Administrative Rule amendments effective Jan. 1, 2014

Who should read this notice
Finance directors, chief administrative officers, human resources and benefits professionals

Situation overview
Ohio Revised Code Section 119.032 requires OPERS to review administrative rules every five years. During its September and October meetings, the OPERS Board of Trustees approved changes to 12 Administrative Rules. A listing of amended rules and high-level content description are included below.

Effective Jan. 1, 2014:

1. Rule 145-1-01 – Organization
2. Rule 145-1-72 – Division of Property Order
4. Rule 145-3-14 – Designation of beneficiaries under "plan F"
5. Rule 145-4-01 – Health care definitions
6. Rule 145-4-02 – Health care fund
7. Rule 145-4-03 – Health care coverage
8. Rule 145-4-05 – Monthly health care allowance
9. Rule 145-4-06 – Eligibility for health care in the Traditional Pension and Combined Plan
10. Rule 145-4-07 – Reenrollment following voluntary termination of health care coverage
11. Rule 145-4-26 – 401(h) retiree medical account - excess health care allowance
12. Rule 145-4-50 – Health care plan provisions regarding the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPPA)

Action requested
The information contained here is a high-level overview to keep employers informed of changes to Administrative Rules pertaining to the organization, operational policies definitions and administration. Employers are encouraged to be knowledgeable about all aspects of each Administrative Rule change.

Those who want to read the primary documentation for all Administrative Rule changes will find exact information about all Administrative Rules on the Register of Ohio website, http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/.

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