# **Benefits Working Group**

Meeting Minutes: September 20, 2023

# THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### **Attendees**

Martha Alexander	Chris Burns	Cynthia Todhunter
Mary Canales	Betty Gibson	Stacey Havel
Janna Johnson	Mia Cisneros	Debbie Morrison
Vicki Welch	Theresa Perez	Dawn Ann Wilson

# **Upcoming Changes**

- Dependent Verification
  - o Discuss use of Pending status with SBA

#### Discussion Items

#### Add To Do in Hire for Payroll Partner: No Retro Prior to Date

Please add vote in Trello

#### **Prevent Cancel Hire Event on 9/1**

- Workday cancels Hire Events on 9/1 and replaces with OE
- May need to separate out another benefit group
- Please add examples to Trello

#### **Change between Certified Other & Enrolling in Medical**

- Proposed solution: "Waive" plan for Certified Other employees
- Possibly offering medical to Certified Other employees and use validation to prevent enrollment.
- Use a To Do step to catch out of sync employees
- Please vote in Trello

#### Dependents with No SSN

- How can dependents with no SSN be removed from reports
- Workday does not have any functionality to mark that a dependent is not eligible for an SSN
- Benefits Partners are not able to edit comments on SSN when no SSN is provided
- Send tickets to SBA to have comment updated

#### Dependents not tied to Benefits Alerts during OE

- Alert schedule is being modified to prevent sending alerts in July when OE has not finalized.
- Alerts will begin again after August 1.

#### **OE Follow Up Emails**

- Reminders are sent weekly during Open Enrollment
- Should additional email reminders be sent?
- Should separate reminders be sent with different verbiage for In Progress vs. Not Started events?

#### **Enrollment Instructions during Open Enrollment**

- More instructions may be needed to help walk people through enrollment
- Particular concerns
  - Confirm & Continue where dependents are on the second page
  - o FSA enrollment

#### **Upcoming Workday Functionality**

- Cards
  - o Integrate with events like Wellness Goals or Flu Shot Clinics etc.
  - Help employees meet wellness deadlines
  - "Good to Go" card when wellness is completed
  - o Please add additional items to Trello

### **Data Change for Adjuncts to Confirm Onboarding**

- Need to launch retirement questions for all
- Big problem when employee answered previously that they are participating in TRS/ORP elsewhere but are now retired or not participating
- Base schedule off calendar rather than trigger event since employees may not have a staffing event.

## **Comments when Cancelling OE Events**

- Not able to add comments when using Benefit Event > Cancel.
- Can use Remarks to add note about reason for cancelling OE
  - Hidden
  - Not easy to find or remember to add
  - Added after the fact

# Cross-Functional Items

## **Staffing**

- Termination Reason and Secondary Reason
  - Staffing requesting impacts from Benefits working group for adding secondary reasons to termination
  - o No impacts predicted

## **Action Items**

• WDS will follow up with Loretta (Operations) on the schedule for OE reminders sent during OE