



PERSpectives

Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho

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PERSI LISTENED TO RETIREES & NEWSLETTERS WILL GO PAPERLESS

After receiving valuable feedback from retirees, PERSI is modernizing the way we communicate with members.

Beginning this September (2026), retiree newsletters will be emailed to retired members to the email address on record in your *myPERSI* account or by subscribing at <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/IDPERS/subscriber/new>.

In addition to retiree newsletters being emailed, newsletters will now be published on a triannual schedule – January, June, and September.

Newsletters will focus on:

- postretirement allowance adjustment(s)
- fiscal year update
- 1099 tax information
- legislation that may impact retirees
- fraud and scams

In addition to the mentioned subjects, 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.

Going paperless will bring positive changes and ensure members are informed in the quickest possible way. This will also help us save resources and improve our carbon footprint.

Retiree newsletters will continue to be posted to PERSI's website under the NEWS tab, at <https://www.persi.idaho.gov/news/>.

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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.

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

INVESTMENTS UPDATE

Learn more about PERSI's investments at www.persi.idaho.gov/investments/.

In addition to the fiscal year-end investment report, monthly reports are posted where you can read about fund performance, current allocations, and strategy comments.

The compilation of unaudited data collected from a variety of sources is for informational purposes, only.

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DO YOU NEED HELP UNDERSTANDING MEDICARE?

Whether you are already retired 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

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PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT

REGISTER FOR YOUR *myPERSI* ACCOUNT

from the PERSI Programs Team

As a PERSI retiree, your monthly retirement pension is an important part of your financial future – making it essential to protect your account.

Registering for and regularly signing in to your secure *myPERSI* online member portal is a simple step you can take to help safeguard your PERSI Base Plan account and personal information.

Registering for your *myPERSI* 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 access.

Once you've registered, sign in periodically to review your information. Regular monitoring can help you spot unauthorized changes early and reduce the risk of fraudulent access.

It's also a convenient way to verify your contact information, access important tax documents, update direct

deposit information when needed, and stay informed about your retirement benefits.

Maintaining online access to your *myPERSI* account helps you securely manage your retirement information anytime, from anywhere.

Even if you don't need to make changes today, registering for your portal and logging in regularly provides an added layer of protection and peace of mind.

And as a reminder, don't let emails or mail from PERSI go unopened – correspondence may contain important information about your account.

If you haven't registered yet, simply visit www.persi.idaho.gov, click the *myPERSI* Login button in the top right corner of the page and follow the prompts to register as a new user.

Peace of mind starts by staying connected with PERSI. A few minutes today can help protect your retirement for years to come.

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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/>.

HOLIDAYS

PERSI will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

- Monday, September 7 – Labor Day
- Monday, October 12 – Columbus Day

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