

# Pension E-News



September 15, 2020

**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.**

## 2021 Annuitant Health Insurance Open Enrollment

The 2021 Open Enrollment Period for health insurance will run from October 1-31, 2020. During this period, annuitants can enroll, add a dependent, or change a health insurance plan or carrier. Changes made during Open Enrollment become effective January 1, 2021.

All health plans offered in 2020 will be offered in 2021. Members currently enrolled in CTPF plans DO NOT need to take any action to stay enrolled.

### 2021 Health Insurance Premium Subsidy Increased to 60%

The 2021 CTPF health insurance premium subsidy will increase to 60% (certain limitations may apply), effective January 1, 2021. The subsidy is set annually and has been at 50% since 2015.

CTPF will offer expanded educational programs by webinar and phone conference this fall. Telephone and video counseling appointments with counselors from CTPF's Member Services department are also available. [Find additional 2021 Health Insurance information here.](#)



## 2020 Teacher Trustee Election Updates

November 2-6, 2020, CTPF will hold an election for two Teacher Trustees who will serve three-year terms from November 2020 - November 2023. Changes have been made to the CTPF Election Policy to facilitate the election

during the pandemic.

### Online Collection of Petition Signatures

Electronic signatures for CTPF nominating petitions will be allowed in the Fall 2020 Election. Members who want to request petitions should contact Gail Davis, Election Coordinator, [elections@ctpf.org](mailto:elections@ctpf.org), by September 15, 2020. Petitions must be returned by 5:00 p.m. (CT) on October 1, 2020.



### Voting Credential Distribution by Mail





Voting credentials will be distributed by mail to teachers' home addresses and by email. Information will be sent to the address on record with CTPF as of October 1, 2020. Members are encouraged to make sure their address is up-to-date with their employer.

### More Information

Visit CTPF's [Election Central](#) for additional information. Find the [2020 Election policy](#) here.

## CTPF COVID-19 Information & Resources

CTPF has created our COVID-19 Response website [ctpf.org/covid-19](https://ctpf.org/covid-19). This website link provides you with CTPF up-to-date information on the Fund's operations during the pandemic.

	<p><b>Leave a Voicemail or Email Member Services</b></p> <p>Member Services staff is answering questions and providing phone and video counseling. Call 312.641.4464, or email <a href="mailto:Memberservices@ctpf.org">Memberservices@ctpf.org</a> for assistance. Calls will be forwarded to voicemail. Leave a message clearly stating your name, phone number, and the nature of your inquiry. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.</p>
	<p><b>Submit Documents Electronically</b></p> <p>During the pandemic, CTPF staff does not have immediate access to incoming mail, and U.S. Mail processing may be delayed. The best way to send benefit applications and documents to CTPF is by fax 312.641.7185 or email an attachment (.pdf or .jpg) to <a href="mailto:imaging@ctpf.org">imaging@ctpf.org</a>.</p>
	<p><b>Help with Scanning</b></p> <p>Need to scan a document to email to CTPF but you don't have a scanner? A printer or smartphone scanning app or smartphone camera can help you get the job done. <a href="#">Click here</a> for more information on scanning.</p>
	<p><b>Remote Notary Available</b></p> <p>CTPF now offers remote notarization for CTPF documents. Members who would like to use remote notary services should call 312.641.4464 (leave a message and your call will be returned), or email <a href="mailto:Memberservices@ctpf.org">Memberservices@ctpf.org</a>, and request a video conference for notarization. <a href="#">Find more information here.</a></p>
	<p><b>CTPF Annuitant Health Plan Information</b></p> <p>CTPF annuitant health insurance plans offer coverage for COVID-19 diagnosis and treatment, and some have added additional telehealth and mental health benefits. <a href="#">Find more information here</a>, call the number on the back of your health</p>



insurance card, or visit your carrier's website for specific benefit information.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All current meeting dates, office information, and upcoming event information can be found on the CTPF Calendar at [ctpf.org/calendar](http://ctpf.org/calendar).

## STAY CONNECTED & SPREAD THE WORD

While we must be physically apart, we will continue to email regularly to keep you updated on the ever-evolving situation. CTPF will continue to share information at [ctpf.org](http://ctpf.org) on social media, in E-Lerts, and in E-News. We also encourage you to connect with CTPF on social media; many of CTPF's more than 88,000 members are active on either Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Please consider forwarding this email to a friend who may be a fellow member. Register for email updates [here](#).



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