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HEALTH INSURANCE AFTER YOU RETIRE PRESENTATIONS AND HELP DESKS PLEASE POST AND/OR DISTRIBUTE

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Greetings, UC Davis faculty and staff!

July 1 is the most popular date for UC employees to retire. Employees considering retirement, particularly those within one year of retirement, are encouraged to learn more about the health coverage offered to UC retirees at an upcoming information session or online. At the in-person sessions below, I will:

- Review current health plan eligibility rules and costs
- Explain how UC retiree health plans coordinate with Medicare
- Discuss medical plans for retirees who relocate out of state, or to more remote parts of California

These sessions are not intended to address [Retiree Health Benefits Working Group](#) considerations.

HEALTH INSURANCE AFTER YOU RETIRE PRESENTATIONS

Date	Time	Campus	Location
Thursday, May 17	8 – 9:30 a.m.	Davis	<u>ARC: Ballroom B</u>
Monday, May 21	8 – 9:30 a.m.	Sacramento	<u>Cancer Center: Auditorium</u>

Reservations are not required and seating is first come, first seated. Feel free to bring your spouse or domestic partner. **Streaming video:** Narrated presentations will be posted on the Health Care Facilitator Program site (hr.ucdavis.edu/hcf) shortly after the sessions.

HELP DESKS FOR EMPLOYEES RETIRING JULY 1

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Employees who are retiring on or around 7/1 can receive drop-in, individual counseling on UC retiree health coverage from Health Care Facilitators. Counseling is on a first come, first served basis and due to the size of the meeting rooms, confidentiality cannot be guaranteed.

Helpful Hints

Try to accumulate 20 years of UC Retirement Plan service credit. This will help to you obtain the best health plan premiums in retirement.

Retiring on July 1?

- If you'll be 65 or older (and/or you are covering a family member who is 65+), then you will need to apply for Medicare. You should obtain a Social Security **Request for Employment Information** form from your UCRS retirement counselor so that you can apply using Medicare's *Special Enrollment Period*. Take the form to a Social Security office **in early May**, hand it to a Social Security agent, and ask for Medicare Part B to begin on August 1.
- If your 65th birthday occurs between February and July, you will need to enroll in Medicare via the *Initial Enrollment Period*. Please contact the Health Care Facilitator Program for details.

Get help coordinating Medicare with your retiree insurance by contacting the [Health Care Facilitator Program](#). You should do this as soon as you can obtain proof of your enrollments in Medicare Parts A & B, whether it is a new Medicare card (which usually takes three weeks) or a Medicare award letter from Social Security.

Active employees are not required to enroll in Medicare. [Read more.](#)

Call the helpful [Health Care Facilitator Program staff](#) with any questions.

