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Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 10:41 AM
To: Judy Dolan
Subject: PACRA: JUNE-JULY 2020 REMINDERS AND UPDATED INFORMATION!
Attachments: EGWP Reimbursement Form. FROM WENDY 01302020.pdf; KAHN SUMMARY 07242020.pdf; PACRA BOARD MEETING DATES 20-21 AND MEMBERS 20-22.pdf; ANNUAL MEETING MEMBER RENEWAL FORM 02172020.pdf

Hi Everyone!

YOUR PACRA BOARD HOPES YOU ARE STAYING WELL AND GETTING OUT-AND-ABOUT A BIT IN THIS WEEK 20 OF THE COVID-19 SAGA!

This email is being sent as a Bcc to 2020-2021 PACRA members for whom we have email addresses; feel free to forward to others!

Following is a summary of activities and campus meetings that your PACRA Board thinks you may find useful; it includes links/attachments for clarification. **ENJOY!!**

REMINDER: DEPENDENT AUDIT FROM HR VIA UNIFY HR 7/31/2020: Documentation due date

Below is a timeline of communications to those of you who have dependents listed on your Palomar College insurance plan.

COMMUNICATION DATES FROM UNIFY HR:

- 5/26/2020: Alert letter generated and mailed USPS
- 6/8/2020: Verification Request letter generated and mailed USPS
- 6/17/2020: Email reminder 1
- 7/1/2020: Reminder letter generated and mailed USPS
- 7/14/2020: Email reminder 2

Further details (from *Wendy Corbin*, Supervisor, Benefits
benefits@palomar.edu / (760)744-1150 X-2889 / Fax (760)761-3530)

- 1.** The dependent audit was a FCMAT recommendation and we needed to have it completed for the upcoming fiscal year; ***the main purpose of the eligibility verification is to ensure that the District is not covering ineligible dependents***
- 2.** All communication will be handled by **Unify HR** so the employee should watch for postal mail and email communication from them
- 3.** Once the employee has provided all required documentation, they will receive confirmation from **Unify HR** and they will no longer receive the postal/email communication
- 4.** If an employee struggles to provide documentation **Unify HR** will work with them to try to find solutions

REVIEW OF EGWIP REIMBURSEMENT

Just a reminder that you can be reimbursed for any out-of-pocket cost to you for Medicare Part D!

Effective October 1, 2019, Palomar College retired Anthem PPO medical enrollees over 65 are required to enroll in *Employer Group Waiver Plans (EGWP)* which is a group sponsored Medicare Part D plan. There is no cost to the program if your modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) is less than \$85,000 (single) or \$170,000 (married/file jointly). If your tax filings are higher, there is a cost that you would be responsible to pay to Medicare. ***Should you incur a cost for Medicare Part D, Palomar College will reimburse such cost to you.***

➤ ***How do I receive reimbursement for Medicare Part D? Attached*** is the ***Employer Group Waiver Plans (EGWPs) Reimbursement Request*** developed by HR to ensure you receive your reimbursement for Medicare Part D if applicable.

➤ ***Don't know your dollar amount??*** This amount is located on your ***2019 Form SSA-1099 Social Security Benefit Statement, Medicare Prescription Drug Premiums (Part D) deducted from your benefits.***

ONGOING CAMPUS BUDGET MEETINGS AND ACTING PRESIDENT KAHN'S CAMPUS UPDATES

The college continues to hold regular budget meetings and Dr. Kahn continues his ***daily*** updates in an effort to get out from under the budget dilemma. ***Click on the following link for the next Zoom meeting:***

Join the COVID-19 Campus Update on Thursday, July 30 at 4:00 p.m.

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/520394277>

Or iPhone one-tap (US Toll): +16699006833,520394277# OR

+13462487799,520394277#

Or Telephone:

Dial:

+1 669 900 6833 (US Toll)

+1 346 248 7799 (US Toll)

+1 646 876 9923 (US Toll)

+1 253 215 8782 (US Toll)

+1 301 715 8592 (US Toll)

+1 312 626 6799 (US Toll)

Meeting ID: 520 394 277

International numbers available: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/awAxECQRZ>

Or Skype for Business (Lync):

<SIP:520394277@lync.zoom.us>

Attached is a summary of his July 24 email to the campus.

HR AND GB INFORMATION

<https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/hr/retiree-information-page/>

<https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/covid19/>

The Governing Board meets on Zoom on the following dates and times:

<https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/governingboard/files/2017/12/2020-Board-meeting-Schedule.pdf>

INFO FROM THE CCC WEBSITE

<https://www.cccco.edu/About-Us/News-and-Media/Todays-News>

The purpose of *Today's News* is to disseminate media accounts about the California Community Colleges and related issues throughout the system.

INFO FROM PACRA: <https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/pacra/>

Attached is a .pdf file of the 2020-21 *PACRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS* as well as our Board meeting dates on ZOOM

Thank you for your overwhelming vote of confidence in electing the 2020-2022 Board of Directors; your continued support energizes us to keep going! Several Board members continue to attend the college Zoom meetings covering the Budget and Dr. Kahn's Daily Updates. As mentioned above, we encourage you to take a look on occasion—you can change your Zoom settings so that you are muted and that your picture does not show; only your name will be visible as a participant—that works for me!!

Summary of May 21 PACRA Board meeting:

- PACRA BC Committee members reported on HR audit of members' dependents to be managed by Unify HR
- Tom reported a total of 114 members have renewed for 2020-21 (**Note:** as of this email, there are now 150 members!)
- The *PACRA Pacer* and the Directory will be finalized at the Aug 17 Board meeting; they will be USPS mailed to all members in September
- Judy Cater reported the results of the response to the April 2020 mailing of the *Official Ballot for the Approval of Election of Officers*:
 - 76 members responded; 1 ballot was invalid = 75 ballots were counted
 - 75 members approved the Secretary and Treasurer positions
 - 73 members approved the first Member At-Large position
 - 72 members approved the second Member At-Large position
- Regarding the survey included in the *April 16 Annual Meeting Cancellation* mailing about our Group 1 medical coverage:
 - There were several negative comments

- Some commented OK
- Some commented much worse / not equal to
- Some commented that paperwork is not easy and is probably not saving the District any money
- A few commented on paying out-of-pocket drug costs because no generic brand is offered

Our first PACRA Board meeting for 2020-2021 is *THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020, ON ZOOM*. If you would like to attend, please let Bob Larson know so he can send you an eVite—thank you: **blarson350@gmail.com OR 760-724-2844**

Please let us know of any concerns you would like us to address.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2020-21 —be assured your voice is being heard at the District and Governing Board levels!
If you know someone who would like to join and support our efforts—the forms are on the website (and one is attached!!)

NOTE: Wondering who to support for the PC Board on Nov 3?? Watch for updates on these sites and how you can help:

PFF (Palomar Faculty Federation): <https://www.palomarfacfed.org/cope>

CCE (Council of Classified Employees): <http://www.palomarcceaft.org/cope-committee-on-political-education/>

Judy Dolan, Secretary (on behalf of the PACRA Board)