



PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT

from the Programs Team

Did you know? Registering for and regularly signing in to your secure *myPERSI* online member portal is one of the simplest ways to help protect your PERSI Base Plan account information.

Fraudsters use sophisticated methods to gain access to financial accounts, so it's important you take action. Registering for your secure *myPERSI* online member portal establishes your personal username and password, helping prevent *someone else* from attempting to create an account using your information. If you haven't registered yet, doing so now helps ensure you maintain control of your online identity and account access.

Once your account is set up, make it a habit to sign in periodically to review your information. Regularly monitoring your account allows you to verify that your personal information is accurate and quickly identify anything that doesn't look right. Early detection is one of the best defenses against unauthorized access or fraudulent activity.

New! Log into your *myPERSI* online member portal to make any changes to your name or address. This is an important update as previously this could only be done through your employer.

Even if you don't expect to make changes today, registering for your account and routinely checking it can provide added peace of mind and help safeguard your information.

Need help or want to learn more? PERSI offers live workshops where you can learn how to register and use all of the updated tools and resources in your *myPERSI* member portal. You can browse and register for upcoming workshops using this link: [NEW: Your myPERSI Member Portal](#). Or, if you learn better in person, ask your employer to host a PERSI workshop where you work.

If you haven't registered yet, there's no better time to get started. Take a few minutes to claim your secure myPERSI account today using this link: <https://mypersi.idaho.gov>.

If you have a PERSI Choice 401(k) Plan account, you can register that account, if you haven't already, at mypersi401k.com.

If you have questions, call the PERSI Answer Center at 1-800-451-8228 or at 208-334-3365.



RETURN-TO-WORK LEGISLATION EFFECTIVE AS OF JULY 1, 2026

During this past legislative session, amendments were made to Idaho Code pertaining to PERSI's return- to-work provisions. The following amendments are now effective.

Senate Bill 1261 amended Idaho Code Section 59-1356(3) by expanding the provision to include individuals who are appointed to an elected office, allowing them to continue receiving their PERSI retirement benefit under the same conditions, as if they were elected to the office.

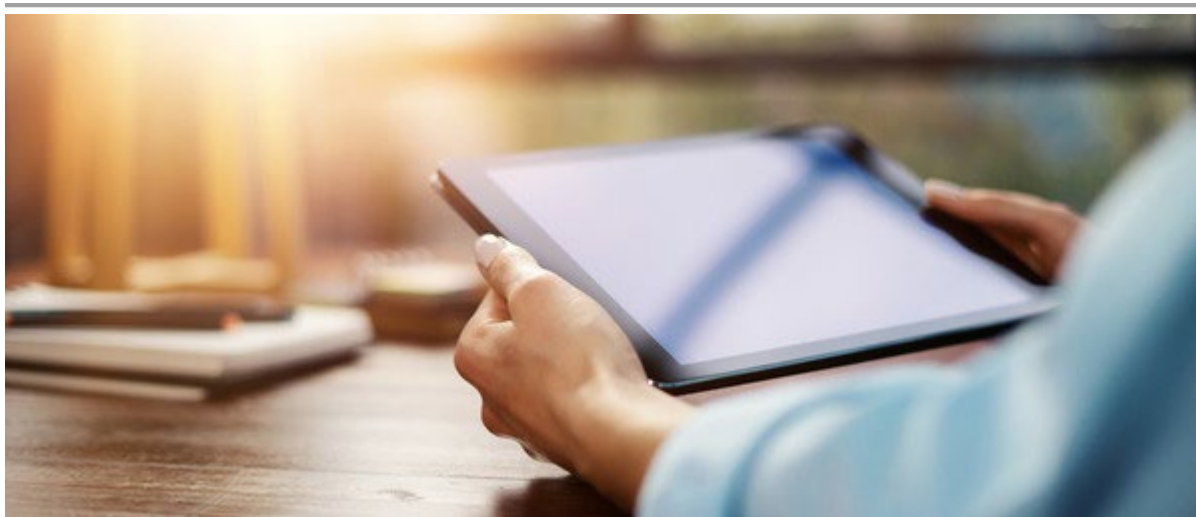
Senate Bill 1276 amended Idaho Code Section 59-1356(5) by removing the sunset provision that restricts retired employees from returning to work.

This means that retirees currently working under this provision may continue in their roles without interruption, and no action is required from them at this time.

PERSI has sent letters directly to affected retirees confirming this update.

Additionally, the bill expands eligibility to include individuals who retired prior to January 1, 2026.

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NEWSLETTER IS GOING SEMIANNUAL

Beginning this September (2026), active member newsletters will be published on a semiannual schedule – September and March.

Featured topics for September will feature:

- Legislation
- Choice Plan

- PERSI Workshops
- Fraud and Scams
- Other

Newsletters published in March will highlight:

- Contribution Rates
- Annual Rate of Return
- Fiscal Update
- Other

In addition to the subjects mentioned, topics of importance will be included as needed. PERSI will also send email alerts to members when important, time-sensitive information needs to be shared.



ARE YOU PREPARING RETIREMENT? DO YOU NEED HELP UNDERSTANDING MEDICARE?

If you are thinking about retiring or still working but nearing age 65, you may be confused about how Medicare works and the many other options you have for health insurance.

Idaho's Department of Insurance and their Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) program can help.

SHIBA can help people understand Medicare – how it works, the advantages and disadvantages of each option, and how to avoid costly mistakes like coverage gaps, penalties, and enrollment errors.

They can help Idahoans find the right plan for their health, prescriptions, and individual needs.

Also, they can help with complaints, appeals, and grievances in the event of claim denials, billing disputes, or other issues. SHIBA has many counseling sites throughout Idaho, and counselors are available to assist beneficiaries or their caregivers. Services are free and unbiased.

To learn more about SHIBA, register for a SHIBA Medicare workshop, or schedule an appointment with a counselor, call 1-800-247-4422.

For more information, tools, and other valuable information, visit the SHIBA, website at <https://doi.idaho.gov/shiba/>.