edu/HR/benefits/health\_ppo.html

#### Health Plans - UK-PPO

At a glance: UK-PPO provides care through a broader network, including UK HealthCare facilities and physicians, Humana/ChoiceCare networks. Out-of-network coverage is available, slightly higher premium than UK-HMO. <u>Click here</u> for full plan details.

The Humana/ChoiceCare networks may be accessed on Humana's website at:  $\underline{www.humana.com}.$ 

#### UK-PPO Summary of Benefits

With the PPO option, participating providers agree to accept Humana's determination of reasonable allowable charges as payment in full. The PPO plan provides a large number of providers, including UK HealthCare facilities (such as Chandler Hospital, Good Samaritan Hospital, and Kentucky Clinics), UK HealthCare physicians and Humana/ChoiceCare networks.

Under either PPO: copayments, deductibles and expenses for mental health and substance abuse do NOT accrue toward the maximum out-of-pocket limit.

#### UK-PPO Factors to Consider:

- Lower copayments when using UK Healthcare providers for certain procedures.
- 50% benefit after meeting your deductible when using an out-of-network provider.
- Lowest PPO premium; slightly higher premium than HMO.
- Covered transplants include kidney, liver, pancreas, kidney/pancreas, heart, lung, heart/lung, bone marrow and cornea transplants.
- Deductible does not apply to in-network preventive services.

**Prior authorization is required for the following services:** durable medical equipment (over \$750), home health care and hospice services and other services as listed in the certificate of coverage.

#### UK-PPO Option Summary of Health Plan Benefits

2010- 2011	Major Plan Benefits	UK Healthcare Providers*	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Lifetime Maximum Benefit		Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Out-of- Pocket Amount	Annual Deductible  Out-of-pocket max (excludes deductible and mental health expenses)	\$500/member, \$1,000/family \$1,500/member, \$3,000/family	\$500/member, \$1,000/family \$1,500/member, \$3,000/family	1,500/member, \$3,000/family \$4,500/member, \$9,000/family
Preventive Care	Routine child care and immunizations	100% after \$15 copay per visit	100% after \$25 copay per visit	<b>50%</b> after deductible

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	and X-ray)	or <b>\$30</b> copay per specialist visit	or <b>\$40</b> copay per specialist visit		
	Lab tests, X-	100% after	100% after	50% after	
	rays and diagnostic tests	office visit copay	office visit copay	deductible	
	Allergy	100%	100% after \$5	50% after	
	injections		copay per visit	deductible	
	Inpatient services	<b>80%</b> after deductible	<b>80%</b> after deductible	<b>50%</b> after deductible	
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	Emergency Room	80% after \$75 copay per visit (waived if admitted)	80% after \$75 copay per visit (waived if admitted)	<b>50%</b> after deductible
Other Medical Services	Skilled nursing facility (up to 100 days per plan year) Home health care (up to 100 visits per plan year) Durable medical equipment Hospice services	<b>80%</b> after deductible	<b>80%</b> after deductible	<b>50%</b> after deductible
	Ambulance	<b>80%</b> after deductible	80% after deductible	<b>50%</b> after deductible
	Physical, speech, hydrotherapy, occupational and acupuncture therapy (limited to 30 visits per plan year, combined)	100% after \$30 copay per visit	100% after \$40 copay per visit	<b>50%</b> after deductible
Mental Health and Substance Abuse	Inpatient (up to 31 days/plan year) Outpatient (up to 20 visits/plan year)	80% after deductible	80% after deductible	<b>50%</b> after deductible

 $<sup>\</sup>ast$  - You may search for UK HealthCare providers online at  $\underline{www.humana.com}.$ 

# Health Plans – UK Indemnity

# http://www.uky.edu/HR/benefits/health\_uki.html

#### **Health Plans - UK Indemnity**

At a glance: The UK Indemnity plan is available to out-of-state residents and Medicare-eligible retirees.

Summary of UK Indemnity Health Plan Benefits

The UK Indemnity option is only available to those participants who live or travel out of state for extended periods of time.

Indemnity plans offer the freedom to receive care from any physician. <u>Click here</u> for full plan details. For covered services, there is an annual deductible that must be met before the health plan begins paying a benefit.

UK Indemnity Factors to Consider:

- Complete freedom to receive services from any provider.
- If you will be out of the UK-HMO, UK-PPO, or UK-EPO plan service areas for more than 120 days (4 months), you must elect the UK Indemnity plan.
- Deductibles, expenses for mental health and substance abuse and prescription coinsurance do NOT accrue toward the maximum out-of-pocket limit
- Covered transplants include kidney, liver, pancreas, kidney/pancreas, heart, lung, heart/lung, bone marrow and cornea transplants.

**Prior authorization is required for the following services:** inpatient hospital services; inpatient mental health, alcohol and/or chemical dependency services; outpatient mental health, alcohol and/or chemical dependency services; and skilled nursing facility services. Failure to obtain prior authorization will result in a 50% benefit penalty.

UK Indemnity Option Summary of Health Plan Benefits

2010-2011	Major Plan Benefits	Benefits for Covered Services
Out- of- Pocket Amount	Annual deductible Out-of-pocket maximum (excludes deductible, prescription coinsurance, and mental health expenses)	\$500 per member/\$1,000 per family \$1,500 per member/\$3,000 per family
Lifetime Maximum Benefit		Unlimited
Preventive Care	Routine mammogram and Pap smears Routine child care and immunizations (through age 18) Routine adult physical exam (19 years and above, one per plan year)	<b>80%</b> after deductible
Physician Services	Routine outpatient laboratory tests and X- rays Office visits (excludes	<b>80%</b> after deductible

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	certain diagnostic lab and X-rays) Lab tests and X-rays Allergy injections Inpatient services Outpatient surgery and diagnostic tests	
Hospital Services	Inpatient care (semiprivate room and board, nursing care, ICU) Physician visits to emergency room Outpatient surgery, outpatient nonsurgical care Outpatient tests, lab and X-ray Ancillary services Organ Transplants	80% after deductible
	Emergency room	80% after \$75 copay per visit (waived if admitted)
Other Medical Services	Skilled nursing facility (up to 100 days per plan year) Home health care (up to 100 visits per plan year) Ambulance Hospice Durable medical equipment Physical, speech,hydroptherapy, occupational and acupuncture therapy (limited to 30 visits per condition, per plan year, combined)	<b>80%</b> after deductible
Mental Health and Substance Abuse	Inpatient (up to 31 days per plan year) Outpatient (up to 20 visits per plan year)	<b>80%</b> after deductible

Health Plans - FAQ

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# **Health Plans - FAQ**

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- 6. Will I receive a vision ID each year?
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- 8. <u>Is the live or work option only available to persons who have the UK Indemnity plan option?</u>
- 9. What is an Indemnity plan?
- 10. When are enrollment forms due?
- 11. When can I change my health insurance elections?
- 12. What is a qualified change in family status?
- 1. What is the difference between UK-PPO and UK-EPO? What does this mean?

UK-PPO is a preferred provider organization health plans (PPO). The differences between the plans are the premiums, deductibles, copayments and coinsurances that apply for each plan. The UK-EPO (Exclusive Provider Organization) plan is the same as an HMO (Health Maintenance Organization). A network provider must be used in order to receive a benefit unless benefits are received for a life or limb threatening medical emergency.

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2. Is the family combined credit (called "spousing") still available?

Yes. When both husband and wife are regular full-time UK employees, the single coverage tier credit is combined with the employee plus children coverage tier credit, and both credits are applied toward the cost of the family premium. The out of pocket cost is exactly the same as one employee being on a single plan and the other employee being on an employee plus children plan. There is no benefit in combining credits if you are in the UK-HMO, or UK-EPO plan. However, there is an advantage of combining credits in the PPO plans that have a family maximum on deductibles. Employees may have a lower deductible amount to meet in one family plan versus in two separate plans.

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3. What is the network for UK-PPO?

There are actually two networks available when participating in the UK-PPO and UK-EPO plan. They are Humana/ChoiceCare. Both networks may be accessed on Humana's website: <a href="https://www.humana.com">www.humana.com</a>.

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4. Will I receive a health and prescription ID card each year?

UK-HMO members will receive a new ID card. UK-PPO and UK-EPO members will typically NOT receive a new ID card unless you are enrolling in one of these plans from a different plan. Prescription plan cards will not be reissued each year. Members will use the same ID card year to year.

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5. Will I receive a dental ID card each year?

UK Dental members will NOT receive an ID card. UK Dental verifies member eligibility electronically. Delta Dental does send ID cards to new members.

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6. Will I receive a vision ID each year?

EyeMed members will receive a new ID card each year.

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7. Can UK-HMO Regional participants utilize both the UK Medical Center physicians in Lexington and the physicians in the county in which they reside?

Yes, if you have the UK-HMO Regional plan you have access to the network hospitals and physicians in the county where you live. You may also use the UK Medical Center and UK physicians.

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8. Is the live or work option only available to persons who have the UK Indemnity plan option?

Yes, it is. The UK Indemnity plan will be offered to the areas out of state. So if you live in Indiana, but work in Louisville, you may choose the plans that are available in Jefferson County where you work or in Indiana where you live.

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9. What is an Indemnity plan?

The Indemnity plan is a traditional health plan with a deductible and coinsurance. It does not have a network requirement and is only offered to participants who live outside of Kentucky. When participants use one of the Humana/Choice Care network providers, a discount is provided.

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10. When are enrollment forms due?

Return your completed form(s) to the Employee Benefits Office at 112 Scovell Hall. If you are a new employee, you have 30 days from your hire date to submit your forms. Otherwise, you must wait to enroll at next year's Open Enrollment period.

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11. When can I change my health insurance elections?

Because the University of Kentucky deducts premiums for health, dental and vision insurance as well as flexible spending benefit plans on a pre-tax basis, the benefit choices you make now may not be changed unless you have a qualified change in family status, as defined by Internal Revenue Code, Section 125. The choices you make during Open Enrollment will be in effect from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

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12. What is a qualified change in family status?

A qualified change in family status is defined as: marriage, divorce, birth or adoption of a child, death of a spouse or child, dependent child reaches the age limit or gets married, change in employment status of you or your spouse from full-time to part-time and vice versa, termination of employment by you or your spouse and open enrollment of a spouse.

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# 2010-11 Health Plans - Rates

Benefits Structure	Coverage Level	Monthly Rate	UK Credit for Regular Full-Time Employees	Monthly Cost for Regular Full-Time Employees
<b>UK-HMO</b> Lexington	<b>Employee Only</b>	\$453	\$427	\$ 26
Service Area	Employee + Child(ren)	\$679	\$549	\$130
	Employee + Spouse/ Sponsored Dependent	\$905	\$652	\$253
	Employee + Family	\$1132	\$759	\$373
UK-RHP Regional	Employee Only	\$453	\$427	\$ 26
Health Plan	Employee + Child(ren)	\$679	\$549	\$130
	Employee + Spouse/ Sponsored Dependent	\$905	\$652	\$253
	Employee + Family	\$1132	\$759	\$373
<b>UK-PPO Administered</b>	Employee Only	\$453	\$427	\$26
by Humana	Employee + Child(ren)	\$679	\$549	\$130
	Employee + Spouse/ Sponsored Dependent	\$906	\$652	\$253
	Employee + Family	\$1132	\$759	\$373
<b>UK-EPO Administered</b>	Employee Only	\$577	\$427	\$150
by Humana	Employee + Child(ren)	\$866	\$549	\$317
	Employee + Spouse/ Sponsored Dependent	\$1154	\$652	\$502
	Employee + Family	\$1443	\$759	\$684
<b>UK Indemnity</b>	Employee Only	\$453	\$427	\$26
Administered by Humana	Employee + Child(ren)	\$679	\$549	\$130
	Employee + Spouse/ Sponsored Dependent	\$906	\$652	\$253
Converget @ 2010 Universe	Employee + Family	\$1132	\$759	\$373

# **Job Descriptions**

#### **UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA**

Human Resource Representative http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/pers/pd/00012810.doc

#### SUMMARY OF POSITION ROLE/RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Human Resource Representative coordinates the hiring of all Faculty, TEAMS and USPS staff in the George A. Smathers Libraries; processes all employment changes; manages employee files both paper and electronic; interprets personnel policies, regulations and standards; explains benefit programs to employees and processes all benefits paperwork; supervises student assistants; answers questions and advises employees on personnel issues; regularly deals with confidential information.

This position is part of an HR Office that services nearly 300 employees, including Faculty, TEAMS, and USPS, and over 200 OPS employees in 11 locations on campus, including Jacksonville, FL.

It is the mission of the Library Human Resources Office to promote and encourage a work environment that is recognized for the respect and dignity shown toward the staff. This is accomplished by successfully recruiting and retaining staff that appreciate the goals and objectives of the Libraries; creating a training program committed to continuing education and staff development; establishing performance objectives responsive to department needs and challenging to employee skills; providing confidential employee and career counseling that maximizes utilization of skills; and cordially overseeing the completion of personnel related paperwork which affects an individual's employment status and work experiences.

PROPOSED WORKING TITLE: Office Assistant

CURRENT WORKING TITLE: Office Assistant

\*\*\*\* DO NOT ERASE THIS LINE \*\*\*\*

POSITION NUMBER: 00012810

#### **ALL POSITIONS:**

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF THE JOB AND THE PERCENTAGE OF TIME SPENT ON EACH FUNCTION [NOTE: IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), IDENTIFY ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF A JOB REQUIRED TO BE PERFORMED WITH OR WITHOUT REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS. REQUESTS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS TO FACILITATE THE PERFORMANCE OF ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS WILL BE GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION.]

#### 45% PERSONNEL AND BENEFITS FUNCTIONS

This position is responsible for all appointments and personnel changes concerning faculty and staff. Acts in proactive manner to anticipate problems with changes and communicates with library faculty and staff to ensure that pay is prompt and correct, benefits are received and problems solved. Interprets UF and Library policies, regulations and standards. Counsels employees in retirement and other benefits. Coordinates DROP, TEAMS conversions, terminations, alternate workplace, and outside employment processes. Manages leave processing for payroll and resolves complicated benefits and payroll sisues. Coordinates the assignment of time approval roles for library departments. Back-up for hiring Federal Work Study and Other Personnel Services staff for payroll sign-up. Responsible for processing FMLA, Workers Compensation and benefit programs for faculty, TEAMS and USPS through PeopleSoft, etc. Also responsible for tracking hours used for FMLA and Parental Leave, and keeping all parties advised as to usage, etc.

#### 35% RECRUITMENT FUNCTIONS

Coordinates the recruitment and hiring of applicants for employment in the George A. Smathers Libraries including Faculty and TEAMS/USPS employees. Prepares marketing statements, position vacancy announcements and job advertisements. Posts vacant positions on UF and Library websites, numerous diversity sites, listserves, institutions and to individuals. Coordinates the billing for all postings. Maintains and archives search documents and assists search committees in processing application materials. Coordinates the development of interview schedules, travel and accommodations for interviewees. Conducts professional, educational and criminal background checks. Coordinates the H1-B, visa and permanent resident paperwork as necessary. Coordinates appointment process with UF offices including Academic Personnel, Classification and Compensation, UF Tax Services, UF Recruitment, etc. Handles all aspects of payroll actions for new hires. Coordinates Viable Outreach certification process and produces EEO compliance reports. Ensures compliance with mandatory UF and Library new hire trainings. Makes recommendations regarding salaries for new hire or reclassified staff positions. Reviews position descriptions and advises on changes that are necessary. Recruits, develops and supervises Library HR Office student assistants.

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#### 5% INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Responsible for maintaining personnel files and other office records. Works with UF Records Manager to determine and implement schedules for records maintenance and disposal. Recommends and drafts personnel policies and procedures. Assists with planning and executing activities in recruitment and evaluations of faculty and staff in the Library Human Resources Office. Reviews, processes, tracks and records statistics associated with faculty and staff evaluations. Reviews and corrects UF tenure, promotion and appointment records. Directs data entry for library personnel databases and works with library Systems Office to produce needed reports. Prepares regular reports on human resources statistics, salaries, transactions, searches, etc.

#### OTHER FUNCTIONS

- 5% Updates the Library Human Resources website for position vacancy announcements, staff photos and town meeting minutes.
- 5% Assists Library Fiscal Services with payroll operations for the Libraries. Monitors and communicates UF payroll policies and ensures Library practice adheres to them.
- 2.5% Assists in preparing tenure and promotion packets for submission to the Office of Academic Affairs.
- 2.5% Assists with staff development and training on an as needed basis.

MARGINAL FUNCTIONS OF THE JOB AND THE PERCENTAGE OF TIME SPENT ON EACH FUNCTION [NOTE: FOR PURPOSES OF ADA, THESE FUNCTIONS ARE MARGINAL ONLY TO INDIVIDUALS COVERED UNDER THE ADA WHO ARE UNABLE TO PERFORM THESE FUNCTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION BECAUSE OF A COVERED DISABILITY.]

SUPERVISION RECEIVED. EXPLAIN THE TYPE AND EXTENT OF INSTRUCTIONS OR DIRECTIONS NORMALLY GIVEN TO THIS POSITION BY THE IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR.

Supervision as needed. Instruction given through Library Policy and Procedure manual, e-mail and verbally. Meet once per week with Library Human Resource Officer and other office staff to discuss on going planning.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED. LIST THE CLASS TITLES AND POSITION NUMBERS OF POSITIONS UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THIS POSITION.

Co-hires and trains student assistants providing 1.0 FTE.

#### NORMAL WORK SCHEDULE. (ENTER DAYS/HOURS HERE):

EXPLAIN ANY VARIATIONS FROM THIS SCHEDULE (EX: ON CALL, SHIFT ROTATIONS, SEASONAL EXTENDED HOURS, TRAVEL, ETC.:

Working Hours: a) Daily from 8:00 to 5:00 b) Total hours per week 40; c) Explain any variations in workweek, split shifts, on-call status, or rotations.

EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE. IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE, STATE ANY SPECIFIC EDUCATION, TRAINING, EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES REQUIRED FOR THIS POSITION. IN ADDITION, IDENTIFY THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AS LISTED IN THE CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR THIS CLASSIFICATION (AVAILABLE AT www.hr.ufl.edu/departmental/ccestablishing.htm). LIST ANY ADDITIONAL OR PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS SPECIFIC TO THIS POSITION.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

A bachelor's degree in an appropriate area of specialization; or a high school diploma and four years of appropriate experience. Appropriate college coursework may substitute at an equivalent rate for the required experience.

#### PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience in human resource management.
- Excellent interpersonal and customer relations skills.
- Excellent communication skills, both oral and written.
- Knowledge of office procedures and office management.

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- · Computer skills: word processing, database management.
- · Able to maintain confidentiality.
- · Able to utilize sound and independent judgment.
- · Excellent time management skills.
- · Good analytical abilities.
- Ability to manage statistical databases.

REQUIRED LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS OF LAW. PLEASE REVIEW THE STATEMENTS BELOW AND PLACE A "Y" IN FRONT OF ALL THAT APPLY.

THIS POSITION REQUIRES A POST OFFER HEALTH ASSESSMENT.

THIS POSITION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE RULES OF UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, 6C1-3.022 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; PAYMENT TO VENDORS; PAYMENT PROCESSING GUIDELINES, AS AMENDED, REGARDING THE APPROVAL AND/OR PROCESSING OF VENDORS' INVOICES AND/OR DISTRIBUTION OF WARRANTS TO VENDORS.

THIS POSITION REQUIRES LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION, OR OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (PLEASE SPECIFY).

THIS POSITION REQUIRES A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK. Yes

THIS POSITION PROVIDES CARE TO CHILDREN, THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED, DISABLED ADULTS, OR IS OTHERWISE DEFINED IN SECTION 110.1127 (3)(A) FLORIDA STATUTES AND THEREFORE REQUIRES A SPECIAL BACKGROUND CHECK AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 435 FLORIDA STATUTES.

THIS POSITION IS SUBJECT TO FEDERAL AND STATE PRIVACY REGULATIONS.

OTHER, PLEASE SPECIFY:

**OTHER CHARACTERISTICS OF** THE **POSITION**. DESCRIBE OTHER CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POSITION SUCH AS PHYSICAL, MENTAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS ESSENTIAL TO THE SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE POSITION, OR OTHER CHARACTERISTICS, WHICH HAVE NOT OTHERWISE BEEN DESCRIBED IN THE POSITION DESCRIPTION.

#### NON EXEMPT (HOURLY) POSITIONS ONLY:

MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT USED REGULARLY. INDICATE PERCENTAGE (%) OF TIME IN THE OPERATION OF EACH.

PC 85%, Calculator 5%, Copier 10%

# **EXEMPT (BIWEEKLY/ANNUAL) POSITIONS ONLY:**

POLICY MAKING AND/OR INTERPRETATION.

PROGRAM DIRECTION AND DEVELOPMENT.

**LEVEL OF PUBLIC CONTACT.** STATEMENT OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL BUSINESS CONTACT, INCLUDING FREQUENCY AND SCOPE.

MONETARY RESPONSIBILITY. AMOUNT AND CONSEQUENCE OF ERROR.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONFIDENTIAL DATA. (THE DISCLOSURE OF WHICH WOULD BE

Boston	Public	Library
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#### The Organization

A leading American historian has called the Public Library of the City of Boston "one of the five great libraries of the world."

Well over 3.4 million people visit the Boston Public Library every year to use its collection of 6 million books. Another 4.6 million people connect with the BPL through its website <a href="https://www.bpl.org">www.bpl.org</a> to take advantage of its many services and its growing collection of electronic resources, downloadable media and digitalized rare books and manuscripts.

Among its preeminent collections, the BPL holds several first edition folios by William Shakespeare; original music scores by Mozart, Prokofiev and others; and the personal library of President John Adams. In addition, the BPL is home to the renowned Norman B. Leventhal Map Center, which includes over 200,000 historic maps and 5,000 atlases documenting the evolution of the printed map.

Over 12,000 programs and classes attract thousands of residents from across the diverse neighborhoods and cultural groups that make up the city. Award winning online and in-library homework assistance sessions, ESL and literacy classes, are also a popular draw.

The BPL has almost 600 employees and has an annual budget of about \$36 million. It is a department of the municipal government of Boston and a statutory charitable organization governed by a board of nine distinguished trustees appointed by the Mayor.

#### **Position Overview**

Administrative, technical and professional responsibilities directing and supervising the personnel systems of the Library, within the framework of the personnel systems of the City of Boston, including classification, compensation, recruitment, selection, labor relations, performance appraisal, benefits administration, civil service and training; technical work in developing and maintaining the personnel policies and procedures of the Library.

#### Reports to

Director of Administration and Finance

#### Scope of Responsibility

- Manages and supervises the human resources department to achieve goals within available
  resources; develops and maintains a human resources system that meets management
  information needs; oversees the analysis, maintenance, and communication of records
  required by law or; plans and organizes workloads and staff assignments; trains, motivates
  and evaluates assigned staff; reviews progress and directs changes as needed.
- 2. Actively participates in the collective bargaining process; suggests bargaining concepts and strategies; works with City labor counsel and assists in presenting the Library's case to mediators, fact finders and arbitrators as needed; assists with drafting necessary contract language and agreements; coordinates pre and post-negotiation activities including submission of cost items, communication of contract changes to department heads, scheduling of any major retroactive payments, etc.; continuously administers collective

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# Human Resources Manager

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bargaining agreements ensuring compliance to labor contracts; maintains communications with appropriate union officials for exchange of information, informal discussion of union-management affairs and related matters; assists with the grievance process.

- 3. Responsible for developing, administering and proposing improvements to the Library's salary administration plan and classification plan; monitors and reviews current personnel policies, job classification and salary structures and recommends changes as required; revises and maintains job descriptions; oversees the implementation of the performance appraisal system.
- Administers the civil service system as applicable to employees in the Library; counsels Library staff on civil service procedures and other applicable state and federal laws and Library policies.
- 5. Oversees all affirmative action guidelines and diversity programs for the Library.
- 6. Responsible for maintenance of employment applications, employee records and personnel transactions such as hires, promotions, transfers, performance reviews, and terminations, reference and credit checks, CORI or other similar programs, performs special studies and advises the public on job opportunities and application procedures..
- 7. Oversees the administration of insurance and employee benefit plans, including worker's compensation; acts as a group insurance administrator; acts as liaison between City Hall and Library employees to ensure that correct benefits are provided and that problems or disputes are resolved whenever possible; counsels employees on benefit programs and levels and on payment/reimbursement procedures.
- Oversees the administration of the Library-wide payroll and human resources information system.
- Mediates problems between employees; works to improve communication within and between departments; answers questions from department heads and supervisors concerning personnel policies and procedures.
- 10. Prepares employee separation notices and related documentation, and conducts exit interviews to determine reasons behind separations.
- 11. Prepares reports and recommends procedures to reduce absenteeism and turnover.
- 12. Collaborates with management staff on the design and implementation of a training and professional development program for all employees.
- 13. Ensures Library-wide compliance with existing laws, rules, ordinances and regulations governing the acquisition and utilization of employees.
- 14. Plans and conducts new employee orientation to foster positive attitude toward organization goals.
- 15. Represents the Library at personnel related hearings and investigations.
- 16. Performs similar or related duties as required or as situation dictates.

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#### Qualifications

#### 1. Education and Experience:

Bachelor's degree in human resources, public administration, business administration, labor relations or related field; and five years of experience in personnel including four years in a supervisory capacity, preferably in a Library setting; or any equivalent combination of education and experience. Advanced degree in public administration with a concentration in personnel management highly desirable.

# 2. Knowledge, Ability and Skill:

Knowledge. Thorough knowledge of public sector personnel practices and applicable federal and state laws regulating hiring and collective bargaining matters. Thorough knowledge of employee classification, compensation and benefits, recruitment, selection, training, and labor relations. Demonstrated successful experience with an electronic payroll (PeopleSoft a definite plus).

Demonstrated problem solving ability and ability to maintain productive relations in a complex and changing environment. Strong management and supervisory skills. Integrity, initiative, judgment, discretion, dependability and ability to work under pressure and deadlines essential.

Ability. Ability to interact in a positive and effective manner with personnel at all levels of authority. Ability to communicate clearly and concisely, in writing and orally. Ability to recruit, interview and evaluate job applicants for diverse positions. Ability to maintain accurate and detailed records. Ability to prepare and analyze comprehensive reports. Ability to carry out assigned projects to their completion. Ability to efficiently and effectively administer a human resource system.

Skill. Skill in the use of personal computers, particularly word processing and spreadsheet applications. Excellent public relations skills Solid negotiating skills.

- 3. Residency Must be a resident of the City of Boston upon the first day of hire.
- 4. **CORI** Must successfully clear a Criminal Offenders Record Information check with the City of Boston.

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#### **BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

# Special Library Assistant V

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY Job Description

Title: Special Library Assistant V
Grade: LA8
Class: GG

<u>Class Specifications</u>: Includes Library Assistants whose duties involve the following: under the direction of the Director of Human Resources, or designee, to be responsible for recruitment, HR training, managing the performance evaluation system, orientation, employee handbook and other Human Resources tasks in support of the overall Human Resources operation.

#### Typical Duties:

Under general supervision, and in accordance with standard policies and practices, performs any and all of the following:

- 1. Supervises and trains the clerical staff in the on-going procedures and work of the Office.
- Assumes responsibility for the preparation, processing, and completion, and distribution of all Personnel Action Reports, and other documents relating to resignations, terminations, and retirements.
- 3. Assumes chief responsibility for the processing of and current maintenance of pertinent records required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Personnel Administration.
- Maintains liaison with City of Boston agencies such as Health Benefit and Insurance Division, Retirement Board, Workers' Compensation Office, Office of Labor Relations, and the Office of Human Resources at City Hall.
- 5. Creates complex reports and letters and updates and maintains databases.
- 6. Manages the recruitment, selection and hiring of employees.
- 7. Present offers and enter into salary negotiations with external applicants.
- Performance Review System management, including regularly training groups and individuals on process, serving on committee with unions to modify process, and monthly notification and tracking.
- Assumes chief responsibility for the maintenance of all permanent Human Resources records, both manual and automated, including job descriptions, job postings, and performance evaluations.
- 10. Designs and conducts Human Resources training and orientations.
- 11. Drafts human resources procedures and policies.
- 12. Maintain and update job descriptions
- 13. Lead and assist in special HR related projects.
- 14. Updates the Employee Handbook.
- 15. Performs related duties as required.

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# **BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY** Special Library Assistant V

#### Minimum Qualifications:

Education: Relevant Bachelor's degree in a related field from a recognized college or university; formal business training including word processing training and/or proven employment record supporting ability to perform well at this level.

Experience: Three or more years professional level experience preferably in a Human Resources Office or comparable organization with direct experience working with Microsoft Office, Access, Excel, PowerPoint, PeopleSoft and other electronic programs with an emphasis on policy, procedure, employee communication, recruitment and training. Prior experience in working in an automated office environment at a supervisory level. Experience in training groups of employees.

Special Qualifications: Excellent interpersonal skills. Excellent writing skills. Demonstrated ability to accept responsibilities; able to work in a fast-paced, environment where multiple tasks and deadlines are a dominant feature; tact in dealing with people; ability to supervise and organize the work of others; to communicate effectively with all levels and types of employees and applicants. Dependability.

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# **SELECTED RESOURCES**

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# **Web Pages**

# **Employee Benefits Manuals**

#### University of California

Your Group Insurance Plans

http://atyourservice.ucop.edu/forms\_pubs/misc/ygip\_current.pdf

#### University of Colorado at Boulder

Benefits

https://www.cu.edu/pbs/benefits/

#### University of Connecticut

Benefits Enrollment Guide for New Employees

http://www.hr.uconn.edu/docs/enrgde.pdf

# University of Delaware

Get the Best from your Benefits, 2010-2011 Edition

http://www.udel.edu/hr/Benefits\_09\_web.pdf

# Florida State University

Insurance

http://hr.fsu.edu/index.cfm?page=FacultyStaff\_Insurance\_InsuranceHomepage&NAV2=Insurance

#### University of Nebraska

NUFlex Benefits for Newly Eligible Employees 2010 (28pp)

http://www.nebraska.edu/docs/benefits/NewEmployee2010.pdf

# Ohio University

2009 Benefits Summary

http://www.ohio.edu/hr/benefits/upload/Summary\_2009.pdf

# Oklahoma State University

Benefits Information

http://hr.okstate.edu/benefits/benefits.php

#### **Purdue University**

Benefit Plans

www.purdue.edu/hr/Benefits/benefitsPlans.html

#### **Rutgers University**

Staff Benefits Guide

http://uhr.rutgers.edu/documents/StaffBenefitsGuide.pdf

# Temple University

Benefits

http://www.temple.edu/hr/departments/benefits/index.html

# Virginia Tech

Welcome to Human Resources Benefits!

http://www.hr.vt.edu/benefits/index.html

#### Yale University

2010 Benefits News and Updates

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/index.html

Clerical & Technical Benefits

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/ct.html

Faculty Benefits

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/fac.html

Managerial & Professionals Benefits

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/mp.html

#### **Retirement Plans**

# University of Arizona

Financial Security Benefits

http://www.hr.arizona.edu/financial\_security\_benefits

# University of California

Human Resources and Benefits

http://atyourservice.ucop.edu/employees/retirement\_savings/index.html

#### University of Connecticut

Retirement

http://www.hr.uconn.edu/benefits/retplans.html

#### **Duke University**

Retirement Plans

http://www.hr.duke.edu/benefits/retirement/

#### University of Louisville

Retirement Program

http://louisville.edu/hr/benefits/retirement/

#### University of Michigan

Benefits Plans – Retirement Savings Plans

http://benefits.umich.edu/plans/retire/index.html

#### University of Minnesota

Retirement Savings Plans

http://www1.umn.edu/ohr/benefits/retiresave/index.html

# Virginia Tech

Retirement

http://www.hr.vt.edu/benefits/retirement/index.html

#### Yale University

Retirement Plans - C&T

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/RetirementCT.html

Retirement Plans - Faculty

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/RetirementFA.html

Retirement Plans - Managerial & Professional

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/RetirementMP.html

# **Deferred Retirement Option Plan or DROP**

Florida State Department of Management Services

Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)

http://dms.myflorida.com/human\_resource\_support/retirement/employee\_page/

deferred\_retirement\_option\_program\_drop

# **Early Retirement Incentive Program or ERIP**

Yale University

Information for M&P staff interested in voluntary layoffs

http://www.yale.edu/hronline/benefits/voluntaryseparation.html

#### **Phased Retirement**

University of Arizona

The Arizona Board of Regents Phased Retirement Program for Optional Retirement Plan Participants http://www.hr.arizona.edu/abor\_phased\_retirement\_program\_for\_orp\_participants

#### University of Colorado

Faculty Retirement Agreements, Boulder Campus Guidelines

http://www.colorado.edu/facultyaffairs/atoz/FACULTY\_RETIREMENT\_AGREEMENTS\_(3)\_10\_1.doc

#### University of Kentucky

Faculty and Staff Phased Retirement Procedures - Step by Step

http://www.uky.edu/HR/benefits/PhasedRetirementProc.html

Staff Phased Retirement Frequently Asked Questions

http://www.uky.edu/HR/benefits/documents/PhasedRetirementFAQ2.doc

# University of Louisville

Phased Retirement Options for University of Florida Faculty

http://louisville.edu/provost/faculty-personnel/phase-retirement-options-for-university-of.html

#### University of Minnesota

Phased Retirement Program and Administrative Procedure

http://policy.umn.edu/Policies/hr/Benefits/PHASEDRETIREMENT.html

Implementing the Phased Retirement Program

http://policy.umn.edu/Policies/hr/Benefits/PHASEDRETIREMENT\_PROC01.html

## North Carolina State University

Phased Retirement Program

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/benefits/prp.asp

2011-2014 Phased Retirement Program Department Guidelines

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/benefits/pdf/prp\_guide.pdf

NC State University Phased Retirement Program Benefit Plan and Payroll Deduction Continuation Options

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/benefits/pdf/prp\_continuation.pdf

Application and Re-employment Agreement

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/forms/benefits/prp\_app.pdf

University of North Carolina Phased Retirement Program 2011–2014 General Release

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/forms/benefits/prp\_genrelease.pdf

Phased Retirement Program for Tenured Faculty REG05.57.1

http://www.ncsu.edu/policies/employment/retirement/REG05.57.01.php

Staying Connected to NC State

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/benefits/pdf/stay\_connected/connected07.pdf

North Carolina State University 2011–2014 Phased Retirement Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) from Faculty Members

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/benefits/pdf/prp\_faq.pdf

#### University of Pennsylvania

Policy No: 414.1 Voluntary Phased Staff Retirement

http://www.hr.upenn.edu/policy/Policies/414.aspx

Sample Phased Staff Retirement Proposal

http://www.hr.upenn.edu/policy/Policies/Phased\_Retirement\_Proposal.pdf

Sample Voluntary Phased Staff Retirement Agreement

http://www.hr.upenn.edu/policy/Policies/Phased\_Retirement\_Agreement.pdf

Voluntary Phased Staff Retirement Frequently Asked Questions

http://www.hr.upenn.edu/Benefits/Retiring/PhasedRetirementFAQ.aspx

#### Life and/or ADD Insurance Plans

University of Florida

Life Insurance

http://www.hr.ufl.edu/benefits/insurance/life\_insurance.asp

#### Indiana University Bloomington

Insurance Plans

http://www.indiana.edu/~uhrs/benefits/insurance.html

# North Carolina State University

Life Insurance & Asset Protection

http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/hr/benefits/lifeinsurance.asp

#### **Purdue University**

Universal Life Insurance

www.purdue.edu/hr/Benefits/universal\_life.html

#### University of Rochester

Life Insurance Plans

https://www.rochester.edu/working/hr/benefits/life/

#### **Health Insurance Plans**

# University of Connecticut

Health Insurance

http://www.hr.uconn.edu/benefits/healthins.html

# University of Florida

Health Insurance and Health Investment Plans

http://www.hr.ufl.edu/benefits/insurance/health\_insurance.asp

# University of Georgia

Health Insurance

http://www.hr.uga.edu/benefits/bensumm/health\_summ.html

#### University of Louisville

Health Insurance Plan

http://louisville.edu/hr/benefits/health/

# University of Rochester

Health Care Plans

https://www.rochester.edu/working/hr/benefits/health/plan/

# Virginia Tech

Health Care

http://www.hr.vt.edu/benefits/healthcare/index.html

#### University of Waterloo

Medical Benefits

http://www.hr.uwaterloo.ca/benefits/medical/medical.html