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Employer Health Care Contact Information Requested

Who should read this notice

Those responsible for identifying the individuals who should receive targeted communications and correspondence from the retirement system

Situation overview

OPERS sends communications and correspondence to employer identified contacts based upon the content of the message. This targeted communication method allows:

- Quick delivery of important information
- > Shortened timeframe for turnaround correspondence
- > Streamlined processing of member and employer documents

To prepare for upcoming communications pertaining to health care reform and program data collection, a new employer contact reason of "Health Care" has been created.

What employers need to do

Contact Employer Outreach to provide the name and contact information for the individual most knowledgeable of your health care program offerings.

If you work with an external broker please indicate this when providing your health care employer contact information. The retirement system will not share member or employer confidential information with external health care employer contacts.

The following contact information is needed:

- Employer code
- Health care employer contact name
- > Whether this individual is an internal or external contact
- > Address
- Phone number
- E-mail address

Why this is important

Health care is an important topic. The ability to gather data and communicate efficiently enables the retirement system to partner with employers to ease the member's transition to retirement.

Changes to the Employer Manual

No revisions to the Employer Manual have been made as a result of this Employer Notice.

OPERS will begin to send health care specific employer communications and work to gather health care program offering data to work in partnership with employers to identify opportunities for collaboration to ease the member's transition to retirement,

Note:

Having current employer contact information enables more efficient and timely communication.



More information on back

Whom to contact for more information

After reviewing this *Employer Notice*, contact Employer Outreach to provide your health care employer contact information at 888-400-0965, or by email at <u>employeroutreach@opers.org</u>.

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