Benefits Working Group

Meeting Minutes: July 17, 2024

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Attendees

Martha Alexander	Chris Burns	Ashley Carey
Jennifer Escamilla	Stacey Havel	Imelda Esparza
Jennifer Valdez	Jessica Solis	Janna Johnson
Debbie Morrison	Irma San Miguel	Vicki Welch

Announcements & Completed Changes

- Benefits Start Date questions will now launch for Change Job
- New Dependent Details tab will show more information on dependents without clicking into Dependent Record. Also updated for better efficiency.
- Added a new Review SGIP To Do in onboarding with specific instructions for ACA on Hire
- Validation has been added for address change when updating a dependent to an Exdependent relationship.

Upcoming Changes

- Benefits on Hire *reason* is being removed from Hire staffing events. Staffing is targeting this week (7/18/24) for the change to be completed. Will still be able to launch Benefits on *Hire benefit event* for employees wanting to start benefits on hire date.
- To Do for HR18 when terminating or retiring employee has been enrolled in TDA. Targeting 7/24/24 release date.

Discussion Items

Asana

- If you are not in Asana, please supply email address in chat or email Meredith or Vicky
- Covering the basics of Asana
 - o Add new discussion items to "Discussion Items for Next Meeting"
 - o Add yourself to Approved By field on items that you feel are priority.
- Meredith will move items to be discussed at the next meeting to "Agenda Items"

Zero Deduction Zero Pay Summer Premiums

- When employee is covered completely by SGIP and had wellness but is in Zero Pay,
 Medical premium is being sent to Arears.
- We are updating the report to work these in the future
- In touch with SBA to clear arrears for current employees

Open Enrollment

- Certified Other Dummy Plan has been successful in helping C/O employees who want to enroll in benefits.
- Reminders will be send on 7/22, 7/29 to employees who have not submitted OE

TRS In Workday

- TRS Participation outside of Workday is self-reported and only logged in Additional Data
- Would like to have information for all employees (not just benefits eligible) to monitor hours, especially for retirees
- Sending the questions separately from the other questions to make sure all questions are sent to all employees
- Create committee to discuss changes to the OBQs including SBA & Staffing
- Put notices in notifications/hire documents sent with staffing/onboarding.
- Add an acknowledgement during onboarding

Documentation for Dependents

- List of required documentation for dependents
- Update link in to do to open Benefits Guide to documentation page

Cross-Functional Items

Staffing

- Hire > Benefits on Hire reason
 - Requesting removal of this Hire Reason
 - Targeted for released this week (7/18/2024)
- TRS Participation Elsewhere
 - Is there a place/document that is being sent to hires where information regarding working retirees/trs care/trs surcharge
 - Acknowledgement of TRS rules for retirees

Action Items

Working Group Members add to Asana

- o Reports missing UIN
- o Suggestions for Benefits Partner Dashboard
- o Approved By on Priority Items
- o Discussion Items for Next Meeting
- Update Benefit Guide link in To Do to open directly to Page 6 for Dependent Documentation Types

Next Meeting: 9/18/2024