Employer Notice

Administrative Rule amendments effective March 23, 2015

Who should read this notice

Finance directors, chief administrative officers, human resources and benefits professionals

Situation overview

During its November, 2014 and March 2015 meetings, the OPERS Board of Trustees approved changes to Administrative Rules, which will be emergency filed to be effective March 23, 2015. A listing of amended rules and titles are included below.

Service Purchase

1. Rule145-1-35 - Service Purchase

Re-employment

- 1. Rule 145-1-74 Re-employment restrictions applicable to a member
- 2. Rule 145-1-77 Re-employment of Member-Directed or Combined Plan participant

Elections to Participate and Changes to Elections

- 1. Rule 145-1-81 Retirement plans
- 2. Rule 145-1-88 Changes to election to participate
- 3. Rule 145-1-89 Transfer of contributions under rule 145-1-88 of the Administrative Code

Service Credit

- 1. Rule 145-2-02 Additional liability for service purchases in the Traditional Pension Plan
- 2. Rule 145-2-03 Purchase of workers' compensation service
- 3. Rule 145-2-10 Intersystem transfers with non-uniform systems
- 4. Rule 145-2-18 Service credit in the Traditional Pension Plan for participation in Combined Plan or Member-Directed Plan

Disability

- 1. Rule 145-2-21 Application for a disability benefit
- 2. Rule 145-2-22 Receipt of disability benefits
- 3. Rule 145-2-23 Disability appeals
- 4. Rule 145-2-25 Combined disability benefits
- 5. Rule 145-2-27 Disability benefit recipient's annual statement



Combined Plan Service Credit

- 1. Rule 145-3-23 Additional liability for service purchases in the Combined Plan
- 2. Rule 145-3-40 Service credit in the Combined Plan for participation in Member-Directed Plan

What employers need to do

The information contained here is a high-level overview to keep employers informed of changes to Administrative Rules pertaining to the organization, operational policies, definitions and administration. Employers are encouraged to be knowledgeable about all aspects of each Administrative Rule change.

Those who want to read the primary documentation for all Administrative Rule changes will find exact information about all Administrative Rules on the Register of Ohio website, http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/.

Whom to contact for more information

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