



Please print, complete, and mail, fax, or email this form to the Board of Pensions.

Use this form to continue Benefits Plan participation when you are temporarily unemployed and actively seeking church service; enrolled for full-time, church-related postgraduate studies; or subject to a disciplinary process. **The appropriate written verification must be received to activate coverage.**

Note: Benefits continuation through transitional participation coverage is available for up to 24 months for ministers and graduated seminary students.

Verification Requirements

For ministers, graduated seminary students, postgraduates, and ministers under discipline, the member's presbytery must provide written verification that the member is unemployed and include the reason for unemployment (e.g., the member is seeking a church-related service, is a full-time student, or is currently under discipline). Postgraduates will also need to submit written verification from the school that the member has full-time student status in an advanced degree program.

Member Information

Name	SSN	
Address		
City	State	ZIP
Daytime Phone ()	Email	

Is your spouse also a member of the plan as a result of his/her employment? Yes No

Check status under which you will continue plan participation:

- temporarily unemployed or graduated from seminary and seeking church service
- postgraduate studies
- subject to a disciplinary process leading to leave from employment or unemployment

Benefits

You may continue benefits only in effect on the date your employer-paid benefits ended. You may not continue Retirement Savings Plan contributions and supplemental disability coverage when not employed in eligible church service.

Check each benefit you want to continue:

- medical (*select coverage level*) Member-only Member + Spouse Member + Child(ren) Member + Family
- pension
- death and disability

Note, if you meet the Rule of 70 and elect not to continue medical and/or death benefits coverage, you may lose the opportunity to enroll for continued medical coverage and lose your eligibility for retiree death benefits upon retirement.



Optional Benefits

Check each benefit you want to continue:

supplemental death coverage (may be continued if death and disability coverage continues; check all that apply)

Member Spouse Child(ren)

Supplemental death coverage must be continued during a gap in service of 90 days or less to continue the same level of coverage into the new service.

dental (select coverage level)

Member-only Member + Spouse Member + Child(ren) Member + Family

Participation Basis

Select a salary participation basis for benefits selected. Dues are billed monthly in advance as a percentage of the basis you select. Note, members who continue medical coverage at the Member-only level will be billed on the medical continuation Member-only PPO cost of coverage.

current congregational teaching elders' median (see dues schedule on pensions.org for current congregational teaching elders' median salary)

last effective salary in the Board's records (subject to the minimums and maximums determined annually)

Authorization

I understand that transitional participation coverage is for currently protected ministers in Pastor's Participation who are actively seeking church service following termination of eligible service; are enrolled for full-time, church-related postgraduate studies; are subject to a disciplinary process that resulted in unemployment; or are graduated seminary student members who are seeking church service and do not have an unpaid balance from a prior period on a self-paid status.

I also understand that my transitional participation coverage will not be activated until authorization from the presbytery and/or school, if applicable, is received by the Board of Pensions.

Member Signature *(required)*

Date *(mm/dd/yyyy)*

Note: Coverage will be suspended if you do not pay your dues in full by the due date, and the Board will terminate coverage with no opportunity for reinstatement if two consecutive payments are missed.