Question: Is it feasible to at least obtain headcounts for eligible employees? In order to provide the best proposal to PEIA, we really need to know how many employees are eligible, as eligible headcounts for each benefit type is required in order for us to understand the scope of work.

Answer: Approximately 218,000 members (total lives). Total lives would include active employees, non-Medicare eligible retirees, Medicare eligible retirees, Managed care members, and covered dependents. Retirees total approximately 49,000 members of the 218,000 total lives referenced above. All agencies and employees of the State of West Virginia, Colleges, Universities, County Boards of Education and those local government agencies (non-state agencies) are eligible to participate if they choose to do so.