



Non-Medicare Retiree Premium Assistance Program

**Plan Year 2021
July 1, 2020, - June 30, 2021**

PLEASE NOTE:
 Since our office is closed due to the COVID-19 virus, PEIA is NOT mailing Medicare Premium & Benefit Assistance applications at this time. They will be mailed later in the year. Forms for **Medicare-primary** members are not due until 11/6/2020.

Dear PEIA Policyholder,

Each year at this time, the PEIA offers Premium Assistance to retired employees and surviving dependents who qualify. Due to the Federal State of Emergency, PEIA will be handling the application process differently this year. Our records indicate that you do not currently receive assistance. If you believe you qualify, complete this application, return it by June 5, 2020, and we'll process it in the order received. If you have filed your 2019 taxes, we will accept your 2019 tax return as documentation. If you have not filed your 2019 taxes, we will accept your 2018 return this year, or you may submit the other documents listed in "Attachments" item #1 in the instructions on page 2.

Premium assistance reduces the monthly premium payment for a retiree or surviving dependent who meet **all** 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 2019¹ 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%-150%	150%-200%	200% - 250%
1	\$12,760 or less	\$12,761 – 19,140	\$19,141 – 25,520	\$25,521 – 31,900
2	\$17,240 or less	\$17,241 – 25,860	\$25,861 – 34,480	\$34,481 – 43,100
3	\$21,720 or less	\$21,721 – 32,580	\$32,581 – 43,440	\$43,441 – 54,300
4	\$26,200 or less	\$26,201 – 39,300	\$39,301 – 52,400	\$52,401 – 65,500
Each additional person add	\$4,480	\$6,720	\$8,960	\$11,200

Find your poverty level and your years of service in the chart below. This will show you the dollar amount of the premium reduction for which you are eligible. For example, if you had 20 years of service, your income is \$16,500 and you are the only individual 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

¹ or 2018, if 2019 tax return is not available

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, 2021. If your credits will run out before June 30, 2021, 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, 2020, we must receive your application before June 5, 2020. 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, 2020, 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.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please read all instructions carefully BEFORE completing the application.

SECTION 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 indicate that.)
- **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 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.

SECTION II – SPOUSE & HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

If married, you must complete spouse's name and SSN. Also, indicate the number of individuals you have covered on your PEIA health insurance and the number of individuals living in your household.

SECTION III – GROSS ANNUAL INCOME FOR 2019

This section must include All Household Income from 2019 (or 2018, if 2019 is not available), before any deductions. Everyone in the household who has income must report that information on the application.

Income: Complete the sections that apply to you.

- **State Pension²** – Yearly amount you and the members of your household (if applicable) receive from the WV Consolidated Public Retirement Board.
- **Other Pension²** – Yearly amount of pensions you and the members of your household (if applicable) receive from other sources (Example: TIAA/CREF).
- **Social Security²** – Yearly amount for you and the members of your household
- **Wages²** – Total amount of any income earned during 2019* for you and members of your household.
- **Other Income²** – Total amount of any other income received during 2019*, for all members of your household (Example: Rent, Dividends, Royalties, Interest, Alimony, etc.).
- **Subtotal** – Total each column.
- **Grand Total** – All subtotal amounts.

² *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 without processing.

ATTACHMENTS

1. If you have copies of W2s, 1099s or any official year-end statements, you must attach these to verify your income.
2. If you file taxes, a copy of the first page of your 2019¹ Federal tax return is acceptable. All income must be reported on the tax return.
3. 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).

¹ *or 2018, if 2019 tax return is not available*

West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA)

Plan Year 2021

Non-Medicare Retired Employees Premium Assistance Program Application Form

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

SECTION I - RETIREE/SURVIVING DEPENDENT

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)	Social Security Number
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Address (If New Address Check Box)

City	State	Zip	County
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Phone Number (including Area Code) ()	Marital Status (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed
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Years of Service at the Time of Retirement

SECTION II - SPOUSE & HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Spouse Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)	Spouse Social Security Number
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How Many Individuals on your PEIA insurance? Circle one - 1 2 3 4 5 6 7	How Many Individuals In Your Household? Circle one - 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
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SECTION III - GROSS ANNUAL INCOME FOR 2019¹

	List Your Income Below	List Spouse's Income 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 2019 ¹ (include your income, income for your spouse and all other dependents that live in your household)			\$ <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>

To avoid delays in processing, you must send proof of all income for 2019¹ 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.

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Policyholder Signature	Date

MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: PEIA Non-Medicare Retiree Assistance Program 601 57 th St, SE, Suite 2 Charleston, WV 25304-2345 OR Fax to 1-877-233-4295 or 304-558-5611	FOR PEIA USE ONLY: Approved: _____ Disapproved: _____ Effective Date: _____ Number in Household: _____
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¹ or 2018, if 2019 is not available