

Tarrant County Retirees

Welcome to 2024 Annual Enrollment

October 23rd - November 3rd, 2023

Annual enrollment is here and this is the time to review your benefits and enroll for next year. The information in this enrollment packet will help you learn about some important changes for 2024. We rely on you to carefully review the enclosed enrollment materials and to ask questions if there is something you do not understand.

Retiree Health Benefits Enrollment Guide

The Enrollment Guide summarizes what's new effective January 1, 2024. Take some time to thumb through this informative booklet to make sure you don't overlook something. At the same time, if you are enrolled in Medicare, review the 2024 Medicare and You handbook. If you did not receive one in the mail, it is available at www.Medicare.gov or by calling Medicare (1-800-Medicare) to request that one be sent to you.

Medical Plan Spouse Surcharge Affidavit

If you cover your spouse on the PPO Plan (includes MPD/PMD) or HDP, make sure you carefully read the information about the Spouse Medical Plan Surcharge Affidavit that must be turned in with your enrollment form(s). This Affidavit is required every year. You can still cover your spouse on your medical plan, but if your spouse is still working and declined his/her employer medical plan, you will pay more. Look for the Affidavit included in this packet.

Monthly Cost

A 2024 Retiree Health Benefits Rate sheet is enclosed to help you review monthly cost.

Retiree Enrollment Tips

- ✓ **Are you turning 65?**
If you turn age 65 on January 2, 2024, or anytime during the month of January, you must complete a new enrollment form and select a senior medical plan for 2024. You are not eligible for the PPO or HDP Plan in 2024. *If you turn 65 on January 1, 2024, you must enroll in a senior plan effective December 1, 2023.*
- ✓ **Are you enrolling for the first time or changing to the Medicare Advantage HMO Plan (PMA)?**

To enroll in the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage HMO plan (PMA), you must complete and return both the Retiree Benefits Enrollment Form and the UnitedHealthcare 2024 Enrollment Request Form enclosed in this packet.

You do not need to complete an Enrollment Request form if you are already enrolled and want to remain in the Medicare Advantage HMO plan (PMA).

Available October 23, 2023

www.pebcinfo.com

Select "Tarrant County" on the home page, then select Plan Year 2024, then "Retiree"

How do I re-enroll for 2024?

If you are **not** making any changes, please mark "No Changes from Current Year" in Step 2 on the Retiree Benefits Enrollment Form included in your packet. If you are making changes, you **MUST** complete Steps 3 and 4 on the Retiree Benefits Enrollment Form for Plan Year 2024 that is included in your packet **AND** return it to us by the enrollment deadline. If you are Medicare-eligible and changing to the Medicare Advantage HMO Plan (PMA), you will need to complete the enclosed Medicare Advantage HMO Enrollment Request form as well.

Where to send your forms

Mail or deliver your enrollment form(s) to this address. **Make sure that we get your form(s) by November 3, 2023.**

**Tarrant County PBSC
Attn: Retiree Benefits Enrollment
100 E. Weatherford, Ste. 302
Fort Worth, TX 76196**

What happens if I do not return my enrollment form on time?

Provided you still qualify for your current plan, you will be enrolled in the same coverage for 2024. This means that you are confirming you want to continue your current plan and you and your covered dependents are still eligible for the plan. If you cover your spouse in the PPO Plan (including MPD/PMD) or HDP and do not return the Spouse Medical Plan Surcharge Affidavit, you will automatically pay an additional \$200 per month for medical coverage.

It is very important that you contact the Tarrant County PBSC if you decide you do not want your current coverage any longer. If you enroll in a private retiree plan or another health plan, your coverage could be interrupted if you do not notify us.

Are you enrolled in the HELPS program, or a retired public safety officer interested in the program?

If you are enrolled in the HELPS program, you do not need to complete another HELPS Enrollment Form for 2024. The HELPS program allows your monthly retiree premium to be deducted from your TCDRS benefit each month. If you are a retired public safety officer and want to enroll in the program for the first time, contact the Tarrant County PBSC. Read more about the HELPS program at pebcinfo.com.

How to pay your premium

If you already pay your premium through automatic payment, you do not need to sign-up again.

If you mail your retiree premium, send your payment to this address. Your payment must be accompanied by an invoice. If you do not have an invoice, a copy is available for you to print at <https://uhcservices.com>. The address will also be on your 2024 monthly billing invoices. Payment is due on the first of each month and the grace period expires 30 days later.

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Need help?

If you need assistance or have questions, contact the PBSC at 817-884-2861 or send an email to pbsc@tarrantcountytexas.gov.