

Quick Step Guide to MEHP Enrollment

If you are already receiving Social Security benefits, you will automatically be enrolled in Medicare Parts A & B and be sent a Medicare card. You should not have to contact Social Security to enroll in Medicare.

RETIREE GUIDE TO ENROLLING IN THE TRS MEHP

Step 1	<p>If not currently receiving Social Security benefits, contact your local Social Security office to enroll in Medicare. Some people may be able to apply online at ssa.gov/medicare.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enroll in Medicare Part B.• Enroll in Medicare Part A only if you qualify and it is free. See additional enclosed information for ways you could qualify.• Do not enroll in a Part C or Part D plan because the TRS MEHP provides it.
Step 2	<p>Use your Medicare number obtained from either your Medicare card or from your <i>my</i> Social Security account at ssa.gov to complete your MEHP enrollment form.</p>
Step 3	<p>MEHP enrollment must be received by TRS no later than the last day of the month before your birth month*. Include a copy of your Medicare card if available. Paper applications are accepted but paperless enrollment is recommended through the TRS Pathway member self-service at https://mss.trs.ky.gov/.</p>
Step 4	<p>If you're currently covering dependents, you must complete a Kentucky Employees' Health Plan (KEHP) retiree enrollment form to continue or to waive coverage for remaining dependents. When doing this through Pathway, the MEHP enrollment must be completed first.</p>

SPOUSE GUIDE TO ENROLLING IN THE TRS MEHP

Step 1	<p>If not currently receiving Social Security benefits, contact your local Social Security office to enroll in Medicare. Some people may be able to apply online at ssa.gov/medicare.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enroll in Medicare Part A <u>and</u> Part B.• Do not enroll in a Part C or Part D plan because the TRS MEHP provides it.
Step 2	<p>Use your Medicare number obtained from either your Medicare card or from your <i>my</i> Social Security account at ssa.gov to complete your MEHP enrollment form.</p>
Step 3	<p>MEHP enrollment must be received by TRS no later than the last day of the month before your birth month*. Include a copy of your Medicare card if available. Paper applications are accepted but paperless enrollment is recommended through the TRS Pathway member self-service at https://mss.trs.ky.gov/. The TRS retiree must be registered through Pathway to enroll the spouse in the MEHP online.</p>

The MEHP is a Medicare Advantage medical plan and a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan.

*Birthdays on the first of the month get Medicare a month early and are eligible for the MEHP one month early.

TRS spouses that waive this coverage will NOT be permitted to enroll in the future unless they experience a valid qualifying event.