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The IRS announced an increase to the FSA *Health* contribution limit for 2025, and the 2025 limit is \$3,300. This new limit amount will be available in eCAPS Open Enrollment on

10/24/2024 if you want to increase your amount to the new 2025 limit. Be sure if you make a change in your Open Enrollment, you click the Submit Enrollment button to submit your change. If you do not click Submit Enrollment your change will not be processed.

Aflac enrollment and cancellation information

Employees may enroll in Aflac during Open Enrollment, <u>but you do not enroll via eCAPS</u>. To enroll in Aflac you'll need to <u>schedule an appointment</u> with an Aflac representative. You may cancel your Aflac coverage at *any time of the year*, by completing the <u>Aflac Service</u> <u>Request Form</u> and emailing the form to <u>Benefit Services</u>.

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If you a retiring before January 1, 2025, you need to schedule an appointment with your <u>assigned Benefit Services technician</u> to complete your City retirement forms and discuss your options for retiree health benefits.

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Nationwide's RetireU online virtual learning campus

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Beneficiary data in eCAPS

Employees cannot delete any past beneficiary information from the eCAPS system. Historical data on past beneficiaries is required to remain in the system. However, you can make sure that your life insurance beneficiaries are correctly assigned as a primary or contingent beneficiary based on how you want those beneficiary assignments to be as of today. If you need assistance with adding new beneficiaries into eCAPS, please <u>contact your</u> <u>department's assigned Benefit Services team member</u> for direct assistance. And if at any time in the future (outside the OE period) you need to update your beneficiary assignments, you would also contact your assigned Benefit Services team member for assistance.

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Beneficiary data and dependent data *cannot be removed* from eCAPS.

Please note that prior beneficiary and dependent data cannot be removed from eCAPS. You should review your life insurance beneficiary assignments to make sure they reflect your intentions. We recommend all employees assign at least one primary beneficiary and at least one secondary (contingency) beneficiary if enrolled in life insurance.

Important Points:

- Beneficiaries assigned to City-paid Life and AD&D insurance will automatically carry over to Additional Life insurance if you are enrolled in that plan. This is mandated by the City's Life Insurance contract with The Standard.
- If you are enrolled in Choice Supplemental Life x Salary, you must also assign beneficiaries for this plan. These can be the same as or different from those assigned to employer-paid Life and AD&D insurance.

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Aflac Virtual Information Session

October 11, at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom at <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81709641800?</u> <u>pwd=NvIK5HqAr2dHWJR6fpjvvGxQ0abbbg.1</u> Meeting ID: 817 0964 1800 Passcode: 545729

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Play the OE Game 2 Truths & 1 Myth for a chance to win prizes!

This year's OE game is fun, challenging, and educational. Prizes have been provided by the City's carriers. <u>Download</u> the 2025 OE game and email your completed game sheet to <u>OpenEnrollment@cityofsacramento.org</u>.

Resources available online

There are many online resources available for <u>employee and retiree benefits</u>. We post a copy of all OE communications emailed to PAR Contacts on the <u>Active Employee Benefits webpage</u>. Charts to compare medical plans and fertility benefits are available on the <u>Health Plan</u> <u>Coverage Summaries webpage</u>. We are still awaiting 2025 benefit summary documents from the medical carriers to post online.

Do Not Forget to Re-Enroll in your Health Flexible Spending Account or Dependent Care Assistance Program for 2025

Any employee who wants to contribute to a Flexible Spending Account or the Dependent Care Assistance Program in 2025 is *required to re-elect* these benefits during Open Enrollment, even if you are already contributing in 2024. *These elections are not permitted to automatically rollover to a new year*.

If you need additional assistance with your OE questions, <u>book an appointment</u> with a Benefit Services Team member.

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2025 Open Enrollment is September 30 – October 25, 2025. Open Enrollment information is available at <u>City of Sacramento Employee & Retiree Benefits Information</u>.



2025 Open Enrollment is Monday, Sept. 30, through Friday, Oct. 25, 2024! *Your Benefits. Your Choice.*

Open Enrollment is the annual period when benefit eligible employees can enroll in, change, or drop health plans, add, or remove dependents, and re-enroll in Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA) and the Dependent Care Assistance Program (DCAP). It is important for employees to review their options carefully and make any necessary changes during this period. Changes after the deadline are not permitted unless you experience a Qualifying Life Event.

Important Steps:

Review the <u>2025 Open Enrollment Memo</u> for *essential* information, including:

- Deadlines and requirements for enrollment
- Re-enrollment rules for continuing your FSA and DCAP benefits in 2025.

Complete your changes by October 25, 2024, by logging into <u>eCAPS</u> from any internet connected device.

Resources available online include:

- <u>2025 Rate Sheets</u> review health premiums and contributions by labor group
- <u>Book a virtual appointment</u> with Benefit Services for one-on-one assistance
- <u>2025 Employee Benefits Handbook</u>
- Copies of all communications sent to employees

For assistance with Open Enrollment, email <u>openenrollment@cityofsacramento.org</u> or <u>visit</u> Benefit Services online for more information.

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OPEN ENROLLMENT IS COMING!

2025 Open Enrollment Monday, Sept. 30, through Friday, Oct. 25, 2024

The Benefit Services Division in Human Resources is excited to announce Open Enrollment for the 2025 plan year. During Open Enrollment, City employees can:

- Enroll in, change, or drop medical, dental, or vision plans.
- Add or drop coverage for eligible dependents.
- Enroll or <u>renew</u> enrollment in a Flexible Spending Account (FSA) or Dependent Care Assistance Program (DCAP).
- Enroll in or make changes to your voluntary life insurance coverage (additional paperwork and underwriting <u>required</u> if increasing Choice Supplemental Life coverage to 2 or 3 times your annual salary or adding Short Term Disability).

Make Open Enrollment Changes in eCAPS from an Internet Connected Device

Employees can choose their 2025 benefits in <u>eCAPS</u> Monday, Sept. 30, through Friday, Oct. 25, 2024, until 11:59 p.m. During Open Enrollment make sure your mailing address, phone number, and email address are correct in eCAPS.

General Information

- 2025 medical plan premiums are increasing.
- No changes to 2025 dental and vision plan premiums.
- Participation in the Health Flexible Spending Account and Dependent Care Assistance programs <u>must be re-elected every year</u>. Participation in these plans in 2024 <u>will not</u> rollover to 2025.

Open Enrollment Assistance

- Email questions to <a>openenrollment@cityofsacramento.org.
- <u>Book</u> a one-on-one virtual session with Benefit Services (appointments start 9/25/2024).
- Contact the Benefit Services team member assigned to your department by email,

telephone, or MS Teams.

• Contact your department's PAR Contact for general assistance with completing your Open Enrollment in eCAPS.

Benefit Services webpages will be updated in mid-September and include:

- 2025 premium rate sheets with the City health contribution.
- Health plan documents and coverages summaries.
- 2025 Employee Benefits Handbook providing a comprehensive overview of available benefits.

Visit the <u>Benefit Services webpage</u> for more information.