

Your PACRA Board hopes you are well and enjoying a beautiful Summer, wherever you may be!!

This email is being sent as a Bcc to 2020-2021 PACRA members for whom we have email addresses—with the hope that you will consider renewing your membership for the 2021-2022 year--please see more info at the end of this email—thanks!

OPEN ENROLLMENT, AUGUST 1–27 (WORDING VERIFIED WITH HR!)

You should have received the **RETIREE INSURANCE BENEFITS Open Enrollment 2021-2022** postcard. (I have attached my postcard in case you didn't get one)

ALL YOUR CURRENT BENEFITS WILL REMAIN IN PLACE WITH NO ACTION REQUIRED

To review your benefits package, go to your PC benefits portal at

<http://www.ebenefits.com/palomar>:

(*Note:* if you have not done so, be sure to enroll by clicking on the [Register Now!](#) link)

▪ **IF** you would like to make changes, you can review your benefits and make the required elections via the e-Benefits Portal ([instructions attached](#)) *Changes that you can make in the e-Benefits Portal:*

- ❖ Medical and/or Dental insurance plan changes
- ❖ Add/Remove dependents
- ❖ Contact benefits@palomar.edu for any other changes

▪ **To hear about the benefit plans, there are two retiree workshops being offered:**

- ❖ Wednesday, August 4 from 9:00am to 10:30am
- ❖ Tuesday, August 10 from 9:00am to 10:30am
- ❖ Zoom weblink: <https://palomar-edu.zoom.us/j/92852935745>
- ❖ Zoom dial-in: (669)900-9128 ID# 92852935745

HR RETIREE INFORMATION / RESOURCE PAGE:

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

PALOMAR RETIREMENT BENEFITS

<https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/hr/employees/retirement/>

UPDATE YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Email benefits@palomar.edu to update your *Emergency* and *Contact* info, if necessary

Note: we continue working on the Retiree Open-Enrollment Benefits Guide so it won't be available on July 23! It WILL be available, however, prior to the August 4 benefits webinar!

LINKS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO YOU

Biden officials release first rules implementing **ban on surprise medical bills:**

<https://share.smartnews.com/LFgkA>

WEBINAR AUGUST 12, 2021:

This is a link to the *Military Spouse Education and Career Opportunities (SECO) Program* through the Department of the Defense:

https://iqconnect.house.gov/igextranet/view_newsletter.aspx?id=100579&c=CA50DI

INFO FROM THE CDC

About Variants of the Virus that Causes COVID-19:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/variant.html?utm_campaign=20210721_cvd_prv_gal&utm_content=english&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

IF YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED: How to Protect Yourself and Others

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html>

IF YOU ARE NOT VACCINATED:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/How-Do-I-Get-a-COVID-19-Vaccine.html>

FOR OUR 2020-2021 MEMBERS:

We are now into our July 2021-June 2022 membership year—and hope that you will consider rejoining soon—we appreciate your support, comments, notes, questions, phone calls, emails, etc., to help us keep you informed of issues that concern your Palomar College benefits!!

A Membership Renewal form is attached; or you can renew on our PACRA webpage:

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



Oceanside Pier at Sunset

ATTACHMENTS

- Sample Open Enrollment Postcard
- eBenefits User Guide
- 2021-2022 Membership Renewal Form

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