Pension E-News



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.

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.



2022 Legislative Updates

In 2022, the Illinois General Assembly passed two measures designed to help address the shortage of substitute teachers/administrators.

Public Act 102-1090 increases the number of days on which a retiree can return to work on a temporary and non-annual or hourly basis from 120 to **140**. Additionally, the compensation limit previously in effect has been removed. **This legislation is effective July 1, 2022, and expires June 30, 2024**.

Public Act 102-1013 allows a retiree to return to work *without limitation or* cancellation of their pension if they are employed in a subject shortage area for an employer that has demonstrated that they cannot otherwise fill the position(s). **This legislation was enacted May 27, 2022, and expires June 30, 2024.**

SUMMARY OF TEMPORARY OR NON-ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT LIMITS

The Temporary and Non-Annual Re-Employment Chart located at ctpf.org/returntowork defines the temporary and non-annual re-employment limitations.

OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

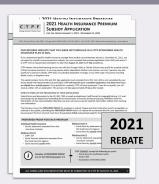
<u>The CTPF Administrative Rules - Return to Work</u> were amended June 16, 2022, and **no longer apply to individuals working for third party vendors** or as *bona fide* independent contractors.

QUESTIONS

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

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.

Medicare Scam: Don't Divulge Your ID Number When a Stranger Calls

The Illinois Department on aging is again warning Medicare recipients about Medicare fraud. Scammers call with a story about the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issuing more permanent plastic coverage cards, and asking card holders to confirm their ID number – this is false. New plastic cards are not being issued. You should not share any personal information – and with all phone calls asking for personal information the safest thing to do is hang up. Medicare will NEVER call you for personal information over the phone. Click here to learn more.

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 <u>memberservices@ctpf.org</u> 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.

Register today at myCTPF

New features have been added to the *myCTPF* Member Self-Service Portal. These updates offer an even more accessible and efficient *myCTPF* experience.



- Active members can now request an estimate of your CTPF retirement benefit (if you meet the eligibility requirements) and then view, download, and print when they are available.
- Active members, retirees, and survivors can view correspondence addresses through the portal.
- myCTPF is now accessible to surviving spouses.

Register today at **myCTPF.org**.

CTPF Appreciates Your Feedback

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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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