

# **Advisory Service Overview**

**Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program** As of 9/7/2023

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# More than just asset allocation

A custom retirement savings strategy that provides:



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# EAG and Morningstar Investment Management LLC

#### Empower Advisory Group, LLC responsibilities

#### Named fiduciary

• ERISA 3(38) & 3(21) fiduciary for participant advice

#### Independent Financial Expert oversight

- Methodology
- System enhancements
- Due diligence

#### **Operational support**

- Implementation
- Transactional oversight
- Fee management
- Reporting

#### Participant experience

- Participant user interface
- Education center
- Integration online experience
- Campaign coordination
- Communications consolidation

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**Relationships and responsibilities** 

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#### **Morningstar Investment Management responsibilities**

- Independent financial expert
- Research and thought leadership

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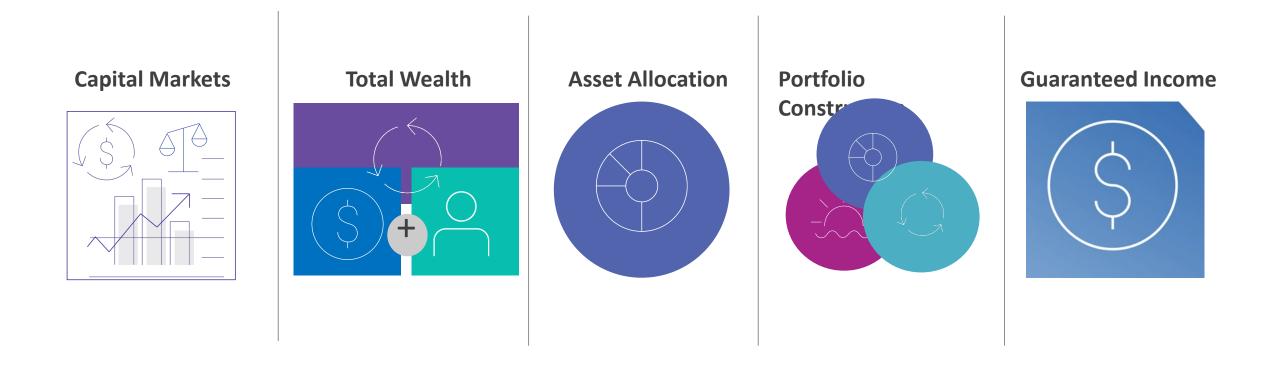
# Morningstar Investment Methodologies

Investment Methodology Overview for Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program

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#### Total Wealth Five Key Investment Components

A holistic, Total Wealth approach permeates throughout the integrated, methodologies that collectively form the heart of managed accounts and lead to participant success.





# **Capital Markets**





#### **Projections**

Power our wealth forecasting and simulation engines

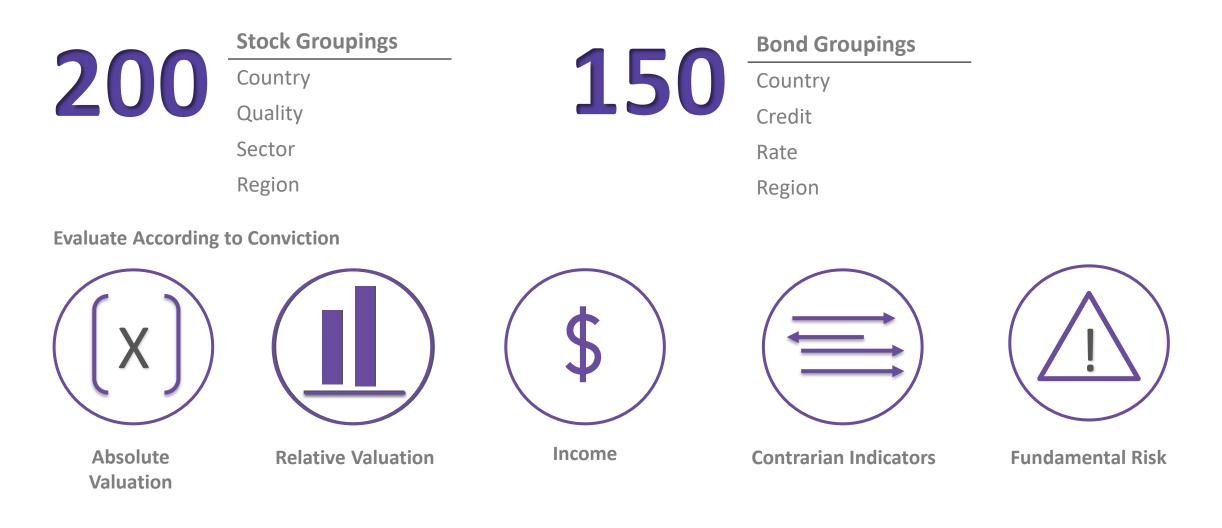


#### **Portfolio Management**

Provide an unbiased view of asset classes and investments to ensure portfolios are diversified for the long-term and reflect the latest financial markets data



# **CMAS** Capital Markets Assumptions | Broad Investment Universe

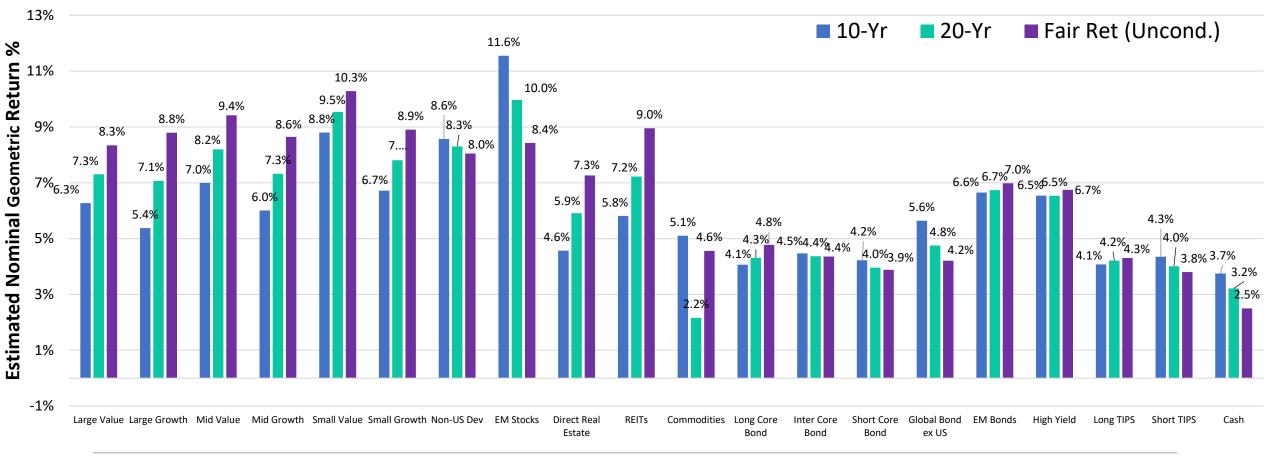


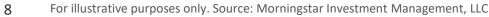




# **CMAS** Capital Markets Assumptions | 2023 Expected Returns

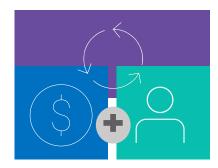
The capital markets assumptions (CMAs) are updated on an annual basis, and they inform our asset allocation and form the basis for the various simulations and forecasts run in Retirement Manager.







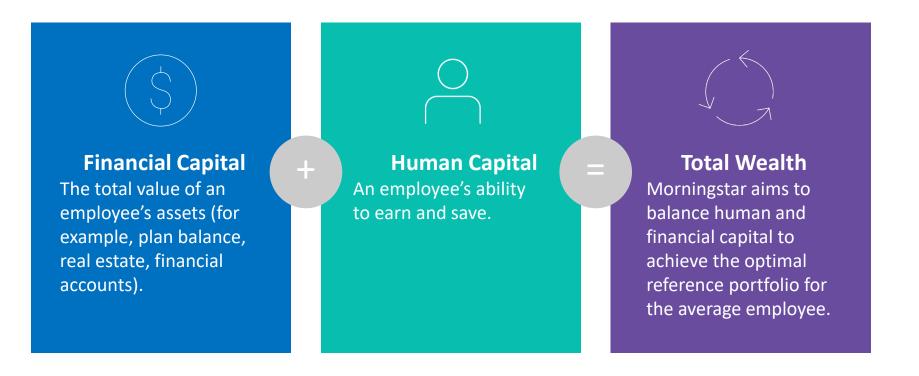
# Investment Methodology | Total Wealth





# Total Wealth | Evolving Components of Total Economic Worth

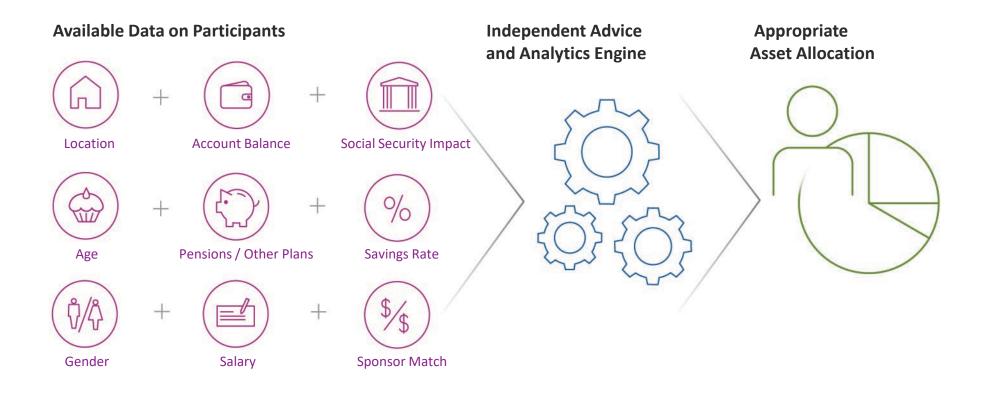
Total Wealth recognized that a participant's Human Capital is a critical component of Total Economic Worth.





#### Total Wealth Total Wealth: Individualized Recommendation

Each quarter, information from the recordkeeping system is updated and combined with any information that the participant has provided. As the participant's balance, age, salary, etc. evolve, the advice evolves with the participant's evolving circumstances.





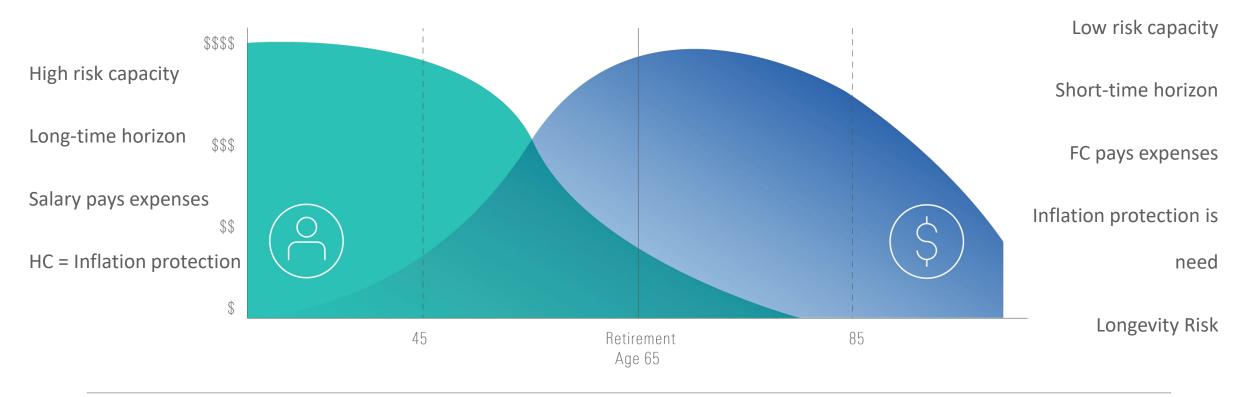
#### **Detailed Asset Allocations**





# **Detailed Asset Allocation | Evolving Circumstances and Risks**

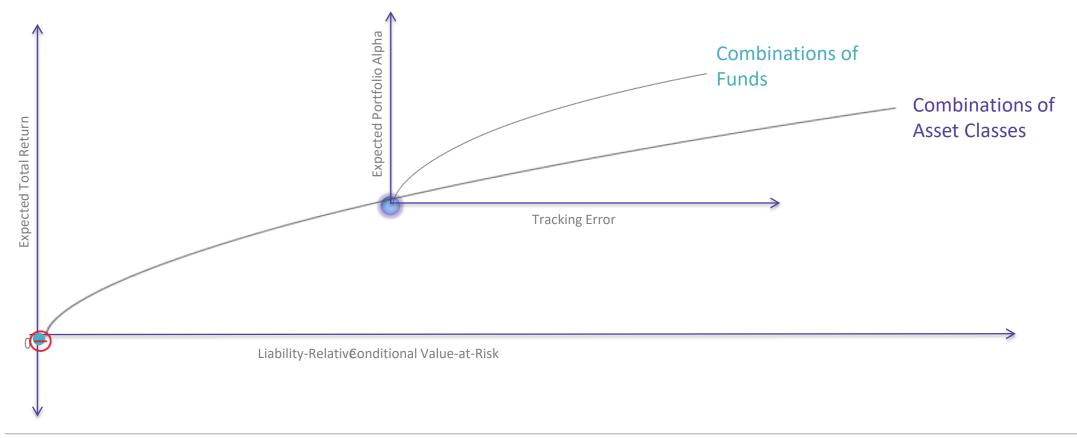
In addition to evolving Human Capital and Financial Capital and a Retirement Income Liability, the the circumstances and risks faced by participants evolve.





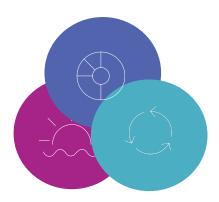
#### Total Wealth + Detailed Asset Allocation -> Portfolio Construction

The detailed asset allocation is the target. We use another type of optimization – an alpha-tracking **eptom**ization – to construction the portfolio using what we think are the best available funds.





#### **Portfolio Construction**





#### **Portfolio Construction | Asset Class Target Allocations**

Building block asset allocation targets lead to fund specific portfolios that enable us to create a custom, individualized blend that a) create the desired risk level portfolio with b) the desired, age-specific asset allocation characteristics.

$\downarrow$ Asset Classes Portfolios $\rightarrow$	Accumulation Do			Decumulation	ecumulation	
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	A1	A2	A3	D1	D2	D3
Large Cap Growth Stocks	2	7	12	1	8	15
Large Cap Value Stocks	2	10	17	2	11	22
Mid Cap Growth Stocks	1	3	6	1	4	8
Mid Cap Value Stocks	1	5	9	1	6	12
Small Cap Growth Stocks	0	2	4	0	1	4
Small Cap Value Stocks	0	2	5	0	1	4
International Stocks	2	13	26	1	11	20
Emerging Markets	1	5	12	0	3	6
REITs	0	2	4	3	3	4
Commodities	1	1	2	1	2	2
High Yield Bonds	7	5	0	7	4	0
Tips	10	5	0	24	12	1
Foreign Bonds	7	5	0	5	3	0
Bonds	59	33	3	43	28	2
Cash Equivalents	7	2	0	11	3	0
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	100	100
Equity	10%	50%	97%	10%	50%	97%
Fixed Income	90%	50%	3%	90%	50%	3%



# **Portfolio Construction | Analyzing the Plan Line Up**

Investment options in plan lineups are analyzed, filtered, assigned to "APC Peer Groups", and eventually passed into the portfolio construction optimization process for a potential allocation.

Screen investment options for minimum qualifying criteria (R2, return history, etc.)

**Establish Peer Groups based on asset class exposure** 

Rank investment options by performance metrics

Create a Select List of managers for use

**Final Qualitative Screen** 





## Fund Level Portfolio Construction | Fund Style Analysis

Beta exposures determined via returns-based style analysis, holdings analysis, or analyst override

↓ Funds	Large Cap Growth Stocks	Large Cap Value Stocks	Mid Cap Growth Stocks	Mid Cap Value Stocks	Small Cap Growth Stocks	Small Cap Value Stocks	International Stocks	Bonds	Cash Equivalents	Alpha	TE	R <sup>2</sup>
Used Funds												
Fidelity Contrafund Commingled R 3	84.65	0	0.11	4.76	0	0	4.24	0	6.24	-1.21	2.69	98.09
JPMorgan US Value R6	0	97.44	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.56	1.27	2.03	98.79
Vanguard Institutional 500 Index Trust	49.37	47.2	0	0	0	0	1.23	0	2.2	0.3	1.19	99.59
T. Rowe Price Instl Mid-Cap Equity Gr	2.48	3.56	61.1	22.58	0	0	7.2	3.08	0	-0.17	2.96	97.93
BlackRock Mid Cap Equity Index - Coll F	0	0	19.02	51.44	6.65	22.89	0	0	0	1.14	2.56	98.71
DFA US Micro Cap I	0	4.28	0	0.24	11.58	82.54	0	0	1.36	3.73	2.85	98.58
BlackRock Russell 2000 Index Fund M	0	0	0	0	50.66	48.98	0.36	0	0	0.39	0.41	99.97
American Funds Europacific Growth R6	0.81	0.6	0.18	0.08	0	0.03	92.43	0.34	5.53	-0.01	4.69	94.03
BlackRock EAFE Equity Index F	0	0	0	0	0	0	99.57	0.43	0	0.79	2.89	97.65
Vanguard Wellington™ Admiral™	18.42	39.77	0	0	0	0	2.57	39.24	0	0.4	1.91	97.66
Vanguard Long-Term Investment-Grade Adm	0.69	0	16.63	0	0	0	0	82.68	0	0.74	7.14	81.84
BlackRock US Debt Index M	0.15	0	0	0	0	0.01	0	99.83	0.01	0.02	0.13	99.95
Dodge & Cox Income X	0	0	0	5.39	1.79	0	1.99	82.72	8.11	0.51	1.16	96.27
FDIC Bank Option	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0.5	0
Stable Value Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0.5	0

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# **Portfolio Construction | Fund Portfolios**

Optimizer determines best fund combination and allocation based on the fund style analysis, fund alphas, fund tracking errors, and other business rule constraints

		Accumulation			Decumulation	
	Cons	Mod	Agg	Cons	Mod	Agg
Fidelity Contrafund Commingled P 3	0	0	3	0	0	3
JPMorgan US Value R6	3	0	4	0	3	7
Vanguard Institutional 500 Index Trust	0	9	25	4	11	31
T. Rowe Price Instl Mid-Cap Equity Gr	0	3	5	0	4	7
BlackRock Mid Cap Equity Index - Coll F	3	6	12	0	11	16
DFA US Micro Cap I	0	5	3	0	0	0
BlackRock Russell 2000 Index Fund M	0	0	7	0	0	5
American Funds Europacific Growth R6	0	3	3	0	3	3
BlackRock EAFE Equity Index F	4	14	35	3	11	25
Vanguard Wellington™ Admiral™	3	18	0	3	13	0
Vanguard Long-Term Investment-Grade Adm	0	0	0	3	0	0
BlackRock US Debt Index M	48	18	3	45	17	3
Dodge & Cox Income X	6	8	0	6	8	0
FDIC Bank Option	5	0	0	9	3	0
Stable Value Fund	28	16	0	27	16	0

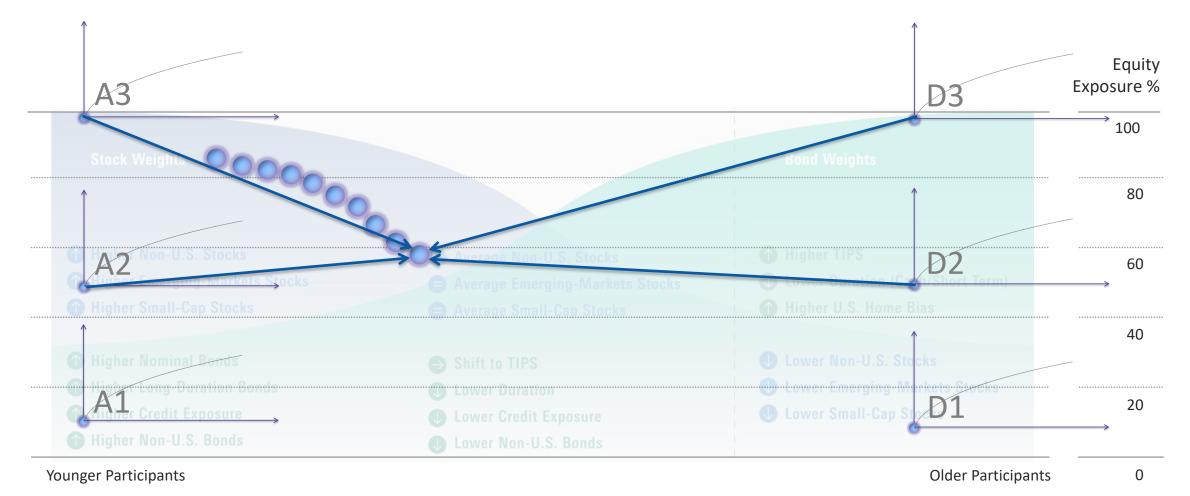
Unused Funds	Reason
Laivert US Large Cap Core Rsphb Idx Rb	Fund not included in the Select list. Other fund(s) from the same peer group have been chosen to fulfill Select
	list requirements

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# Total Wealth + Detailed Asset Allocation - Portfolio Construction

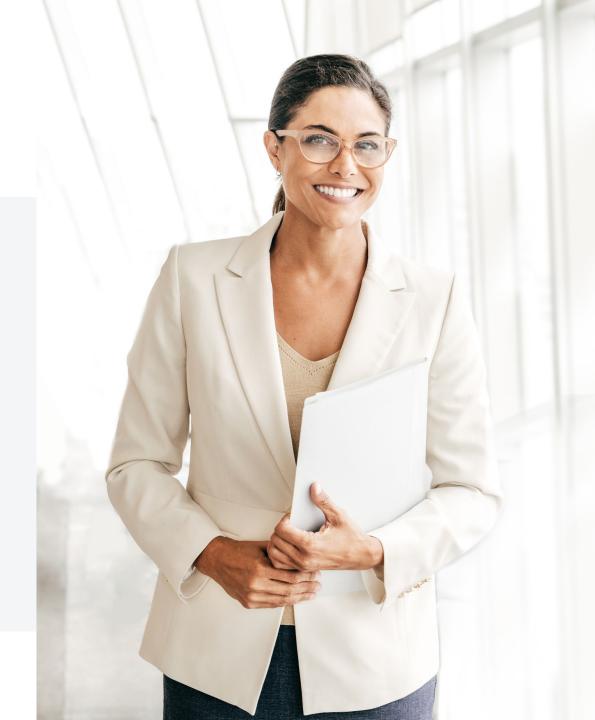
Notice that one can **blend** either a) **detailed asset allocations** or b) **fund specific portfolios** to achieve i) the desired **equity level** and ii) the desired, **age-appropriate detailed asset allocation characteristics**.





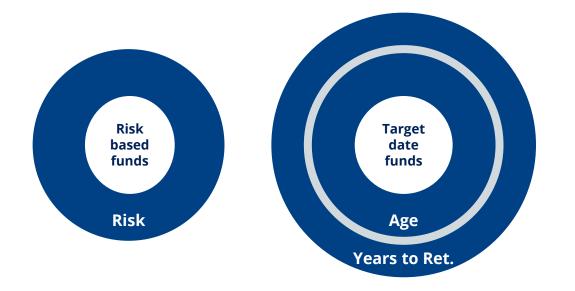


# Executing Advice with Participants



# How is this different than a RBF or TDF?

**Retirement savings strategy customized to each employee** 



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# Personalized advice from an Empower RPA

	rs. alternativ	e allocat	ion		
Asset class	Underweig	ht Overweight	Current	Alternative	Gap
U.S. stocks			32.4%	29.8%	2.6%
International stocks			12.0%	15.2%	-3.2%
U.S. bonds			47.7%	51.6%	-3.9%
International bonds			2.0%	0.0%	2.0%
Alternatives			0.2%	0.0%	0.2%
Cash alternatives			5.7%	3.4%	2.3%
Asset allocation	Risk profile	Equity/bond allocation	Historical return	Historical	risk
Current	Moderate Conservative	45%/55%	6.6%	7.8%	

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#### Set the agenda for the meeting

Introduce Retirement Plan Advisor (RPA) as an ongoing resource

*Listens with empathy, addresses questions, and follows a structured process to help drive action* 

#### Account review and goal setting

Build personal financial profile (e.g., Social Security, pension amount, outside accounts, and other income)

Discusses desired retirement goals (e.g., age and lifestyle)

#### **Retirement assessment**

Perform diagnostic assessment to assess goal tracking to help answer the question of "Am I on track?"

Uses our technology to run simulations

#### **Review analysis and next steps**

Deliver advice to help with savings strategies, investment diversification, and spend down

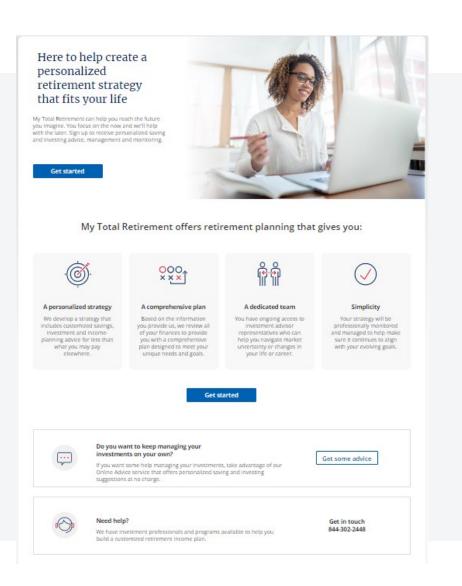
Provides a written plan and has the ability to implement changes

# Empower does Managed Accounts differently...

We **ONLY** want members to be a part of the service that:

- intend to enroll in the service (MA Enrollment Flow),
- understand the cost and intent of the service (Transparency),
- and receive ongoing value for the service (Ongoing Engagement).

# **MA Enrollment Flow**



#### My Total Retirement

We need some information to calculate the chance that your portfolio will support your spending goals throughout retirement. First, let's establish the timeline for your plan.

First name	Birth year	Retirem	ent age		
Taylor	1988	69			
Marital status	Tax filing s	status			
Single	▼ Single		-		
				Age 49	Retire @ 69
					_
					Next
Current savings					
\$25,482					
Yearly savings	\$6,	733			
n plan contributions	Employer contribution	ons	Age 49	Retire @ 69	
\$ 1,733	\$ 0				
Outside contributions					
\$ 5,000					
					ver monthly expenses
aylor base salary			in retirement \$ 5,000	t?	
\$ 54,500			\$ 5,000		
		re	ason, without pe	nalty.	, . ,
			ASSETS UNDER MAI		ANNUAL RATE
Current Allocation	ended Allocation	-	Up to \$100,000		0.55%
		100%	Next \$150,000		0.45%
_		75% 50%	Next \$150,000		0.35%
		25%	Over \$400.000		0.25%
US Stocks Int'l Stocks US Bonds	Int'l Bonds Alternatives Casl	096			0.2570

After enrollment, any company stock you hold in your account will be sold and the proceeds will be transferred according to the personalized investment strategy created for you. As a program member, you will be unable to purchase or sell additional company stock within your plan including directing any future contributions toward company stock.

# Transparency

#### **Empower Advisory Services**

Enrollment into My Total Retirement may cause an allocation change or rebalance to take place on your account.

Below are the applicable fees, which will be deducted directly from your retirement account. Fees are charged in the frequency and manner detailed in the Advisory Services Agreement. You can cancel your enrollment anytime, for any reason, without penalty.

	ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT	ANNUAL RATE
Current Allocation Recommended Allocation	Up to \$100,000	0.45%
100% 75%	Next \$150,000	0.35%
50%	Next \$150,000	0.25%
25% US Stocks Int'l Stocks US Bonds Int'l Bonds Alternatives Cash	Greater than \$400,000	0.15%

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Advisory services materials including the terms of service, regulatory documents and ongoing communications are available in English only. If you need translation assistance, please work with a qualified translator to ensure you fully understand your obligations upon enrollment.

By clicking the "Agree" button, you confirm you have reviewed and agree to the Advisory Services Agreement, and you acknowledge that you have received the ADV Disclosure Brochure and the Privacy Policy.



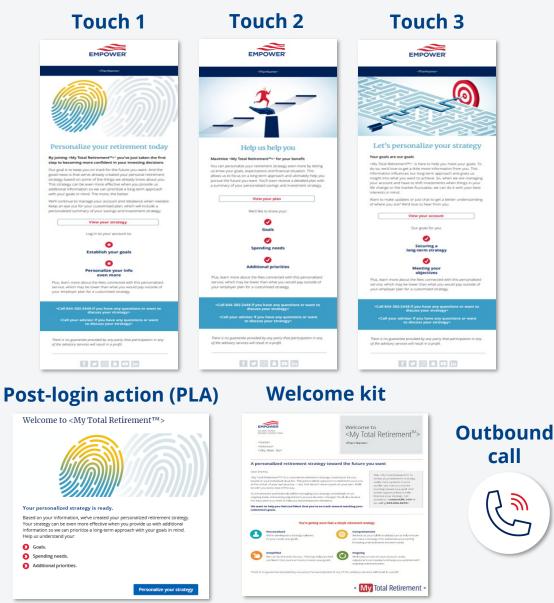
# Ongoing Engagement – Welcome to your professionally managed account

Objective	Welcome to newly enrolled members into the managed account service and encourage them to personalize their profile
Channel	<ul> <li>Email</li> <li>Outbound call</li> <li>Post-login action (PLA)</li> <li>Welcome kit</li> </ul>
Audience	Newly enrolled in My Total Retirement or Advisor Managed Account
Timing	Triggered — 1 day after enrollment

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#### Number of touches: 3 emails, 1 post-login action, 1 welcome kit, outbound call



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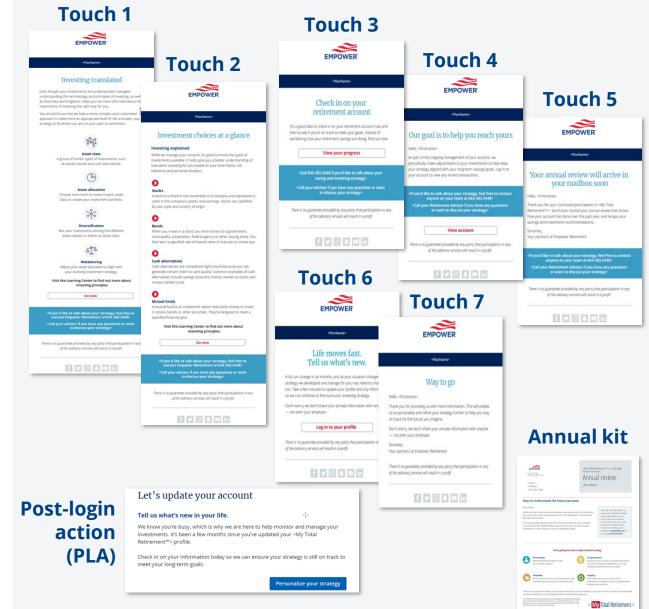
# Ongoing Engagement – Engage with your professionally managed account

Objective	Provide ongoing engagement with members in advisory services
Channel	<ul> <li>Email</li> <li>Post-login action (PLA)</li> <li>Annual kit</li> </ul>
Audience	Enrolled in My Total Retirement or Advisor Managed Account
Timing	Ongoing — 4 emails sent once per year <b>AND</b> Triggered — 3 emails based on activity

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# Data shows that savers benefit when advice is offered



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As of June 1, 2020. Empower recordkeeping data. Advisory Services participants average 10% higher savings rates than target date fund savers and have 16% higher web utilization.
 As of March 27, 2020. Empower recordkeeping data.
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