

Non-Medicare Retiree Premium Assistance Program

Plan Year 2025 July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025

Each year at this time, the PEIA offers Premium Assistance to retired employees and surviving dependents who qualify. Premium assistance reduces the monthly premium payment for the retiree or surviving dependent. Premium assistance is available to non-Medicare retirees with at least 5 years of service.

The premium assistance program pays part of your health insurance premium if your gross income is less than 250% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). To qualify for premium assistance, you must meet <u>all</u> of the following criteria:

- you must have 5 or more years of service,
- you must be enrolled in the PEIA Preferred Benefit Plan (PPB) Plan A or B, and
- your household income during calendar year 2023 must have been at or below 250% of the FPL.

The chart below shows the income amounts and corresponding poverty level. Find the number of people in your household, then look across the chart to find your total annual household income. The gray box above your income will tell you your percentage of the FPL, and that will determine the amount of assistance you may receive.

Federal Poverty Level					
Individuals in Household	<100%	<100% 100%-150% 150%-200%		200% - 250%	
1	\$15,060 or less	\$15,061 \$22,590	\$22,591 \$30.120	\$30.121 \$37.650	
2	\$20,440 or less	\$20,441 \$30,660	\$30,661 \$40,880	\$40,881\$51,100	
3	\$25,820 or less	\$25,821 \$38,730	\$38,731 \$51,640	\$51,641\$64,550	
4	\$31,200 or less	\$31,201 \$46,800	\$46,801 \$62,400	\$62,401\$78,000	
Each additional person add	\$5,380	\$8,070	\$10,760	\$13,450	

Find your poverty level and your years of service in the chart below. This will show you the dollar amount of the premium reduction you can get. For example, if you had 20 years of service, your income is \$19,000 and you are the only person in your household, then your poverty level is 100%-150%. In the chart below, go to the column labeled "100-150% of FPL" and the row labeled 15–24. You are eligible for a monthly premium reduction of \$50.

Policyholder Only Monthly Premium Reduction				
This amount will be deducted from your monthly premium for non-Medicare coverage. If the amount of the reduction is greater than the premium, then the premium due will be \$0.				
Years of Service	<100% of FPL	100-150% of FPL	150-200% of FPL	200-250% of FPL
5-14	\$51	\$34	\$19	\$13
15-24	\$65	\$50	\$31	\$19
25+	\$88	\$74	\$46	\$24

Policyholder with Dependents Monthly Premium Reduction				
This amount will be deducted from your monthly premium for non-Medicare coverage. If the amount of the reduction is				
greater than the premium due, then the premium due will be \$0.				
Years of Service	<100% of FPL	100-150% of FPL	150-200% of FPL	200–250% of FPL
5-14	\$76.50	\$51.00	\$28.50	\$19.50
15-24	\$97.50 \$75.00 \$46.50		\$28.50	
25+	\$132.00	\$111.00	\$69.00	\$36.00

Sick and Annual Leave or Years of Service Credits

If you are using sick or annual leave or years of service credits to get free or reduced premiums, **please do not fill out this form -- unless** you will run out of credits before June 30, 2025. If your credits will run out before June 30, 2025, you may apply now. If your application is approved, premium assistance will begin when your credits end.

Deadline for Application

If you want your assistance to begin on July 1, 2024, we must receive your application before June 5, 2024. Applications will be processed in the order received. You may apply for assistance at any time during the year, but if we receive your application after June 5, 2024, we will process it as quickly as possible and, if you qualify, your premium reduction will be effective the first day of the month following the date of your approval. PEIA will not issue credit for previous months' premiums. You will receive a letter informing you of the approval or denial of your application.

PLAN YEAR 2025 PREMIUM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please read all instructions carefully BEFORE completing the application.

SECTI	ON I - RETIREE/SURVIVING DEPENDENT
	Name – Use your full name, including middle initial.
	Social Security Number (SSN) – Fill in the correct SSN or we cannot process your application.
	Address – Provide your complete mailing address. (If address has changed, please check the box on the address line so we may update our records.)
	Phone Number (include area code).
	Marital Status – please check appropriate box. If separated, please check married.
	Years of Service at the Time of Retirement/Retirement Date – Applications without this information cannot be processed. Surviving Dependents must report the Years of Service of the deceased policyholder. If the policyholder was retired at the time of death, report years of service and retirement date. If death occurred while an active employee, then give years of service and the month and year of death.
SECTI	ON II – SPOUSE & HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION
	married, you must complete spouse's name and SSN. Also, indicate the number of individuals you have overed on your PEIA health insurance and the number of individuals living in your household.
SECTI	ON III – GROSS ANNUAL INCOME FOR 2023
	nis section must include All Household Income from 2023, before any deductions. Everyone in the ousehold who has an income must report that information on the application.
Incon	ne: Complete the sections that apply to you.
	State Pension* – Yearly amount you and the members of your household (if applicable) receive from the WV Consolidated Public Retirement Board.
	Other Pension* – Yearly amount of pensions you and the members of your household (if applicable) receive from other sources (Example: TIAA/CREF).
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	Wages* – Total amount of any income earned during 2023 for you and the members of your household.
	Other Income* – Total amount of any other income received during 2023, for all members of your household (Example: Rent, Dividends, Royalties, Interest, Alimony, etc.).
	Subtotal – Total each column.
	Grand Total – All subtotal amounts. * Include spouse and any other members of your household, if applicable
THIS	APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED! Applications without a signature and date will be returned
witho	out processing.
ATTA	CHMENTS
	If you have copies of W2s, 1099s or any official year-end statements, you must attach these to verify your income.
	If you file taxes, a copy of your 2023 Federal tax return (first page) is acceptable. All income must be reported on the tax return.
	If you file taxes and your Social Security benefit amount is not on the form, then you must provide a copy of your SSA-1099.

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Please separate the Application Form and submit only the application to PEIA (address is on the application).

West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA) Plan Year 2025

Non-Medicare Retired Employees Premium Assistance Program Application

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE					
SECTION I - RETIREE/S	SURVIVING DEPENDENT				
Name (First, Middle In		Social Security Number			
Address (If New Address Check Box)					
City State	Zip			County	
Phone Number (including Area Code) ()		Marital Status (Check One) ☐ Married ☐ Single ☐ Widowed			
Years of Service at the	Time of Retirement				
SECTION II - SPOUSE 8	& HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION				
Spouse Name (First, M	iddle Initial, Last)	Spouse	Social Security Nu	umber	
How Many Individuals Circle one - 1 2	on your PEIA insurance? 3 4 5 6 7		How Many Individuals In Your Household? Circle one - 1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
SECTION III - GROSS A	NNUAL INCOME FOR 2023				
	List Your Income Below		t Spouse's ome Below	List Income of Other Dependents Below	
State Pension	\$	\$		\$	
Other Pension (If any)	\$	\$		\$	
Social Security	\$	\$		\$	
Wages (If any)	\$	\$		\$	
Other Income	\$	\$		\$	
Subtotal	\$	\$		\$	
	Total Gross Household Income for 2023 (include your income, income for your spouse and all other dependents that live in your household)				
To avoid delays in processing, you must send proof of all income for 2023 with this application. It will NOT be processed without supporting documentation.					
I understand that if, as a result of withholding information or providing inaccurate information, I receive assistance to which I am not entitled, such assistance will be subject to recovery by PEIA and I may be subject to legal action. I declare that I have examined my responses and affirm that they are true, correct and complete.					
Policyho	older Signature	Date			
MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: FOR PEIA USE ONLY:					
PEIA Non-Medicare Retiree Assistance Program 601 57 th St, SE, Suite 2 Charleston, WV 25304-2345 OR Fax to 1-877-233-4295		Approved: Disapproved: Effective Date: Number in Household:			
Lay (0)	L U11-433-4433				

SPECIAL NOTICE

For retirees hired on or after July 1, 2010 or those with a break in service after July 1, 2010:

If you were hired on or after July 1, 2010 or if you had a break in service after July 1, 2010, you receive no premium subsidy of your retiree premiums. You are eligible to continue your PEIA coverage, but the premiums are not subsidized by active employees or employers, and therefore, are very expensive. Although you are entitled to keep your PEIA coverage, you may want to research your options for other coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace (https://www.healthcare.gov/get-coverage/). Here are a few items to consider when comparing plans:

Premium cost

Deductible – What's subject to the deductible? Will it be higher or lower than what you're paying now? Knowing how you use health care services, will that deductible difference matter to you?

Out-of-pocket maximum – Does the plan have a limit on what you'll pay out of pocket in a year? What's included in the out-of-pocket maximum?

Provider network – will you be able to use the doctors and other health care providers you use now or are the providers available to you acceptable?

Prescription drug coverage – does the plan have a formulary? If so, does the formulary include the drugs you take now? Is there a separate deductible for prescriptions? Is there a limit on what you'll pay for prescriptions in a year?

Dependent coverage – If you have dependents on your PEIA plan, will this new plan cover them? Is there an additional premium for that dependent coverage?

If you choose to enroll in coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace, and are not happy with that coverage, you can re-enroll in your PEIA coverage during Open Enrollment or if you have a qualifying event. Questions? Contact PEIA Customer Service at 888-680-7342.