

Pension E-News



Health Insurance Rebate Reminder

Annuitants who have health insurance coverage from another source between January 1- December 31, 2021, received a mailing detailing the process for applying for a premium subsidy. Applicants must complete and return the application (Form 355). The deadline to submit applications is August 31, 2022, with a grace period to September 16, 2022. Applications postmarked after September 16 will not qualify for a 2021 rebate.

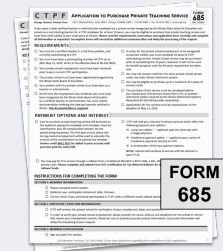


New This Year: Outside Health Insurance Rebate Webinars

CTPF offered webinars with information about eligibility requirements, required documentation, the timeline for the rebate process, and share pitfalls to avoid when completing the outside rebate application. Find a recorded version at ctpf.org.

Private Teaching Service Purchase Available

State certified teachers or administrators employed by a private school recognized by the Illinois State Board of Education, who have served as a contributing teacher for a CTPF employer for at least 10 years, may be eligible to purchase that private teaching service and have that credit added to total years of service. The member must meet certain eligibility requirements, and [complete CTPF Form 685](#). Find more information [here](#).



2022 Trustee Elections

This fall, CTPF will hold an election for:

- Two Teacher Trustees to serve three-year terms from November 2022 – November 2025
- One Principal/Administrator Trustee to serve a three-year term from November 2022 – November 2025

Candidate nomination packets are now available. Contact Election Coordinator Gail Davis: **312.604.1400**, ext. 402, or email elections@ctpf.org to request a packet. Visit the [Election Central page](#) for additional information.

2023 Open Enrollment

The 2023 Open Enrollment Period will run from October 1-31, 2022. During this time, annuitants can enroll, add or drop a dependent, or change a health insurance plan or carrier. Changes become effective January 1, 2023.

Open Enrollment Education Week

CTPF will host Open Enrollment Webinars and audio presentations to educate members about CTPF's health insurance plans during the week of Oct. 3 - 7. Register for all webinars and find dial-in information by clicking on the date at ctpf.org/calendar.



SAVE THE DATE

**Open
Enrollment**

October 1-31, 2022

2022 Return to Work Updates

A CTPF retiree may decide to return to work as a teacher, but there are some rules to be aware of to avoid a pension suspension, cancellation, or possible benefit overpayment. Returning to work on a permanent, annual basis will generally result in your pension being immediately cancelled, to resume only upon re-retirement. In 2022, the Illinois General Assembly passed two measures designed to help address the shortage of substitute teachers/administrators. The Fund also updated its Administrative Rules to align with the new legislation. Find more information here, ctpf.org/returntowork.

QUESTIONS

If you have questions about the policy, please contact Member Services at 312.641.4464 or email memberservices@ctpf.org.

HIPAA Authorized Representative Form

If you want a family member to assist you with health insurance issues, you can submit a HIPAA Authorized Representative Designation form, available at ctpf.org or from Member Services. Your Authorized Representative may discuss your health insurance options, but cannot make care or treatment decisions.

Power of Attorney Form

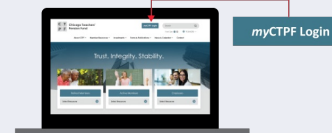
If you would like a family member or other representative to act on your behalf, you must submit a completed power of attorney form to CTPF and to each of your health insurance carriers. Power of Attorney ends upon the death of the member.

myCTPF Offers Helpful Features

New features have been added to the *myCTPF* Member Self-Service Portal, which is now available to surviving spouses.

These updates offer an even more accessible and efficient myCTPF experience. Register at myCTPF.org to:

- Request an estimate of your CTPF retirement benefit (for active members who meet the eligibility requirements) and then view, download, and print when they are available.
- View your address, contact information, and benefit status
- Download a pay advice or 1099R (retirees) or Member Statement (members with service credit with CTPF)



Register today at myCTPF.org

Pension Payment Schedule

CTPF encourages all members to switch to direct deposit. Call Member Services at 312.641.4464 to request a direct deposit form. The schedule for mailing checks and direct deposit dates through December 2022 is listed below. [Click here for the full schedule.](#)

Month	Last Day to Submit an Address or Tax Withholding Change	Check Mailing Date	Direct Deposit Date
August 2022	July 15, 2022	July 29, 2022	August 1, 2022
September 2022	August 17, 2022	August 30, 2022	September 1, 2022
October 2022	September 16, 2022	September 29, 2022	October 3, 2022
November 2022	October 17, 2022	October 28, 2022	November 1, 2022
December 2022	November 14, 2022	November 29, 2022	December 1, 2022

Employee Contribution Reporting

Each pay period, Employers remit employee pension contributions to CTPF. Illinois law requires that these contributions be made within a certain time period. If the Employer does not send the funds within the required time, penalties may be assessed. Find the most recent list of delinquent employers [here](#).

Lost Payees

CTPF is trying to contact members who are over age 72, but who have not commenced benefits or taken a refund of their contributions. If you or someone you know is included on the [Lost Payees Listing](#), please contact Member Services, 312.641.4464 or email memberservices@ctpf.org.

CTPF COVID-19 Information & Resources

CTPF is committed to doing our part to stop the spread of COVID-19. For the health, safety, and wellbeing of all CTPF Members, the Fund continues to deliver all member services remotely. The physical office remains closed to all but essential employees whose duties

cannot be performed offsite. In-person services and counseling are suspended until it is safe to resume these operations.

CTPF has implemented the following changes for the health and safety of all:

- In-person appointments and services are suspended.
- Phone assistance, video counseling, and remote notarization appointments are available. Members should call 312.641.4464 or email memberservices@ctpf.org for assistance.
- US Mail processing may be delayed. Send benefit applications, forms, and documents by fax 312.641.7185 or email an attachment (.pdf or .jpg format) to imaging@ctpf.org to ensure prompt processing.

Learn more on the COVID-19 Response Page ctpf.org/covid-19.

CTPF Appreciates Your Feedback

CTPF always appreciates feedback on its publications. Complete this brief [survey](#) and help us improve Pension E-News.



All current meeting dates, office information, and upcoming event information can be found on the CTPF Calendar at ctpf.org/calendar.

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Please consider forwarding this email to a friend who may be a fellow member or pensioner.

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