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## TELL YOUR EMPLOYEES TO GET IN THE GAME DURING NATIONAL RETIREMENT SECURITY MONTH

*Presented by Empower Retirement,  
recordkeeper of the PERSI Choice 401(k) Plan*

Does the idea of a good challenge get your competitive juices flowing? Then set yourself the challenge of improving your retirement readiness during National Retirement Security Month (NRSM), October 2021.

NRSM is an annual event presented by Empower Retirement that highlights the importance of saving and investing for the future income you'll need and want.

But instead of thinking of that process as another item on a long to-do list, why not think of it as a game where you can make your next move and emerge a winner?

Here are some suggestions to get you started:



### **INCREASE YOUR CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT**

One of the best strategies for a winning approach to your financial future is to regularly increase the amount you contribute to your PERSI Choice 401(k) Plan account. Complete the PERSI Pay-check Contribution Election Form to get started today!

### **SCHEDULE A ONE-ON-ONE SESSION AND MAKE ANY NEEDED ADJUSTMENTS**

Meet with your local retirement plan counselor, Ali or Bruce, to review your account and discuss your specific financial situation and retirement income goals. Schedule an appointment.

### **ATTEND AN UPCOMING WEBINAR**

This is your opportunity to learn how to make the dominos fall in your favor to help ensure you're dealt a winning retirement hand. Visit [mypersi401k.com](http://mypersi401k.com) for the latest webinar schedule and register today!

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When it comes to planning and saving for retirement, it doesn't have to be hard work. It can be fun! Make your next move to get in the game during National Retirement Security Month, October 2021.

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## **ARE YOU READY TO MAKE THE NEXT MOVE TOWARD YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE? JOIN AN UPCOMING WEBINAR. SPACE IS LIMITED. REGISTER TODAY!**

October 6 / Wednesday <b>Investing in Your Retirement Account</b>	12:30 PM MDT	<a href="#"><u>CLICK HERE TO REGISTER</u></a>
October 13 / Wednesday <b>Retirement Readiness</b>	12:30 PM MDT	<a href="#"><u>CLICK HERE TO REGISTER</u></a>
October 20 / Wednesday <b>Boost Your Savings</b>	12:00 PM MDT	<a href="#"><u>CLICK HERE TO REGISTER</u></a>
October 27 / Wednesday <b>Benefit Summit</b>	9:30 AM MDT	<a href="#"><u>CLICK HERE TO REGISTER</u></a>

In addition to webinars, your local Retirement Plan Representatives, Ali and Bruce, are available for one-on-one virtual appointments. **SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT TODAY!**

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## ATTEND A PERSI WORKSHOP VIRTUALLY OR IN-PERSON

PERSI trainers have made preparing for retirement even easier with virtual and in-person workshops. Members can register for live online or in-person workshops to learn how to reach their retirement goals.

Whether it is a virtual or in-person workshop, members will have the opportunity to ask questions during the workshop. There will also be additional time to ask further questions at the end of each workshop.

Our trainers have custom-designed workshops for members in different stages of their careers to learn how to better prepare for retirement and about their PERSI retirement benefits.

The following workshop descriptions will help you decide which workshop is right for you:

**READY** workshops are for anyone just starting a career with a PERSI employer. They provide a general overview of what PERSI is and the benefits it provides for PERSI members.

**SET** workshops are for those in mid-career with a PERSI employer. SET workshops focus on how vesting changes PERSI benefits and things to consider in planning for retirement.

**GO!** workshops are designed for late-career PERSI members who may be approaching or contemplating retirement.

*NOTE: To protect personal information, members can obtain benefit estimates through the myPERSI portal or by calling the PERSI Answer Center at 1-800-451-8228 or 208-334-3365.*

*To register for a workshop, go to the PERSI workshop registration page and click "Contact Us" to schedule a workshop. If you have a question, please call the PERSI Answer Center at 1-800-451-8228 or at 208-334-3365.*

**CHECK FOR A WORKSHOP HERE**



**WORKSHOPS**

## DIRECTOR DRUM WRAPPING UP MEETING WITH LEADERSHIP

PERSI Executive Director Don Drum is wrapping up meeting with directors, administrators, leadership, and upper management.

He is very appreciative of everyone that attended one of his meetings and provided valuable feedback and their concerns.

Your comments will help PERSI going forward with plans and future considerations.

## QUICK TIPS FROM THE EMPLOYER SERVICE CENTER

PERSI's Employer Service Center (ESC) is here to help! Below are some quick tips to help your processes for reporting to PERSI.

- PERSI requires current addresses for your employees. Addresses are easily updated through your transmittal to PERSI. Call us if you need help.
- Contact your payroll tech or ESC at PERSI if you have submitted an employee's Social Security number incorrectly. We can help.
- When submitting an employer form to PERSI, please make sure it is the most current version with a barcode in the lower-right corner of the form. Find forms online under the "Employers" tab.

If you have any employer-related questions and cannot find the answer on PERSI's website, [www.persi.idaho.gov](http://www.persi.idaho.gov), please call the PERSI Employer Service Center at 1-800-451-8228 or 208-334-3365.

The Employer Service Center can help you with forms, transmittals, GASB information, and much more. ESC is open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time.