

OE2026 Agency Job Aid

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Agency Resources

See the [Open Enrollment Administrator Website](#) for agency resources including:

- Links to ETF materials
- OE PowerPoint Template

See the [OE Communications & Queries page](#) for the following:

- Emails sent via Employee Messaging
- Agency email templates and queries
- Vendor communications

Pre-OE/Start of OE Agency Checklist

Reminders

- All SSO tickets relative to Open Enrollment issues should start “OE2026, Employee Name, Empl ID”

Tasks Leading Up to the Start of OE/right at the beginning of OE

- ☐ Send [Pre-OE Announcement](#) Email to employees by 10-03-25.
- ☐ As of 9-29-25, **do not move an employee’s primary benefits flag to a different empl record – submit a ticket if this is needed.**
- ☐ Run WRS Lookback on Mondays following payroll confirmation
- ☐ Run WI_BN_OPEN_EVENTS with a Schedule ID of EM2017 to manage events daily
 - Benefits Administration will also run at noon on 10/01-10/3 to help events move more quickly through the system.
- ☐ Complete the following by 10-02-25.
 - Complete entry on all open SHR events
 - For LTEs enrolling in health or OOS at 6 months – manually create/enter SHR events through 12-31-25.
 - Process all AGE events with an event date of 12-31-25 or earlier (preferably by 10/02)
 - Enter all life event applications as received (BIR, MAR, DIV)
 - Finalize all open termination events (TER, RET, TRA, TWB)
 - Finalize all events that need no entry
 - Encourage new hires to complete elections ASAP (OE event won’t open until HIR and SHR (if applicable) entry is done)
- ☐ Create a ticket if you have an employee in the DEF benefit program who wants to enroll in Pre-Tax Savings Plan during OE

BAS Group ID and OE for Employees with Multiple Jobs

BAS Group ID

Only employees who have an IYC BAS Group ID on their job will have an OE event. All active employees who are NOT in the DEF benefit program will get an IYC code (exception: if in DEF but currently enrolled in a Pre-Tax Savings plan, will get an IYC code).

The process to add the BAS Group ID to job was run on 9-29-25 (Monday). A process will run nightly during OE to populate this field and create an OE event for any newly eligible employees (new hires, newly WRS eligible).

Employees with Multiple Jobs

If an employee has more than 1 active job, the BAS Group ID is added to the benefits primary job.

- **Once the IYC code is on a job, agencies must not move the benefit primary flag to a different job**
- If there is no IYC code on the benefits primary job, the OE event will disconnect in the system and the employee won't be able to make their OE elections
 - Create a ticket if the benefits flag needs to be moved
- If the primary job is terminated but another job is active, create a ticket so the IYC code and benefits flag can be moved to the active job
- **From 9-29-25 until early 2026 (date TBD), agency must submit a ticket if the benefits flag needs to be moved**

Note: You may see NON, or DUP listed in the BAS Group ID Field. These people either have multiple benefit records or several active employment instances. These codes are added to make sure that only 1 OE event prepares for the person.

DEF Benefit Program

Employees in the DEF benefit program will NOT automatically have an OE event created for them (exception: if they are currently enrolled in a Pre-Tax Savings plan, they will get an IYC code). Most are only eligible for Parking/Transit Accounts. If in a non-LTE appointment, they are also eligible for Healthcare and Dependent Day Care FSA. If someone in the DEF benefit program wants to enroll in a Pre-Tax Savings plan during Open Enrollment, submit a ticket and Central Benefits will create an OE event for the employee, and they will be able to use eBenefits to enroll.

Deduction begin dates

Benefit event rules in the system set the Deduction Begin Date of an enrollment to the pay period prior to the coverage effective date. If this happens to be a C pay period (when no benefit deductions are taken), deductions begin on the next A pay period.

PAY PERIOD NUMBER	EARNINGS PERIOD	CHECK DATE	LIFE	HEALTH, DENTAL, VISION, ACCIDENT PLAN, ICI, PRE-TAX SAVINGS ACCOUNTS
1A	12/14/25-12/27/25	01/08/26	FEB	JANUARY
2B	12/28/25-01/10/26	01/22/26		

Health, Dental, Vision, Accident Plan, OOS Deduction Begin Dates

The deduction begin date of the enrollment (or waive) will be 12-14-25 (12-1-25 for LEG).

The enrollment in eBenefits will look like this:

Open Enrollment

Dental - Supplemental

IMPORTANT: Your enrollment will not be complete until you click SUBMIT and your choices are electronically sent to the Benefits Department. Please contact your Agency Payroll and Benefit Specialist with any questions.

Your Choice

You have chosen Delta Dental PPO Select Plus with Employee + Spouse coverage.

Your Estimated Per-Pay-Period Cost

Your Cost	\$22.26
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Your Covered Dependents

Dependent Information	
Name	Relationship
	Spouse

Notes

Once submitted, this choice will take effect on 01/01/2026. Deductions for this choice will start with the pay period beginning 12/14/2025.

Select the **Update Elections** button to store your choices.
 Select the **Discard Changes** button to go back and change your choices.

Healthcare FSA/LPFSA, Dependent Day Care FSA, Health Savings Account, Parking/Transit Accounts

The deduction begin date of the enrollment (or waive/term) will be 12-14-25 (first day of 2026 PP1).

The enrollment in eBenefits will look like this:

Open Enrollment

Healthcare FSA

IMPORTANT: Your enrollment will not be complete until you click SUBMIT and your choices are electronically sent to the Benefits Department. Please contact your Agency Payroll and Benefit Specialist with any questions.

Your Choice

You have chosen to enroll in the Limited Purpose FSA plan with an annual pledge of \$3,200.00.

Your Contributions

Your approximate per-pay-period contribution will be \$133.33.

Notes

Once submitted, this choice will take effect on 01/01/2026.
 Deductions for this choice will start with the pay period beginning 12/14/2025.

Select the **Update Elections** button to store your choices.
 Select the **Discard Changes** button to go back and change your choices.

Health Plan name changes in 2026

Dean Health Plan- Medica West and Mayo Clinic Health System will now be known as Medica West and Mayo Clinic.

Dean Prevea360 East now be known as Prevea360 East.

Common Ground will now be known as CareSource.

If you are currently enrolled in these plans, you do not need to do anything to remain in it.

SMP – will continue to be available in Florence County in 2026

SMP will continue to be available in 2026 for Florence County.

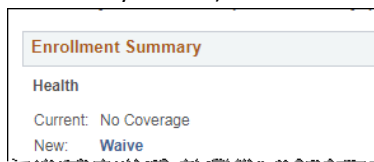
Opt-Out Stipend

Employees will apply for the Opt-Out Stipend through eBenefits. There is no need for an employee to complete a paper application to apply.

- During OE, employees will apply for OOS through eBN
 - Reminder- new hires must apply for stipend via paper health application. Agencies will enter OOS enrollment on either SHR or OOS event
- **NEVER enter Opt-Out Stipend directly to Additional Pay**
- Employees will be enrolled in the Opt-Out Stipend simple benefit plan
- Enrollment in the OOS plan will automatically create the OOS entry in Additional Pay
- When an employee terminates, the OOS plan enrollment and the OOS Additional Pay election will end when the TER/RET/TRA/TWB event is finalized.

The employee must take the following actions in eBenefits to enroll in the Opt-Out Stipend benefit plan.

1. Waive health insurance on the OE event (if not already waived)



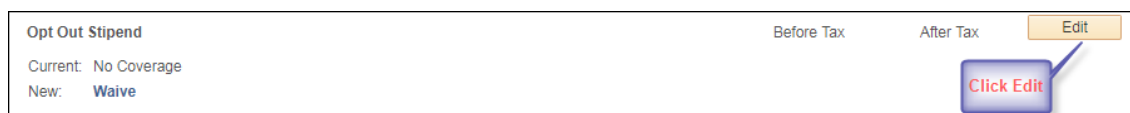
Enrollment Summary

Health

Current: No Coverage

New: **Waive**

2. Click on the Edit button next to Opt Out Stipend



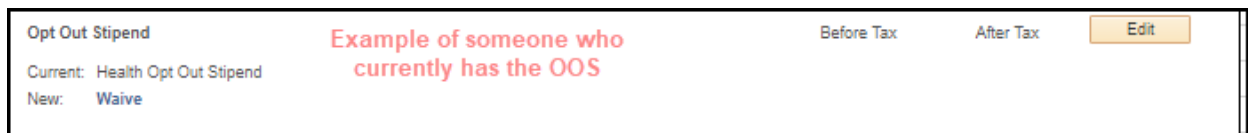
Opt Out Stipend

Before Tax After Tax **Edit**

Current: No Coverage

New: **Waive**

Click Edit



Opt Out Stipend

Before Tax After Tax **Edit**

Current: Health Opt Out Stipend

New: **Waive**

Example of someone who currently has the OOS

3. Answer the Opt Out Stipend validation questions correctly and click **Agree**
 - a. Once the employee answers the questions correctly, the validation will never appear to the employee again this year.

Benefits Certificate
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2026 Health Opt Out Stipend

Answer the questions below to confirm your eligibility for the Health Insurance Opt-Out Stipend for 2026. Prior to enrolling in the Opt-Out-Stipend, you must waive your health insurance in STAR.

Will you be covered by State or UW Health Insurance in 2026 either as an employee, spouse or child?

Answer

☐ No

☐ Yes

Have you waived your health insurance in STAR for 2026?

Answer

☐ Yes

☐ No

In 2015, if you were a state employee, were you covered by State Group Health Insurance?

Selection

☐ No

☐ Yes

☐ Not employee in 2015

I agree that I am eligible for the opt-out stipend and have waived my health insurance for 2026.

Agree

Decline

- b. If they answer incorrectly or click on Decline, the employee will get the following message. They will be able to try again if they click the Edit button again.

Election criteria not completed successfully. (3001,1033)

The information you have entered does not meet the minimum requirements to allow for an election of this plan type.

Complete the questionnaire again or contact the Benefits Department.

OK

4. The employee then enrolls in the Health Opt Out Stipend plan.

i Important! Your current coverage is: No Coverage. You must re-apply for the Health Insurance Opt-Out Stipend every year.

Select an Option

☐ No, I do not want to enroll

☒ Health Opt Out Stipend

Update and Continue

Discard Changes

5. Since there is no deduction associated with the plan, nothing will be listed in deductions on the eBN summary page; however total costs will be reduced by the amount of the stipend.

This table summarizes estimated costs for your new benefit choices.

Election Summary			
Summarized estimates for new Benefit Elections	Total	Before Tax	After Tax
Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Your Costs	-83.34	-83.34	0.00

These costs do not include certain choices that are based on variable earnings.

6. The Opt-Out Stipend will appear on the employee's Confirmation Statement

	Benefit Plan	Coverage/Annual Election	Pay Period Pre-Tax Deduction
Health	Waive		
State Group Life	Life - Basic+Suppl (2x salary)	\$166,000	\$15.77
State Group Life Additional	Life - 3 Additional Units	\$249,000	\$34.88
State Group Life Spouse & Dep	Life - 2 Units Spouse & Dep	2 Units	
ICI Standard	ICI Standard Coverage 6	Up to 75% of Salary	
ICI Supplemental	ICI Supplemental 6	Up to 75% of Salary	
Healthcare FSA	Terminated		
Opt Out Stipend	Health Opt Out Stipend	\$2,000 Stipend	
WI Deferred Comp Pretax	WI Def Comp		\$300.00

Once the OE event is finalized, the employee will be enrolled in the Opt-Out Stipend Benefit Plan and the OOS Additional Pay will automatically be created.

- If employee is re-enrolling in the OOS (received stipend in prior year)
 - The Employee will **NOT** get a new enrollment in Simple Benefits or Additional Pay (because coverage is continuous). The coverage begin date will be the first time the employee began receiving the OOS (this could be January 1st of a year or any other time if the employee last enrolled as a new hire).

Simple Benefits

Employee ID Benefit Record Number 0

Plan Type Find | View All First 1 of 1 Last

Plan Type A5 Opt Out Stipend

Coverage Find | View All First 1 of 1 Last

Coverage Begin Date 01/01/2018 *Deduction Begin Date 12/10/2017

Coverage Election

☒ Elect
 ☐ Waive
 ☐ Terminate
 *Election Date 10/25/2017

Benefit Program FTB WRS Eligible Non-LTE Employees

Benefit Plan OOS Health Opt Out Stipend

Create Additional Pay

Employee _____ Empl ID _____ Empl Record 0

Additional Pay Find | View All First 1 of 1 Last

*Earnings Code Opt Out Stipend

Effective Date Find | View All First 1 of 3 Last

Effective Date

Payment Details Find | View All First 1 of 1 Last

*Addl Seq Nbr End Date

Rate Code Reason

Earnings Hourly Rate

Hours Goal Amount

Goal Balance

Sep Check Nbr ☐ Disable Direct Deposit

☒ OK to Pay ☐ Prorate Additional Pay

Applies To Pay Periods

☒ First ☒ Second ☐ Third ☐ Fourth ☐ Fifth

[Job Information](#)

Note: If employee initially submits OE election and does NOT re-enroll in OOS, a termination row is added to the Simple Benefits page and a term date is added to OOS Additional Pay. When the employee goes back into their OE event and enrolls in the OOS, they WILL get a new row on the Simple Benefits page (with a 1-1-26 effective date), but they will NOT get a new row in Additional Pay (the process just removes the term date from the top of stack OOS Additional Pay row).

- **How OOS looks if enrolling for the 1st time**
 - Employees will have OOS enrollment effective 01-01-2026 and an Additional Pay effective date of 12-14-25 – the first payment will be on the first check payable in 2026).

Simple Benefits

Employee _____ ID _____ Benefit Record Number 0

Plan Type Opt Out Stipend

Coverage

Coverage Election

☒ Elect ☐ Waive ☐ Terminate

*Election Date

Benefit Program WRS Eligible Non-LTE Employees

Benefit Plan

Buttons: Save Return to Search Notify Refresh Update/Display Include History Correct History

Additional Pay

Employee Empl ID Empl Record 0

Additional Pay [Search] | < > 1 of 1 | View All

Earnings Code OOS Opt Out Stipend

Effective Date [Search] | < > 1 of 3 | View All

Effective Date 12/14/2025

Payment Details [Search] | < > 1 of 1 | View All

Addl Seq Nbr	1	End Date	
Rate Code		Reason	Benefits Administration Credit
Earnings	\$83.34	Hourly Rate	
Hours		Goal Balance	
Goal Amount		<input type="checkbox"/> Disable Direct Deposit	
Sep Check Nbr		<input type="checkbox"/> Prorate Additional Pay	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK to Pay			

Applies To Pay Periods

☒ First ☒ Second ☐ Third ☐ Fourth ☐ Fifth

- For the Legislature, the Additional Pay effective date is 12-1-25

Additional Pay

Lisa Maffei Employee Empl ID 200001717 Empl Record 0

Additional Pay [Search] | < > 1 of 1 | View All

Earnings Code OOS Opt Out Stipend

Effective Date [Search] | < > 1 of 1 | View All

Effective Date 12/01/2025

Payment Details [Search] | < > 1 of 1 | View All

Addl Seq Nbr	1	End Date	
Rate Code		Reason	Benefits Administration Credit
Earnings	\$166.67	Hourly Rate	
Hours		Goal Balance	
Goal Amount		<input type="checkbox"/> Disable Direct Deposit	
Sep Check Nbr		<input type="checkbox"/> Prorate Additional Pay	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK to Pay			

Applies To Pay Periods

☒ First ☐ Second ☐ Third ☐ Fourth ☐ Fifth

> Job Information

> Tax Information

Save Return to Search Notify Refresh Update/Display Include History Correct History

- No End Date populates in Additional Pay when the employee enrolls. This date will populate either when the employee terminates or doesn't re-enroll in the OOS plan during Open Enrollment.

How to Access OOS Certification

Only employees who enroll in the OOS **through eBenefits** will have a certification stored in STAR. For 2026, the certification is called **26 OPT OUT**. If a paper application is received, you should keep the original application in the employee's file. You do NOT have to send a copy of the application to ETF.

Navigation: Benefits Administration Dashboard – Benefit Enrollments Tile – Review Employee Benefits Folder – Maintain Certifications

Maintain Certifications

Employee

ID

Benefit Record Number

Certificates

| < > 1 of 1 View All

*Certificate ID 26 OPT OUT

*Plan Type Opt Out Stipend

*Effective Date 01/01/2026

Value 0

Certificate Maximum Value 4

> Dependent/Beneficiary ID

2026 Health Opt Out Stipend

Opt Out Stipend

*Status Active

Expiration Date

+ -

Save

Return to Search

Notify

Add

Update/Display

Include History

Correct History

Note: If an employee enrolls in both the OOS and the Delta Dental – Preventive Plan via eBenefits, the employee will have two certificates – one for OOS and one for Preventive Dental. You will need to click View All to see all certificates (including certificates from other years).

Maintain Certifications

Employee

ID

Benefit Record Number

Certificates

| < > 1 of 1 View All

*Certificate ID 26 DENPREV

*Plan Type Opt Out Stipend

*Effective Date 01/01/2026

Value 0

Certificate Maximum Value 2

> Dependent/Beneficiary ID

2026 Preventive Dental Cert

Opt Out Stipend

*Status Active

Expiration Date

+ -

Save

Return to Search

Notify

Add

Update/Display

Include History

Correct History

Paper Application Entry of OOS

If an employee gives you a paper application, encourage the employee to use eBenefits to enroll. If you need to do entry, make sure you Waive health insurance and scroll to the bottom of the Perform Election Entry page and enroll the employee in the OOS Benefits Plan.

Plan Type A5 : Opt Out Stipend

Option Code 01

Health Opt Out Stipend (OOS)

OOS Termination if No Election Made on OE Event

If someone is currently receiving the OOS and makes NO open enrollment election, enrollment in the OOS plan will terminate when the OE event is finalized. This will also terminate the Additional Pay enrollment.

Plan Type

Plan Type A5 Opt Out Stipend

Coverage

Coverage Begin Date 01/01/2025

*Deduction Begin Date 12/15/2024

Coverage Election

☐ Elect
 ☐ Waive
 ☒ Terminate

*Election Date 10/15/2024

Benefit Program FTB WRS Eligible Non-LTE Employees

Benefit Plan

Additional Pay

*Earnings Code OOS Opt Out Stipend

Effective Date

Effective Date 12/15/2024

Payment Details

*Addl Seq Nbr 1

End Date 12/15/2024

Rate Code

Reason Benefits Administration Credit

Earnings

OOS Validations

The following OOS eligibility validation will be done by Central Benefits:

- Confirm employee is not enrolled in both health insurance and OOS
- Look for employees who were enrolled in 2025 but not in 2026 (and didn't enroll in health for 2026)
- Will monitor OOS elections effective in the last quarter of 2025 to ensure they are notified of requirement to re-apply for 2026

- The list of open enrollment enrollees will be sent to ETF twice (in November and January). ETF will validate that the employee is not a covered dependent under the state health plan and confirm the employee is not on the list of people who are ineligible because they didn't carry health insurance in 2015 as an active state employee.
- A monthly file is also sent year-round to ETF to validate new enrollments.

Ongoing OOS Process

The agency must NEVER enter the stipend in Additional Pay. You must enroll the employee in the Opt-Out Stipend benefit program – this is what creates Additional Pay. When the employee terminates, enrollment in the OOS benefit plan will terminate and an end date will be populated in Additional Pay.

Delta Dental PPO – Preventive Plan

The Delta Dental PPO – Preventive Plan is only available to employees who are **not** covered by State Group Health Insurance as either an employee or dependent, regardless of whether they are enrolled in Uniform Dental. This plan has the same benefits as Uniform Dental, but the employee must pay the full cost (no employer contribution).

If enrolling in the plan for the first time or wants to change/waive coverage, the employee must take the following steps:

1. Waive health insurance on the OE event (if not already waived) if enrolling in Preventive Dental for the year.

The screenshot shows a form titled "Enrollment Summary" with a "Health" section. It displays "Current: No Coverage" and "New: Waive".

2. Click on the Edit button next to Dental – Preventive (no health)

The screenshot shows a table with one row: "Dental - Preventive(no health)". To the right of this row are columns for "Before Tax", "After Tax", and an "Edit" button, which is highlighted with a red box.

3. Answer the eligibility questions correctly and click **Agree**.
 - a. Once the employee answers the questions correctly, the validation will not appear to the employee again this year. The employee will be taken to the enrollment page if they either answer "No" to the first question and/or "Yes" to the second question.

The screenshot shows a "Benefits Certificate" for "2026 Preventive Dental Cert". It contains two questions:

1. "Will you be covered by State Health Insurance in 2026?" with radio button options for "No" and "Yes".

2. "If currently enrolled in Preventive Dental, do you want to waive coverage for 2026?" with checkbox options for "No", "Yes", and "Not enrolled in plan".

At the bottom, there is a note: "Click 'Agree' to go to the page to enroll in or waive Preventive Dental coverage." and two buttons: "Agree" (highlighted with a red box) and "Decline".

- b. If they answer incorrectly or click on Decline, the employee will get the following message. They will be able to try again if they click the **Edit** button again.

Election criteria not completed successfully. (3001,1033)

The information you have entered does not meet the minimum requirements to allow for an election of this plan type.

Complete the questionnaire again or contact the Benefits Department.

4. The employee then enrolls or waives coverage.

- a. Note – unlike the Supplemental Plan, the coverage levels available are Single and Family

Select an Option

Here Are Your Available Options With Your Costs:

[Overview of all Plans](#)

Select one of the following plans:

☒ [Delta Dental PPO Preventive](#) [Provider Link](#)

Coverage Level	Your Costs	Tax Class
<input type="radio"/> Employee Only	\$18.59	Before-Tax
<input type="radio"/> Family	\$46.49	Before-Tax

☐ Waive

5. Once the OE event is finalized, a record of the dental certificate is available (like the OOS)
 - a. **Navigation:** Benefits Administration Dashboard – Benefit Enrollments Tile – Review Employee Benefits Folder – Maintain Certifications
 - b. Certificate ID for 2026 = 26 DENPREV

Maintain Certifications

Employee	ID	Benefit Record Number
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Certificates

| < | > | 1 of 1 | [View All](#)

*Certificate ID

*Plan Type

*Effective Date

Value

Certificate Maximum Value 2

> [Dependent/Beneficiary ID](#)

2026 Preventive Dental Cert

Opt Out Stipend

*Status

Expiration Date

If currently enrolled in the plan:

- There is no annual certificate that must be completed (like the OOS) because coverage can remain continuous without any annual certification. Central Benefits monitors all Preventive Dental enrollments to ensure the employee is not also enrolled in State Group Health Insurance.
- If an employee is currently enrolled in the plan and clicks the “Edit” button in eBenefits for the plan, they will have to answer the questions to access the enrollment page.

Post Enrollment Validations

- Both during and after Open Enrollment, Central Benefits will monitor employees enrolled in both health insurance as an employee and the Delta Dental Preventive Plan and take the following actions (below actions have been approved by ETF):
 - If enrolled in health with dental, CB will waive enrollment in the preventive plan and contact the agency to reach out to the employee
 - If enrolled in health without dental, CB will waive enrollment in the preventive plan, add uniform dental to the health election and contact the agency to reach out to the employee
- Once the OE enrollment file is sent, ETF will compare the enrollments to everyone covered by state health insurance and adjustments will be made accordingly.

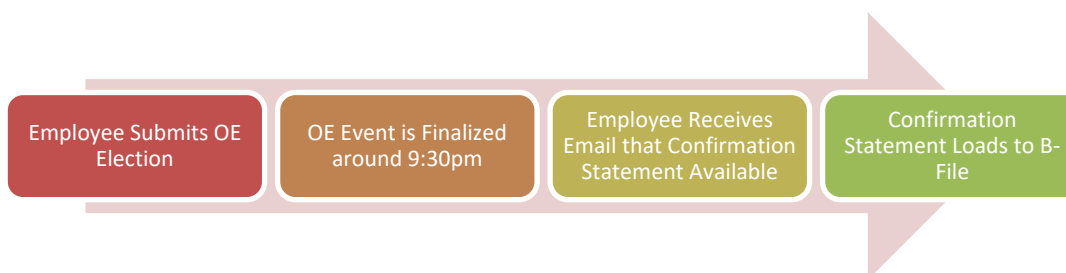
Retirees

- If you have an employee who knows they will be retiring on or before 1/1/26, they should complete paper applications to make benefit changes.
- The employee should not make changes within ESS because these changes will never go over to ETF.
- ETF is requesting retirees complete paper applications, and the agency send them to ETF for processing.
 - If faxing, be sure to include the EE name, ETF member ID and reason for fax (i.e., EE is retiring prior to 1/1/26).
 - ETF FAX number is 608-267-4549.
- *Per ETF: The instructions changed this year and are now documented in the [State Agency Health Insurance Standards, Guidelines and Administration Employer Manual \(ET-1118\)](#), Chapter 6, Section 601 F. Please review that section for information about how to complete the Continuation – Conversion Notice (ET-2311) for terminations after OE but before January 1.*

Confirmation Statements and Online Benefits File

Every time an employee submits their OE elections, they will receive a Confirmation Statement. The process to finalize OE events and generate confirmation statements will occur around 9:30pm each night. If the employee submits their OE elections after 9:30pm, there will be a one-day delay in the generation of the confirmation statement. The statement is housed in an Online Benefits File.


Confirmation Statement Creation Process



Below is the text that will be in the confirmation statement email.

Sample of the Confirmation Email text

January 1, 2026 Benefit Confirmation Statement Available


 OpenEnrollmentDoNotReply@wisconsin.gov
To

☺

↩ Reply

↩ Reply All

➡ Forward



⋮

Mon 9/29/2025 3:48 PM

Our records indicate that your 2026 Open Enrollment benefit elections have been processed. You can access your Open Enrollment Confirmation Statement from the STAR Human Resources Employee Self Service Landing Page. Click on the My Benefits Tile and then on My Benefit Documents to review your statement.

If you log in to eBenefits to review or change your elections, you will receive an updated confirmation statement.

You can access STAR self-service at <https://ess.wi.gov>.

Reminder: All elections must be submitted by Friday, October 31, 2025 (eBenefits will close at 11:59 pm on October 31).

How an Employee Views Confirmation Statement

- 1. Employee Self Service Landing Page – My Benefits Tile – My Benefit Documents. Click on the Icon to view the document.

Employee Self Service

Benefits Summary

Dependent Information

Health Care Summary

Health Care Dependent Summary

Life/Disability Summary




My Benefit Documents


View Form 1095-C

Form 1095-C Consent

Benefits File

Empl ID: [redacted] | [icon] | [icon]

Document Type	Number of Documents
<input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation Statements	1 
<input type="checkbox"/> Applications	0 
<input type="checkbox"/> Supporting Documents	0 

☐ Toggle Select 









Your Open Enrollment Confirmation Statement will be available the day after you submit your OE elections.


Confirmation Statements are the only documents currently stored in the Benefits File. Click on the icon to the far right in the Confirmation Statements row to see your Open Enrollment Confirmation Statement.

Refresh

- 2. Click on viewer next to most recent statement
 - a. Prior year confirmation statements will also be visible on this page.

Confirmation Statements

<input type="checkbox"/>	 Effective Date	Business Unit	Attached File	Status	
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2022	51500	OE2022_confirm_stmt_09-19-2021.pdf	Available	
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2021	51500	OE2021_confirm_stmt_09-30-2020.pdf	Available	
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2020	51500	OE2020_confirm_stmt_10-03-2019.pdf	Available	
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2019	51500	OE2019_confirm_stmt_11-15-2018.pdf	Available	
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2018	51500	OE2018_confirm_stmt_11-07-2017.pdf	Available	
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2018	51500	OE2018_confirm_stmt_10-20-2017.pdf	Available	

☐ Toggle Select 

Click on the View icon on the far right to see your Open Enrollment Confirmation Statement.

How Agency Can View Individual Confirmation Statement

- 1. Go to Benefits Administration Dashboard – Benefit Enrollments Tile – Review Employee Benefits Folder - Employee Benefit Documents
- 2. Enter name or Empl ID
- 3. Click Search

Employee Benefit Documents

Search Criteria

Employee ID

First Name

Last Name

- Click on View Documents

Search Results							Personalize Find View All	First 1 of 1 Last
Empl ID	Name	Payroll Status	Department	Department	Business Unit	Business Description	<input type="button" value="View Documents"/>	
100000	Bob Example	Active	4351000355	Inform Arch PHIN Section	43500	Health Services		

- This brings you to the employee's benefits file. Follow step 2 in **How an Employee Views Confirmation Statement** to access the statement.

How to View/Print Confirmation Statements for Entire Agency or Department

When this process is run, only the employee's most recent confirmation statement will be included.

- This process is running a report to generate a PDF of all confirmation statements. Go to the Nav Bar: Navigator and go to – State of Wisconsin (STAR) – Benefits Administration – Process – Print Confirmation Statements

Confirmation Statement Print

Enter any information you have and click Search. Leave fields blank for a list of all values.

Search Criteria

Run Control ID begins with

☐ Case Sensitive

- Enter Schedule ID (OE2026) and 5-digit Business Unit. Department is optional. A wildcard value will not work for Dept ID. Click Run.

Print Confirmation Statements

Run Control ID jap Report Manager Process Monitor

Sched ID

Business Unit

Department

- Don't change any data values on Process Scheduler Request and click OK.

Process Scheduler Request

User ID PERRYJXWWD Run Control ID jap

Server Name Run Date 09/18/2020

Recurrence Run Time 2:00:35PM

Time Zone

Process List

Select	Description	Process Name	Process Type	*Type	*Format	Distribution
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Print Confirmation Statements	WI_STMT_PRT	Application Engine	Web	TEXT	Distribution

4. Once the process runs to success, click on Details.

Process List Server List

View Process Request For

User ID: PERRYJWXD Type: Last 1 Days Refresh

Server: Name: Instance From: Instance To: Run Status: Distribution Status: Save On Refresh

Process List

Select	Instance	Seq.	Process Type	Process Name	User	Run Date/Time	Run Status	Distribution Status	Details
<input type="checkbox"/>	2820510		Application Engine	WI_STMT_PRT	PERRYJWXD	09/18/2020 2:00:35PM CDT	Success	Posted	Details

5. Click on View Log/Trace

Actions

09/18/2020 2:03:06PM CDT Parameters Transfer

09/18/2020 2:00:35PM CDT Message Log View Locks

09/18/2020 2:03:15PM CDT Batch Timings

09/18/2020 2:03:19PM CDT [View Log/Trace](#)

6. Click on the PDF that is created

Report

Report ID: 2887821 Process Instance: 3346005 Message Log

Name: WI_STMT_PRT Process Type: Application Engine

Run Status: Success

Print Confirmation Statements

Distribution Details

Distribution Node: PHRFIX Expiration Date: 12/19/2021

File List

Name	File Size (bytes)	Datetime Created
AE_WI_STMT_PRT_3346005.log	789	09/20/2021 1:15:01.194521PM CDT
AE_WI_STMT_PRT_3346005_0920131453.AET	4,179	09/20/2021 1:15:01.194521PM CDT
OE2022_agency_50500_confirmation_statements.pdf	23,041	09/20/2021 1:15:01.194521PM CDT

Sample Confirmation Statement

The confirmation statement includes ALL benefit elections as of 1-1-26.

CONFIRMATION OF 2026 ELECTIONS - Open Enrollment

Employee ID: Department ID: Statement Date: 9/29/2025 Effective Date: 01/01/2026 Event Class: OE

This notice is confirmation of the changes you made during the open enrollment period, as well as ongoing benefit elections. Please review this Benefit Confirmation carefully. It is your responsibility to report any errors to your benefits office by Friday, October 31, 2025. If all information is accurate, no action is required. Coverage listed below is effective January 1, 2026.

YOUR BENEFIT ELECTIONS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2026

	Benefit Plan	Coverage/Annual Election	Pay Period Pre-Tax Deduction	Pay Period After-Tax Deduction
Health	Quartz-UW Health w/ Dental	Family	\$164.50	
Dental - Supplemental	Delta Dental PPO Select Plus	Employee + Spouse	\$22.26	
Dental - Preventive(no health)	Delta Dental PPO Preventive	Employee Only	\$18.59	
Vision	MetLife Superior Vision	Employee + Spouse	\$4.70	
State Group Life	Life - Basic+Suppl (2x salary)	\$168,000	\$11.76	
State Group Life Additional	Life - 2 Additional Units	\$168,000	\$17.64	
State Group Life Spouse & Dep	Life - 2 Units Spouse & Dep	2 Units		\$2.10
ICI Standard	ICI Category 6	Up to 75% of Salary		
Accident Plan	Securian Accident Plan	Employee + Spouse		\$2.79
Healthcare FSA	Healthcare FSA	\$2,500	\$104.17	
Opt Out Stipend	Health Opt Out Stipend	\$2,000 Stipend		
WI Deferred Comp Roth	WI Def Comp - Roth			\$25.00

Confirmation Statements – What You Need to Know

- If previous coverage was Waive for the FSA/ERA/HSA plans and the OOS, if no enrollment was made on the OE event (either a Waive or an enrollment), coverage will display as **Terminated** on the confirmation statement.
- If there is no premium for a plan (ex. ICI Category 6), the per pay period amount will be blank.

Paper Application Entry

Agencies should encourage their employees to use eBenefits. If you do receive a paper application, you will enter it like any other paper application through Perform Election Entry (Benefits Administration Dashboard – Benefit Enrollments Tile – Event Processing Folder – Perform Election Entry).

Important Reminders:

- The Schedule ID = OE2026

The screenshot displays the 'Perform Election Entry' interface. At the top, there are three tabs: 'Event / Participant Selection' (active), 'Option Election', and 'Dependents / Beneficiaries'. Below the tabs, the 'Select By Participant' section is highlighted with a red box around the 'Schedule ID' field, which contains the value 'OE2026'. Other fields in this section include 'Empl ID', 'Ben Record' (set to 0), and 'Event ID'. A 'Search' button is located below these fields. To the right, the 'Data Entry Configuration' panel shows several checkboxes: 'Defer Dep/Benef Enrollment', 'Defer Savings Investments', 'Hide Unused Items and Links', and 'Validate When Saved' (which is checked). At the bottom of the interface, there is a 'Validate Elections' button and a row of three buttons: 'Save', 'Notify', and 'Refresh'.

- If OE event is not available for entry, submit an SSO ticket- Central Benefits will open the event for you
- Only plans with open enrollment are available for entry
- Current (2025) enrollments will be prepopulated on the OE event for the following plans:
 - Health (except for plans going away), Delta Dental Supplemental, Delta Dental Preventive, Accident Plan and Vision
- For all other plans (Pre-Tax Savings Account, HSA, OOS), the 2025 elections do not pull into the OE event because employees must re-enroll in these plans every year
- Never enter an override on HSA, Healthcare FSA, Limited Purpose FSA, Dependent Day Care FSA, Parking or Transit
 - Enter a POTT if you need to override the amount for any reason
- There is an issue with the Contribution Worksheet for the HSA/FSA/ERA Plans in Perform Election Entry. The number of pay periods is correctly displaying this year but the total annual contribution does not calculate correctly. If the annual election is correct, the paycheck amount will be correct.

Plan Type 60 : Healthcare FSA

Option Code 2 Healthcare FSA (ERAMED)

Annual Pledge \$2,400.00

Employee Contribution Override Annual

If the Annual Pledge is correct, the deduction on the paycheck will be correct.

Contribution Worksheet

Use this worksheet to calculate the employee's desired Annual Pledge and Contribution Amount.

Annual Pledge	Contributions YTD	Pay Periods Remaining	Pay Period Amount	Employee Contribution
(\$2,400.00)	- \$0.00	/ 24	= \$100.00	= \$2,600.00 Annual

Open Protected Fields Open protected fields for change. (These fields are normally determined by the system).

Calculate

- **Never delete a dependent**
- Once you enter OE elections, if you need to do additional entry, you must submit a ticket for Central Benefits to re-open the OE event.
 - The employee can still make eBN elections after paper entry is done.
- If the agency is entering paper applications and did not receive an application to enroll coverage in Healthcare FSA/LPFSA, Dependent care, Parking/Transit, Dental Supplemental or Vision you will need to waive coverage or you will see the following error messages for each plan:

An Election is required for Plan Type 6V. (4000,61)

The Event Rules for this Plan Type require that an election be made. If an election is not made for this Plan Type then the employee's entire enrollment will be in error, which may result in default elections being assigned.

OK

New Hires and OE

All events must be processed in date order. Encourage new hires to make their HIR eBenefits elections as soon as possible. Elections must be made in the following order: HIR → SHR (if applicable) → OE.

September/October Hires Who Have Access to an OE Event during OE

For employees who start in PP21 – PP23 (9/22/24 – 11/2/24), encourage them to make their new hire elections ASAP. Once the HIR event is finalized, the SHR event will open (if applicable). Watch SHR events daily. Once entry is done on the SHR event, the OE event will open. This group will be handled like all other employees provided the OE event can be opened to the employee prior to the end of the OE period.

NOTE: If an employee is still within their initial 30-day enrollment period at the end of the OE period and the employee didn't submit their OE elections, you can still collect paper OE applications and have them manually entered on the OE event.

SHR Event Schedule for Remainder of Year

Date SHR Available	SHR Event Date Range
9/23/2025	11/5 - 11/12
10/7/2025	11/13 - 11/26
10/14/2025	11/27 - 12/23
11/4/2025	12/24 - 1/1

Hires Prior to 12-1-25 (no access to OE event or within first 30 days during OE)

- The following will apply to late pay period hires in PP20 (9/07 – 09/20), all hires in PP21 (9/21-10/4), PP22 (10/5-10/18), PP23 (10/19-11/1), PP24 (11/2-11/15), PP25 (11/16-11/29) and some hires in PP26 (11/30-12/13).
- Healthcare FSA, Dependent Care FSA
 - Remind employees that coverage they enter on HIR event is effective in 2025
 - If they want coverage for 2026, must complete a [paper application](#) within 30 days of hire (if no election made on OE event)
 - Create a ticket, attach application and Central Benefits will do entry on either OE or ADM (depends on timing of receipt of application)
- Parking/Transit
 - If coverage is effective in 2025, remind employee that coverage they enter on HIR is effective in 2025.
 - They must complete a [paper application](#) for 2026 (if not entered on OE event)
 - If they have an OE event, enter on OE event (agencies can do this until 11/5), otherwise create a ticket for Central Benefits to enter on the OE event.
 - If no OE event, collect a paper application and submit a ticket if prior to 12/29, if after 12/29 you must create a 1-1-26 COM event and enter election
- HSA
 - If coverage is effective in 2025, remind employee that coverage they enter on HIR is effective in 2025
 - They must complete a [paper application](#) for 2026 (if not entered on OE event)
 - If they have an OE event, enter on OE event (agencies can do this until 11/5), otherwise create a ticket for Central Benefits to enter on the OE event.
 - If no OE event, collect a paper application and submit a ticket if prior to 12/29, if after 12/29 you must create a 1-1-26 HSA event and enter election
 - If coverage is effective in 2025, no additional action needed – HSA election will be entered on SHR event (or OE event if created for October hires)
- Opt-Out Stipend – if eligible for the employer contribution in 2025, make sure the employee completes 2 [health insurance applications](#) opting out for both years – one for 2025 and one for 2026.
 - Use the SHR event (or OOS event if employee has prior service) to enter 2025 election and a 1-1-26 OOS for the 2026 election.

December 2 – December 31 Hires

- For employees hired 12/2 – 12/31, the 2025 FSA and HSA limits connect to their HIR event even though coverage is effective 1-1-26
 - Solution:
 - HSA – can change at any time so if employee wants to maximize, can create an HSA event to increase annual election (event date = 1-1-26 or later)
 - Parking/transit – create a 1-1-26 COM event to enter updated annual election

- Dependent Day Care – The 2026 limit is showing for all new hires

WRS-Covered LTEs in First 6 Months

- If WRS-covered LTE in first 6 months as of 1-1-26, the OE event opens Plan Types 1U and 1V in the OE event and the employee will not be given an opportunity to make an election in health.

Payroll and Benefit Specialist with any questions.

Enrollment Summary			
Health (Waiting Period)	Before Tax	After Tax	Edit
Current: Waive			
New: Waive			
Health (100% Employee Paid)	Before Tax	After Tax	Edit
Current: Waive			
New: Waive			
Delta Dental PPO	Before Tax	After Tax	Edit

Complete your enrollment on this page [before](#) enrolling in the benefit plans listed above.

Select an Option

Here Are Your Available Options With Your Costs:

Overview of all Plans
To reduce the number of plans displayed on the page, use the filter below.

Filter Options By

Dental Coverage

- ☒ Show all plans
- ☐ Show plans with dental only
- ☐ Show plans without dental only

High Deductible Health Plan

- ☒ Show all plans
- ☐ Show HDHP plans only
- ☐ Show non-HDHP plans only

[Apply Filter](#)

Select one of the following plans:

- ☒ Waive

[Update and Continue](#) [Discard Changes](#)

Life Events and OE

During Open Enrollment

If the employee has a life event where a dependent is added or removed **AFTER** the OE event is created, you should:

- Enter the life event on the BAS Activity Table and process the event the next day
- No tickets are necessary **during** OE
 - The OE event will automatically re-open once the life event is finalized – even if the event has not been reprocessed to pick up the new enrollments

During OE Central Benefits will monitor for events out of sequence and reprocess OE events as needed so the new or removed dependents will not be reflected on the OE event.

After Open Enrollment

- **After** OE, agency should submit a ticket on the day the life event is added to the BAS Activity Table (preferably early in the day).
- Central Benefits will open the event, agency can do entry on life event and then Central Benefits will finalize life event and immediately reprocess OE event – all in the same day (all benefits must be entered on the event)
- Reduces risk of employees doing entry on event that doesn't have most current elections
- **Ticket Name = OE2026 –Reprocess OE due to Life Event – Empl Name & ID**

- What happens if employee submitted OE elections BEFORE life event entry is done?
 - Central Benefits will capture enrollment made on the OE event, reprocess the OE event (this will delete all elections made on the OE event) and will re-enter the elections that were made on the OE event (considering new dependents).
 - A new confirmation statement will be generated, and the employee will receive a confirmation statement notification email
 - **Agency should direct employees to validate elections and print new confirmation statements**

When to Create a Ticket Specifically During Open Enrollment

You should create a ticket in the following situations:

- The employee has a dependent listed more than once – create a ticket so Central Benefits can delete the dependent – **do not delete the dependent yourself**
- You need to make a paper OE election, and the event is not open to you (attach application to ticket and redact SSN)
- You need to have an OE event created for someone in the DEF benefit program
- You need the benefits flag moved

Central Benefits Monitoring

Central Benefits will be doing the following monitoring/auditing during and after OE:

- OE events that are out of sequence due to life events or eligibility changes
 - Central Benefits will review, and re-process events as needed
- Central Benefits will monitor, and an email will be sent via Employee Messaging for the following:
 - OE in Notified Status
 - HSA Follow-up (enrolled in HDHP but have not elected HSA for 2026)
 - OOS Follow-up (currently enrolled in OOS but have not made an OE election yet OR currently enrolled in OOS but didn't elect OOS or health for 2026)
- Central Benefits will monitor and reach out to the agencies on the following:
 - Enrolled in HDHP but has other coverage (including Medicare) or is 65 years or will be turning 65 next year
 - Enrolled OOS + health insurance
 - Enrolled in health and supplemental preventive dental
 - Missing marital status and dependent information
 - Enrolled in Access Out of State for 2026
 - Enrolled in PreTax Parking and have Active Parking General Deduction
 - Enrolled in LPFSA and non-HDHP plan
 - Enrolled in HDHP and enrolled in regular healthcare FSA
 - Removing dependents under age 19 or a spouse but keep family coverage
 - Late year FSA elections

OE Timeline

- **Week of Sept 15th:**
 - Run PP19 WRS Lookback Report + do all associated processing
 - Agencies should finalize as many open events as possible (BIR, MAR, DIV, ELG, TER, RET, TRA, LOA, RFL ...)
 - 10/19-11/4 SHR events open for entry (enter as soon as HIR elections finalized)
 - Complete all open AGE events thru end of year
- **Sept 23rd:**
 - 11/5-11/12 SHR events open for entry (enter as soon as HIR elections finalized)
- **Sept 29th:**
 - run PP20 WRS Lookback Report + do all associated processing
 - (After 5pm) IYC BAS Group ID added to all active employees who are NOT in the DEF benefit program (only added to DEF if employee currently enrolled in ERA plan)
 - **Once IYC code is on job, agencies must no longer change primary job flag – create a ticket and Central Benefits will move the flag and IYC code (in effect through the end of the year)**
- **Oct 1st and 2nd:**
 - Agencies should send out OE is coming email (10/01-10/2)
 - Agencies should finalize as many open events as possible (BIR, MAR, DIV, ELG, TER, RET, TRA, LOA, RFL...)
 - Deadline to process all AGE and SHR events by the agency (10/02)
 - Ben Admin runs at Noon and 4:45pm.
 - OE Training for agencies, 1:00pm-3:00pm (10/01)
- **Oct 3rd (Friday)**
 - Central Benefits will finish outstanding AGE and SHR event entry – before noon
 - Agencies should finalize as many open events as possible (BIR, MAR, DIV, ELG, TER, RET, TRA, LOA, RFL...)
 - Ben Admin runs at Noon and 4:45pm.
 - **All users, except core central staff, will be locked out of HCM starting at 5pm** until notified (likely mid-day on October 4th, if no issues encountered)
 - IYC code added to any newly active employees (since process last run)
 - Run process to create ~ 33,000 OE events
 - Run all baseline audits and queries
- **Oct 4th (Saturday)**
 - Central Benefits and HCM benefits review to ensure OE events prepared correctly
 - System back open to users sometime mid-day
- **Oct 6th (Monday)**
 - Start of OE period
 - Main OE email sent via Employee Messaging (early morning)

- eBenefits opens to employees at midnight
- **Oct 7th:** 11/13 – 11/26 SHR events open for entry
 - **Do not use OE event in place of SHR event for January coverage**
- **Oct 13th:** run PP21 WRS Lookback Report + do all associated processing
- **Oct 14th:** 11/27 – 12/23 SHR events open for entry
- **Oct 27th:** run PP22 WRS Lookback Report + do all associated processing
- **Oct 31st:** Last day of OE....thousands of employees likely making their elections
 - Last day to cancel/waive benefits for 2026
 - eBN closes at 11:59pm
- **Nov 3rd - 5th:** OE event still open to agencies to enter paper apps received on or before 10/31 (final date subject to change)
- **Nov 4th:** 12/24- 1/1/26 SHR events open for entry
- **Nov 10th:** run PP23 WRS Lookback Report + do all associated processing
- **Nov 12th:** 1st OE health election file sent to ETF
- **Nov 17th:** 1st OE enrollment file to TASC
- **Nov 19th:** Last day to submit OE health elections to ETF (5pm) (updates since 11/12 file)
- **Nov 24th:** list of OOS enrollees sent to ETF for validation
 - run PP24 WRS Lookback Report + do all associated processing
- **Dec 8th:** Run PP25 WRS Lookback report + do all associated processing
- **Dec 12th:** OE file sent to Delta Dental (includes Supplemental Dental, Preventive Dental)
- **Dec 12th:** 2nd OE enrollment file to TASC
- **Dec 14th:** 1st day of 2026 Pay Period 1
- **Dec 15th:** OE file sent to MetLife Vision (new vendor)
- **Dec 17th:** Send OE elections to Securian for Accident Plan
- **Dec 29th:** Final File sent to Delta Vision for 2025 enrollments
- **Early January**
 - Central Benefits will begin health compare with ETF's system
 - Re-send OOS list to ETF for validation (in case of changes)
- **Jan 8th:** first check payable in 2026