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#### **Overview of SCRS Service Retirement Process:**

#### 1. Retirement Checklist:

- Please complete the retirement summary page. Then review the retirement checklist and check off each item. Email the completed retirement summary page and checklist back toyour Benefits Administrator.
- The following steps will need to be completed within 6 months of your date of retirement.
- For best results, please copy and paste each hyperlink listed under each heading in Google Chrome.

#### 2. SCRS Retirement Service Application:

- 1. Please complete your SCRS Retirement Application online through Member Access: <a href="https://online.retirement.sc.gov/MemberAccess/welcome">https://online.retirement.sc.gov/MemberAccess/welcome</a>. Click on the "Register Now" box to get started. In Member Access you can also pull estimates to see what your monthly pension benefit amount would be. We can also pull this information for you on the employer side, email <a href="mailto:benefits@musc.edu">benefits@musc.edu</a> if you need assistance.
- 2. You will need to complete the following: retirement application, withholding certificate for monthly benefit payment form, direct deposit form.
- 3. You will need to attach a photo of your driver's license and birth certificate/passport.
  - It typically takes PEBA 3-5 business days to process online retirement applications.
     Ifafter you submit your application, anything is missing you can upload the support directly into Member Access.
  - ii. Driver's license and birth certificate/passport is also needed for beneficiaries if selecting option B or C.
- If you are also applying for SCRS Disability Retirement, please print/complete the application: <a href="https://forms.retirement.sc.gov/formGenericGet.do?formNum=web6151s.xdp">https://forms.retirement.sc.gov/formGenericGet.do?formNum=web6151s.xdp</a> and mail to PEBA Retirement, 202 Arbor Lake Drive, Columbia, SC 29223.

#### 3. PEBA Retiree Insurance Process:

- Please review the Retiree Insurance Packet: https://www.peba.sc.gov/sites/default/files/retiree\_packet.pdf
- 2. Print and complete the 4 forms below. Please scan/email the forms to your Benefits Administrator to review before submitting to PEBA via postal mail. PEBA Insurance Address: PEBA Insurance Benefits, PO Box 11661, Columbia, SC 29211.

#### 3. Forms to send to PEBA Insurance:

- i. From the retiree insurance packet:
  - 1. Employer Verification Record: https://www.peba.sc.gov/sites/default/files/employment\_verification.pdf
  - Tobacco Certification: https://www.peba.sc.gov/sites/default/files/tobacco\_use.pdf
  - Retiree Notice of Election form: https://www.peba.sc.gov/sites/default/files/retiree\_noe.pdf
- ii. Include the retiree funding insurance letter (included in this packet).
- 4. You will receive a turnaround document in the mail from PEBA Retirement and a letter from PEBAinsurance regarding your eligibility for retiree insurance.

#### 4. Medicare Information:

1. I have included the Medicare Part B employer form for you to send to the Medicare office forenrolling in Medicare Part B. Please see the Medicare pages in this packet for next steps and please also review our Medicare Leaving Employment Checklist.

#### 5. Annual Leave Payout:

I've included your annual leave payout form so you can see what it would look like if you did
the deferral to a supplemental retirement account versus the cash payout. This is just an FYI.
If you wouldlike to do the deferral to a supplemental retirement account, please complete
the AL payout form and send back to me. If you prefer the cash payout, simply send me an
email to let me know, you willnot need to complete the AL payout form.

#### 6. Next Steps:

1. Please touch base with your direct manager/business manager to let them know you will be retiring. We do not notify your department of your retirement. They may have some things for you to complete before you leave-i.e. turn in your badge etc.

Date Prepared:	
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# **Retirement Summary Page**

Retirement (Regular)
Retirement (Disability)

PERSO	NAL INFOR	MATION				
Last Nan	ne:	First Name:				
SSN:		Date of Birth	:	Gender:	M	F
Home Ph	none (w/ area	code):		Email:		
Home Ad	ddress:					
	City:		State	e: Zi	p Code:	
<b>EMPLO</b>	YMENT IN	FORMATION				
Position '	Title:					
Departme	ent:					
Annual S	Salary:		_			
Annual I	eave Balance	:: hou	rs / Sick Leave I	Balance:	ho	ours
Last Day	Worked:		Last Day Paid: _		_	
Selected	Date of Retire	ement:				
RETIRE	EMENT INFO	ORMATION				
SC State	Retirement P	lan: SCRS				
		ORP –	MassMutual	MetLife	TIAA	AIG
Supplem	ental Retirem	ent Plan? Yes	s No			
If yes:	401(k)	457				
	403(b) -	Fidelity Ma	ssMutual Me	etLife TIA	λA	AIG

### ANNUAL LEAVE PAYOUT CALCULATION

Attached at the end of this packet.

## **SCRS Retirement Checklist** Employee ID: Department/Contact: **Employee:** [ ] I am aware that my last day employed will be and my date of retirement will be [] I may be paid out up to 360 hours of unused annual leave to use towards my AFC and 720 hours of sick leave towards my service credit. Sick leave cannot be used to meet retirement eligibility. [ ] Retirement checks are paid on the last working day of the month. The first check or two may be mailed to me and future checks will be deposited into the bank account I have elected. [ ] Retirees are eligible for an incidental death benefit based on their total years of service credit. There is no cost to the retiree. SCRS: 10-19 yrs = \$2,000 / 20-27 yrs = \$4,000 / 28 + yrs = \$6,000[] I will receive an "estimate" of my retirement benefit once PEBA Retirement receives my application. The initial estimate will not include any annual or sick leave that I have. MUSC will report the leave to PEBA Retirement upon the processing of my last paycheck and annual leave payout, which will prompt PEBA Retirement to generate a "finalized estimate" of my retirement. [ ] If all beneficiaries predecease the retiree, the annuity reverts to Option A, effective on the date of the last beneficiary died. [] For Options B and C, if the retiree has a change in marital status he/she may select a new payment plan and/or beneficiary within five years of the change in marital status. Change is effective the first of the month in which the form is received. A retiree may only make a maximum of 2 changes to their beneficiary option. Retired SCRS plan members who retired with 28 years of service or on or after their 60th birthday are eligible for Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAS) the second July 1 after their date of retirement. However, SCRS plan members who retired under early retirement provisions at age 55 with 25 years of service are not eligible for COLAs until the second July 1 after they reach age 60 or the second July 1 after the date they would have attained 28 years of service credit had they not retired. Eligible retirees should receive a benefit adjustment of 1 percent of their annual annuity up to a maximum of \$500 effective each July 1, based on current state legislation. [] If a retiree returns to work after for any employer who participates in the PEBA Retirement plans, their retirement benefit will be subject to an earnings limitation. Once the retiree earns \$10,000 from their employer, their retirement benefit will cease for the remainder of the calendar year; retirement benefits will resume the following calendar year subject to the same limitation. The \$10,000 limitation does not apply if the retiree was at least 62 years of age on the date of their retirement. [ ] If I am eligible for Retiree health, dental and/or vision insurance, my Benefits Counselor has given me the *Retiree Notice of* Election (NOE) and the Employment Verification Form These forms need to be mailed to PEBA Insurance within 31 days of my retirement date. Premiums for these insurances may be paid from my retirement paycheck, deducted after taxes are calculated and will be pre-deducted for the following month's coverage. Retiree Insurance Premiums-If you are scheduled to receive a pension check from PEBA Retirement Benefits, your insurance premiums will be deducted automatically from the first check you receive. If your insurance goes into effect before you receive your first pension check, PEBA will mail a billing statement to you for the insurance. For example, your insurance is effective January 1 and you are scheduled to receive your first pension check on January 31, you will receive a bill for January. Since premiums are deducted in advance, the premiums for February will be deducted from January 31 pension check. [ ] If my spouse and/or I are of Medicare age, we must contact Social Security/Medicare to determine when to enroll in Part B. Contact Medicare at 800-MEDICARE if you have additional questions. [] The Affordable Care Act requires employers to offer coverage to all employees who work an average of 30 hours a week. Because of this federal law, if you return to work at MUSC as a retiree employed in a temporary position, and you average 30 hours, you could be eligible to keep benefits through MUSC. If you and/or your spouse are eligible for Medicare, you are required to keep your benefits through MUSC based on the federal law governing Medicare enrollment. Retirees are eligible for enrollment changes to health, dental and/or vision. PEBA will send communications regarding enrollment options.

[] I have the option of converting/continuing my optional term life insurance within 31 days of my retirement. My retiree coverage will end on January 1 following my 75th birthday. I can also convert my coverage to a whole life policy, which is a permanent form of life insurance. I may be able to continue my insurance coverage and pay premiums directly to MetLife. MetLife will mail me a conversion/continuation packet. Packets are sent via U.S. mail three to five business days after MetLife receives the eligibility file from PEBA. To continue my coverage, I will complete the form that will be included in my packet from MetLife. Metlife can be reached at 888-507-3767.
[] Employees are still allowed to continue making contributions to their MSAs on an after-tax basis through COBRA. If an employee continues to make contributions to his MSA, you can use it through the end of the current plan year, including the grace period. The grace period is March 31st of the following plan year. If you do not continue his contributions after you leave employment, you have 90 days to submit a claim for any services you received before you left your job. If you are enrolled in a Dependent Care Spending Account, you cannot continue contributing to the account. You can only request reimbursement for eligible expenses incurred while you were employed until the account is exhausted. Please contact the MSA/DCA vendor ASI FLEX if you have any additional questions at 833-726-7587.
[] I understand that should my department propose that I be rehired, they must first submit a Position Justification Form to HR to be approved by the Provost or respective VP.
[] I am aware that I may (or may not) be rehired by my department as a Retiree. If my department rehires me as a Retiree, they must indicate on the <i>Notice of Separation</i> that I am a Retiree returning to work on: <i>month/day/year</i> . I must have at least a 30 calendar day break in service before returning to work. I am considered a retiree and I am employed in an at-will status with no grievance rights or faculty tenure. Faculty, Nurse Practitioners, and Physician's Assistants will not have any malpractice insurance during this break. I should also sign a <i>Statement of Understanding-Post-TERI/Post-Retiree</i> regarding my re-employment in a temporary position.
[] Per HR Policy 51 all Post Retirement employees returning to work will be employed in a temporary position. Temporary employees are typically* not eligible for benefits, annual leave, sick leave or holidays. I am required to continue participating to the SCRS plan if I return to work in any position. Temporary employees are required by State guidelines to take a 15 calendar day break after one year of temporary employment, however, temporary returned retirees at MUSC are exempt per MUSC Legal Counsel. (*temporary employees could be eligible for insurance benefits under the ACA if they have worked enough hours- email benefits@musc.edu for further assistance).
[] If I return to work, my contributions to my supplemental retirement plan will continue if Payroll knows that I will be returning to work. Otherwise, I must contact the Benefits Office directly at <a href="mailto:benefits@musc.edu">benefits@musc.edu</a> to resume the contributions.
Please communicate the following information with your Business Manager:
[] A <i>Notice of Separation</i> form or Teamworks separation must be sent to HR. The transaction should reflect the appropriate Retirement reason (Early or Regular).
[] Per HR Policy 39, Employees who resign in good standing should submit their resignations in writing to their supervisors with a minimum of two (2) weeks' notice for non-exempt (hourly paid) employees or thirty (30) days' notice for exempt (monthly paid) employees. University HR recommends that you notify the department of your intended retirement date thirty (30) days in advance for planning purposes.
[] Should you be rehired, your department must also submit a PEAR to rehire you and submit a NetId Extension Request Form if they approve your email and/or NetID to remain active during this break.
[] If you will be rehired in your department as a Retiree, a Statement of Understanding must be signed by you, the employee. The form will be provided to you by your Business Manager. A returned retiree is also required to complete all steps required for new hires, including background check, health screening and all required paperwork. You will be asked to complete new hire paperwork and submit a driver's license and social security card.

Do you want to join the MUSC Retired Faculty Program? Overseen by the Office of Planned Giving, this program provides opportunities to stay involved with the Medical University and fellow retired faculty members. This program offers:

- Attend the annual retired faculty event
- Join our e-newsletter for the latest updates and events on campus
- Order business cards
- Obtain a retired faculty email address (please note, this is a new email address and does not provide email forwarding from your address used during employment)

For more information, please call the Office of Planned Giving at 843-792-9562 or visit muscgiving.org/retired-facultyprogram.

#### FORWARDING ADDRESS

Please update your address in the My Records system prior to your last day employed. Should you need to update your address after leaving employment to obtain your final W-2, please email hrpersonnelrecords@musc.edu.

#### ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Turn in ID badge to Departmental Business Manager or Department of Public Safety.
- Return all electronic equipment (pagers, laptops, cell phones, etc.) to Business Manager/Supervisor. Turn in keys, tools, etc. to Departmental Business Manager or Supervisor.
- Return Purchasing Card to Departmental Business Manager or Supervisor.
- Final paychecks and any annual leave payout will be deposited into the current bank account on file (792-2191). Check with the University Library regarding any outstanding books or fines (792-2371).
- Please visit the Office of Parking Management at 91 President Street to return your parking lot card/decals and to complete the

<ul> <li>cancellation of parking deductions from your paycheck. (792-3665).</li> <li>Check with Dietary Office for any reimbursement on swipe cards, if applicable (792-3559).</li> <li>Submit effort reports (activity reports) if covered by MUSC's Activity Reporting system (792-6438). Check with the Wellness Center regarding membership status upon separation of employment (792-5757).</li> <li>Please complete the Leave Donation Form if you would like to donate any remaining sick or annual leave. Please go to <a href="https://horseshoe.musc.edu/human-resources/univ/forms/leave-and-time-management">https://horseshoe.musc.edu/human-resources/univ/forms/leave-and-time-management</a></li> <li>Please take a moment to complete MUSC's online Exit Survey before your last day of employment. Please go to <a href="https://horseshoe.musc.edu/human-resources/univ/employee-corner">https://horseshoe.musc.edu/human-resources/univ/employee-corner</a></li> </ul>				
Retiree/ Employee	Date			

## **Medicare Special circumstances (Special Enrollment Periods)**

If you and your spouse are of Medicare age, you must contact the Social Security/Medicare to determine when to enroll in Part B. Contact Medicare at 800-MEDICARE if you have additional questions.

Once your Initial Enrollment Period ends, you may have the chance to sign up for Medicare during a Special Enrollment Period (SEP). If you're covered under a Group health plan based on current employment, you have a SEP to sign up for Part A and/or Part B anytime as long as:

- You or your spouse (or family member if you're disabled) is working.
- You're covered by a group health plan through the employer.

You also have an 8-month SEP to sign up for Part A and/or Part B that starts at one of these times (whichever happens first):

- The month after the employment ends
- The month after group health plan insurance based on current employment ends

When you retire, if you are still eligible for state retiree insurance Medicare will become your primary insurance and the state insurance will be secondary. If you are not eligible for state retiree insurance Medicare will still be primary.

Usually, you don't pay a late enrollment penalty if you sign up during a SEP. In order to apply for Medicare in a Special Enrollment Period (SEP), you must have or had group health plan coverage within the last 8 months through your or your spouse's current employment.

Complete the Enrollment form for Medicare Part B.

Submit your enrollment form along with the Request for Employment Verification form (on the next page) to your local Social Security Office. Find your local office here: **www.ssa.gov.** 

### REQUEST FOR EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

SECTION A: To be completed by individual signing up for N	Nedicare Part B (Medical Insurance)
1. Employer's Name	2. Date
3. Employer's Address	
City	State Zip Code
Charleston	
4. Applicant's Name	5. Applicant's Social Security Number  — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
6. Employee's Name	7. Employee's Social Security Number  — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
SECTION B: To be completed by Employers For Employer Group Health Plans ONLY:	
Is (or was) the applicant covered under an employer group health plan?	Yes No
2. If yes, give the date the applicant's coverage began. (mm/yyyy)	
3. Has the coverage ended? Yes No	
4. If yes, give the date the coverage ended. (mm/yyyy)	
5. When did the employee work for your company?	
From: (mm/yyyy)  To: (mm/yyyy)	Still Employed: (mm/yyyy)
6. If you're a large group health plan and the applicant is disabled, please primary payer.	list the timeframe (all months) that your group health plan was
From: (mm/yyyy)  To: (mm/yyyyy)  /	
For Hours Bank Arrangements ONLY:	
1. Is (or was) the applicant covered under an Hours Bank Arrangement?	Yes No
2. If yes, does the applicant have hours remaining in reserve? Yes	No
3. Date reserve hours ended or will be used? (mm/yyyy)	
All Employers:	
Signature of Company Official	Date Signed /
Title of Company Official	Phone Number

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May 1, 2020			
Dear PEBA insurance,			
Re:	, DOB:	, SSN:	
Please confirm in writin insurance. My date of re		d for funded or non	-funded retiree
Kindly send confirmation	on in writing to th	e following address	:
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Sincerely,			



#### Retirees

If you are eligible for retiree group insurance when you retire, you may choose to continue or convert your life insurance through MetLife. Retiree life insurance coverage does not include Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits. Optional Life coverage is eligible for conversion or continuation; Basic Life and Dependent Life coverage are eligible for conversion.

PEBA sends a bi-weekly file with employee status changes to MetLife. MetLife will use this information to mail a conversion/continuation packet to eligible retirees. Packets are sent via U.S. mail three to five business days after MetLife receives the file.

The continuation and conversion application period is time-sensitive. You have 30 days from the date your coverage as an active employee ends to continue coverage. You have 31 days from the date your active employee coverage ends to convert coverage. If you miss these deadlines, you will forfeit your right for retiree group life insurance.

If you have questions about your options for life insurance in retirement, contact MetLife at 888.507.3767 once you receive your conversion/continuation packet.

#### Continuation

You may continue your Optional Life coverage upon retirement. The rates match what you paid while you were an employee.

The minimum amount that can be continued is \$10,000. You cannot increase your coverage, but you can decrease it. Rates are based on your age and will increase when your age category changes. Your coverage will reduce at ages 70, 75 and 80. When your coverage reduces or ends, you can convert the amount of reduced or lost coverage within 31 days as described in the Conversion section below.

MetLife will mail you a conversion/continuation packet. Packets are sent via U.S. mail three to five business days after MetLife receives the eligibility file from PEBA. To continue your coverage, follow the instructions included in your packet from MetLife. Coverage must be continued within 30 days of the date of coverage is lost due to approved retirement or approved disability retirement.

If you have questions about your options for continuing your insurance coverage once you receive your conversion/continuation packet, contact MetLife at 888.507.3767. If you continue your coverage, you will receive a bill and pay your premiums directly to MetLife.

#### Retiree life insurance beneficiary designation

When you elect to continue your Optional Life coverage upon retirement, you will need to designate a beneficiary on the *Retiree Life Continuation Enrollment Form* that you receive in your conversion/continuation packet from MetLife.



Once you are enrolled, you may review or update your beneficiary designation information by visiting MetLife's website at metife.com/mybenefits. Register and create your own unique user ID and password. Using the website will allow you to make designations quickly and easily, limiting paperwork and speeding up processing time.

#### Conversion

You may convert your Basic, Optional and Dependent Life coverage upon retirement to an individual whole life insurance policy, a permanent form of life insurance, without providing evidence of insurability. Your premium for the new policy will be set at MetLife's standard rate for the amount of coverage that you wish to convert and your age. You may not apply for more than the amount of life insurance you had under your terminated group life insurance.

MetLife will mail you a conversion/continuation packet. Packets are sent via U.S. mail three to five business days after MetLife receives the eligibility file from PEBA.

MetLife has contracted with Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company (MassMutual) to help with converting coverage. To apply, contact MassMutual at 877.275.6387 and refer to the *Conversion Notice* included in the packet. The policy will be issued without medical evidence if you apply for and pay the premium within 31 days. If you miss the deadline, you will forfeit your right to convert your life insurance.



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# **Salary Reduction Agreement For Annual Leave Payouts**

Indicate one appropriate action:			
Check all that apply:  Monthly Paid Biweekly I	Paid	MUSC Physicians	Member
By this agreement made between of South Carolina (Employer), the parties h	nereto agree as		Name) and the MedicalUniversity
1) Effective with amounts earned by the en acceptance of this agreement by the employ not exceed the amount permitted under Sec	yer responsible	for ensuring that the	e amount of salary reduction does
2) The <u>total contribution</u> requested by the ethat the contributions do not exceed the am the Internal Revenue Code.	employee is sount permitted		loyee is responsible for ensuring (g), 403(b) and 414 (v) of
3) The Employer will remit this contribution without undue influence by the Employer.	on to employee	(plan).	The plan was selected by the
4) This agreement shall be legally binding Leave. This agreement is in accordance with			payout of any unused Annual
5) This agreement is not a contract of empl would otherwise be due the employee if this is in conflict with the employee's contract of	is agreement ha	nd not been executed	. If any portion of this agreement
Employee ID	Employee Work/Pager#		Employee Date of Birth
Employee Signature	Date		
	HRM USE (	ONLY	
Payroll Code:		Last Day Emp	loyed:/_ /
VTD Contribution* Projected V	TD.	Regular Contri	bution Amount:
YTD Contribution*: Projected YTD: *Check 401(k) and/or 403(b) contribution totals			
		AL Contribution	on Amount:
		Total Contribu	tion Amount:
Employer Signature	Date		

# **Supplemental Retirement Plans Contact Information**

401(k), 457, Roth 401(k) https://southcarolinadcp.gwrs.com	South Carolina Deferred Compensation Program	Bruce Liegel 843-830-5212 bruce.liegel@empower-retirement.com
	AIG Retirement Services	Crystal Avant 843-300-8767 crystal.avant@aig.com  Mark Taylor 843-300-2775 marksc.taylor@aig.com
402.7		Ryan Radloff 541-735-0739 Ryan.Radloff@aig.com
403(b) www.myretirementmanager.com	Fidelity	Jared McVey 704-614-4167 jared.mcvey@fmr.com
	MassMutual	Hugh Kinlaw 413-209-2128 hubert.kinlaw@empower-retirement.com
	MetLife	Peter Collins 843-343-7634 PCollins@familyfmg.com
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