

INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER HEALTH-RELATED BENEFIT PROGRAMS

In addition to the State of Wisconsin Group Health Insurance Program, other health-related benefit programs are available to employees and annuitants. This provides general information regarding these programs and directs you to the appropriate source to obtain additional information.

Group Life Insurance

Minnesota Life Insurance Company (MLIC) administers the Group Life Insurance program. Active employees may elect up to five times their annual earnings in group term life insurance coverage, and may elect coverage for their dependents. Retirees who have life insurance through this program and have reached age 66 may be eligible to convert the present value of the life insurance to pay health insurance premiums.

Questions regarding life insurance coverage should be directed to ETF, Division of Member Services, at 1-608-266-3285 (Madison) or 1-414-227-4294 (Milwaukee).

Medicare

For information on **Medicare** benefits and how to enroll in that program, contact your local Social Security Administration office or call **1-800-772-1213**. You and your dependents that are eligible for Medicare must enroll for the hospital and medical portions of Medicare (Parts A & B) at the time of your retirement. Enrollment in the prescription drug portion (Medicare Part D) is voluntary and specific information about your options can be found in the Q & A Section C of this book. Your coverage will then be transferred to a plan integrated with Medicare and your monthly premium will be reduced when you or a dependent becomes covered by Medicare.

You and your dependents are not required to enroll in Medicare until the subscriber terminates employment or health insurance coverage as an active employee ceases.