

IMRF 101:

Enrollments, Wages, Data Collections, and Reports





Introduction

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AGENDA

Enrollments

Contributions and Wages

Data Collections

Resources and **Reports**









When you hire someone, you must ask, do you expect this employee to work 600 hours in a year's time?

- 1. If so, they must be enrolled immediately
- 2. Participation is mandatory by statute





- 1. Enrollment is based on number of hours expected to be worked during
 - a 12-month period.
 - -track hours from hire date
- 2. There is no probation period with IMRF enrollment.
- 3. If hiring an IMRF retiree, contact IMRF







ENROLLMENT Multiple Positions





Position 1

- Bus driver
- 500 hours
- School District 83

Position 2

- Lunch monitor
- **200** hours
- School District 83

Position 1

- Landscaper
- 400 hours
- Park District

Position 2

- Maintenance Staff
- 400 hours

County



PROBLEM POSITIONS



Bus Drivers



SUBS



Contractual Workers



Students





TIPS ENROLLING MEMBERS IN EMPLOYER PORTAL

- 1. must enroll member before you report 1st months wages
- 2. When enrolling member, please include the member's personal email address
- 3. Tier assignment determined by IMRF
- 4. Pension funding begins immediately





CONTRIBUTIONS AND WAGES





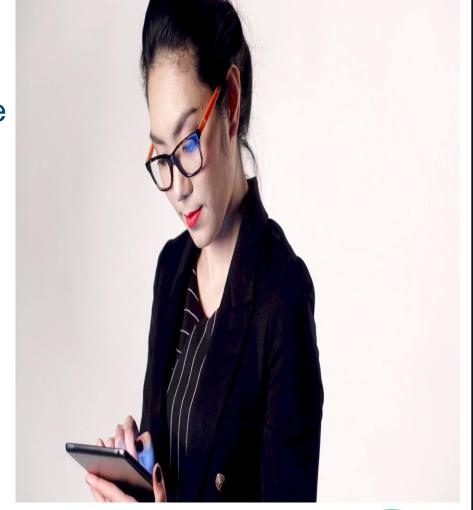
CONTRIBUTIONS

Employer Rate

- Each employer funds its own employees' retirement costs- every employer has a different rate
- Disability, death, and 13th Payment contributions
- Changes Every January 1st

Member Rate

- 4.5% tax deferred
- > set by statute







Contributions

Voluntary Additional Contributions (VAC) Plan

- Optional Contributions
 - Up to 10% of IMRF reportable earnings after tax
 - Currently earn an interest rate of 7.25%
 - Caution for mid-month changes in VAC
- Based on IMRF wages, do not deduct:
 - From SLEP Tier 2 overtime
 - Tier 2 cap \$127,283.01 effective 1/2025/VAC stops when they stop contributing for the year
 - If employee has over 40 years of service and has stopped contributing





IMRF Earnings

Submit wage report (data collection) and payments monthly

Report IMRF wages through the calendar month after termination

- For example, if the termination date is June 1, wages paid through July 31 are reported
- Make sure to indicate "Y" for Final Wages

See Section 3.96 of the Authorized Agents Manual for more information





Employer Optional Earnings

- Resolution to Include Compensation Directed into a Retirement Health Savings Plan as IMRF Earnings;
- Resolution to Include Compensation Paid Under an IRC Section 125 Plan as IMRF Earnings;
- Resolution to Include Taxable Allowances as IMRF Earnings
- Resolution to Include Cash Payments in Lieu of or Related to Health Insurance as IMRF Earnings;





Non-Reportable Earnings

- Workers' compensation payments (Unless supplemented)
 - See Section 3.96 R in the AA MANUAL
 - Call IMRF Legal Department (for clarification if needed)
- Tier 1 wages in excess of \$350,000 if member participation started after January 1, 1996
- Tier 2 participants, 2025 limit is \$127,283.01



TIPS WHEN REPORTING WAGES

- 1. Wages are always reported in the month the wages are paid to the member
- 2. The earliest you can report wages for a calendar month is on the 1st of the next month or later
- 3. Wage report and payment must be received by the 20th each month for the previous month to avoid late fees
- 4. Once a wage report has been submitted, the only way to change what you reported is through a separate "wage adjustment" data collection





DATA COLLECTIONS





WHAT ARE DATA COLLECTIONS

DATA COLLECTIONS ARE USED TO REPORT AND MAKE CHANGES IN THE IMRF SYSTEM. TYPES OF DATA COLLECTIONS ARE:

- 1. ENROLLMENTS
- 2. MEMBER INFORMATION CHANGES
- 3. REPORT WAGES
- 4. ADJUST WAGES
- 5. REPORT A DISABILITY

- 6. REPORT A RETURN TO WORK FROM DISABILITY
- 7. TERMINATE MEMBERS
- 8. CHANGE OR TERMINATE INSURANCE PREMIUMS





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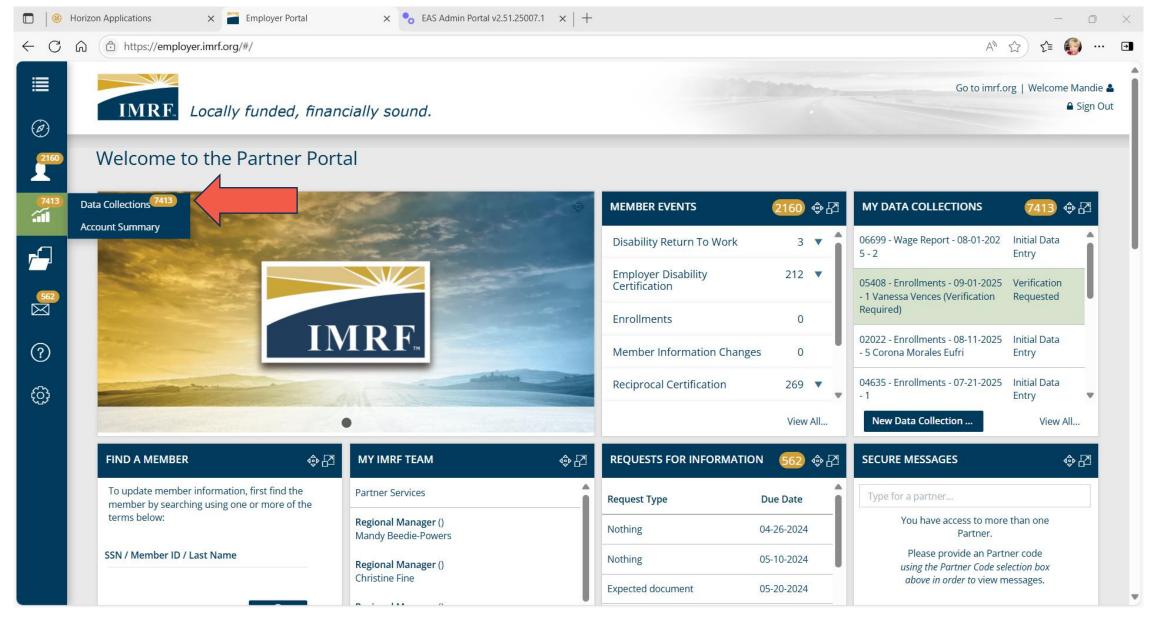
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DATA COLLECTION TIPS

- Red Error you must change what the error addresses to complete the data collection
- Orange Warning You can complete the data collection by approving the warnings by answering the question or questions the system asks
- The only way you have completed a data collection, is after you hit "submit" and "confirm".
- Some data collections must be "verified" by IMRF before they are processed



ENROLLMENTS DATA COLLECTION

- TIPS: 1. For position, use teacher's aide/paraprofessional if they assist in the classroom/all other positions choose, "general position, common law employee"
 - 2. include member's personal email address
 - 3. Expected annual hours –always use 600





Member Information Changes

Change a member's:

- 1. Name
- 2. social security number
- 3. marital status
- 4. address and phone number
- 5. Job position







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 If reporting wages in the same month you enrolled member, you must change start date for that member to the date you enrolled them

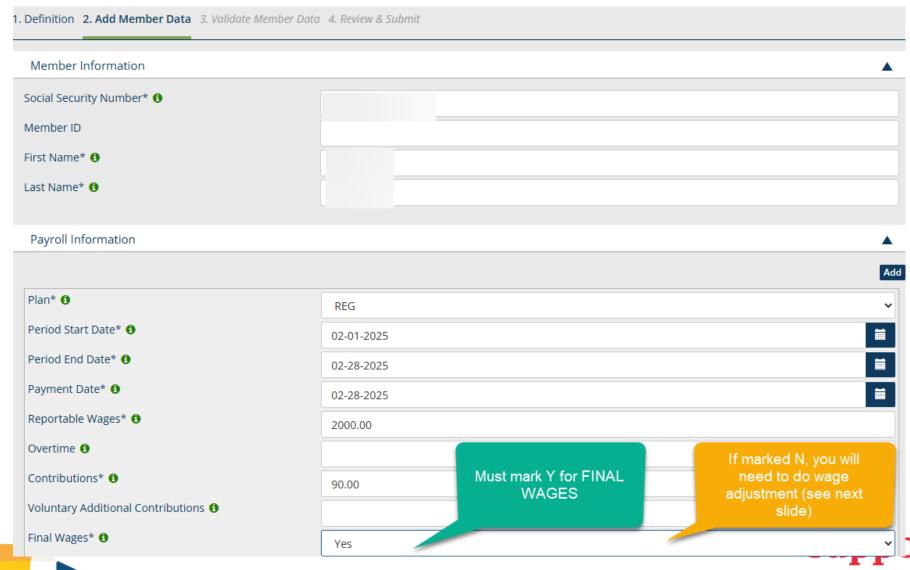
-If it's the member's last month of wages, please change final wage indicator to a Y for yes.

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Final Wage Indicator Wage Report



RESOURCES AND REPORTS





Resources for Authorized Agents

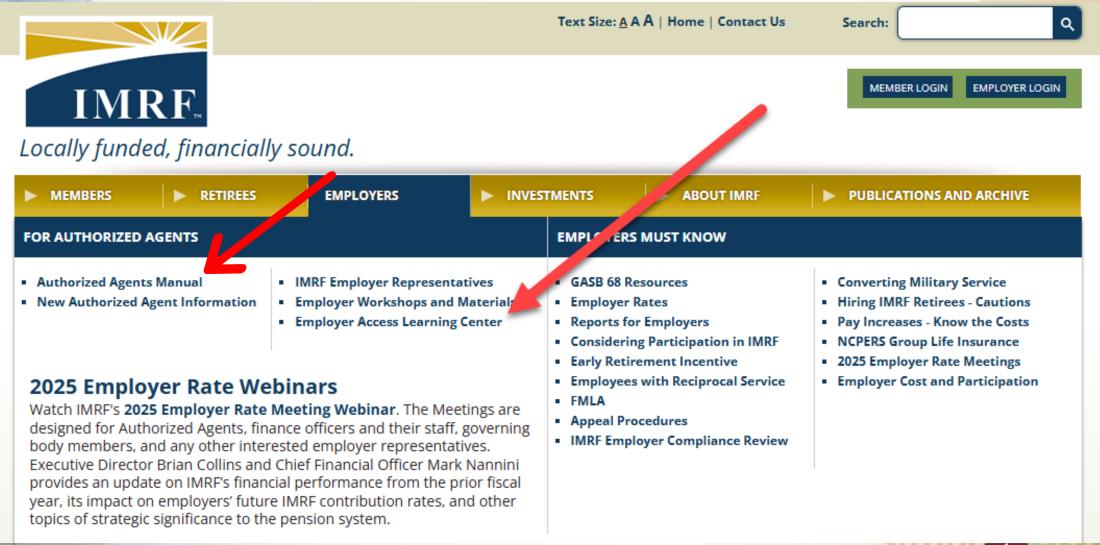
- **Employer Access**
- **Employer Learning Center**
- **■**Workshops
- Authorized Agent Manual







RESOURCES: EMPLOYER ACCESS LEARNING CENTER AND AUTHORIZED AGENT MANUAL







MEMBER LOGI

EMPLOYER LOGIN

Locally funded, financially sound.

MEMBERS

► RETIREES

▶ EMPLOYERS

▶ INVESTMENTS

▶ ABOUT IMRF

▶ PUBLICATIONS AND ARCHIVE

Employer Access Learning Center (EALC)

for IMRF Employers

Welcome to the Employer Learning Center! On the right are key training materials to help you complete all of your daily tasks. Below is a description of what is in each area. All Employer Resources or training materials are provided to suit the users preference for learning. You may choose a PDF of steps to complete your task, review a PowerPoint or watch a recorded MP4 video.





Employer Access Management: In this section, you will find all functions to set up or remove your staff's (team member's) Employer Access.



Wage Report Procedures: This section includes all information to assist in creating and submitting your monthly wage report.



Wage Adjustment Procedures: Here, you will find all information to make individual or bulk wage adjustments in current/ prior years.



Manage Member Events: Please refer to this section for instructions on how to enroll, terminate, or update a member's information, view a member's profile, or file for disability.

Employer Resources

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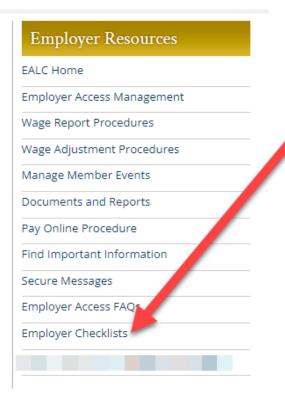
2025 Final Rate Notice Generator

2026 Preliminary Rate Notice Generator

Employer Checklists

Please review the helpful checklists below when enrolling an employee, terminating an employee or submitting death, disability and retirement benefits.

Training Topic	Format
Should this employee be enrolled in IMRF?	PDF
Participation - Steps to enroll employees in IMRF	PDF
Death Benefit Checklist	PDF
Disability Checklist	PDF
Termination Checklist	PDF
Retirement Application Checklist	PDF





Annual Documentation

There are two main purposes for our documentation



Projects your future costs



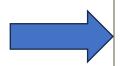
Financial reporting





Where to find instructions on how to find important documents





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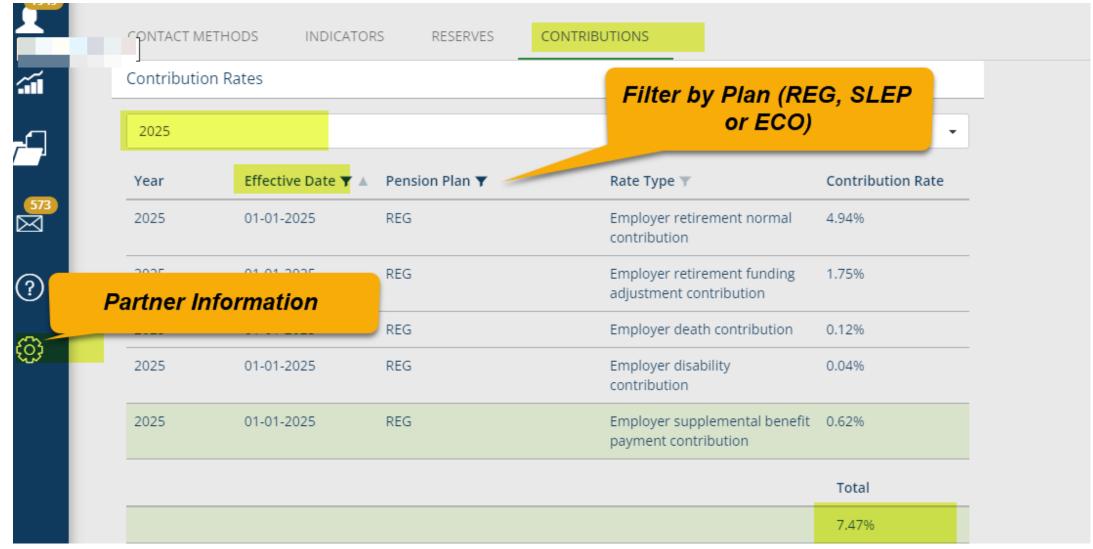
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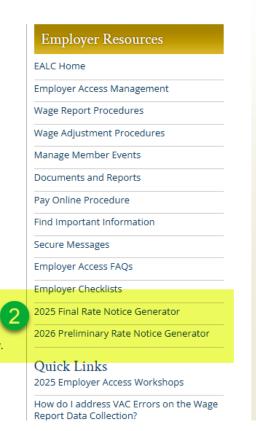
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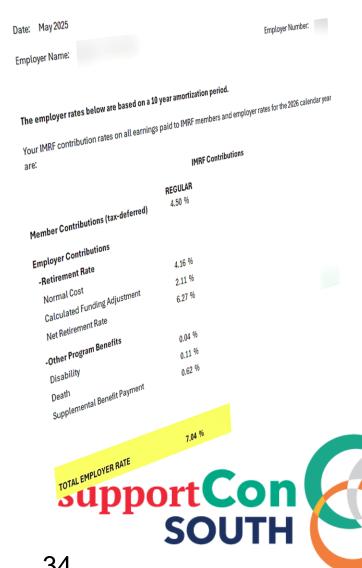
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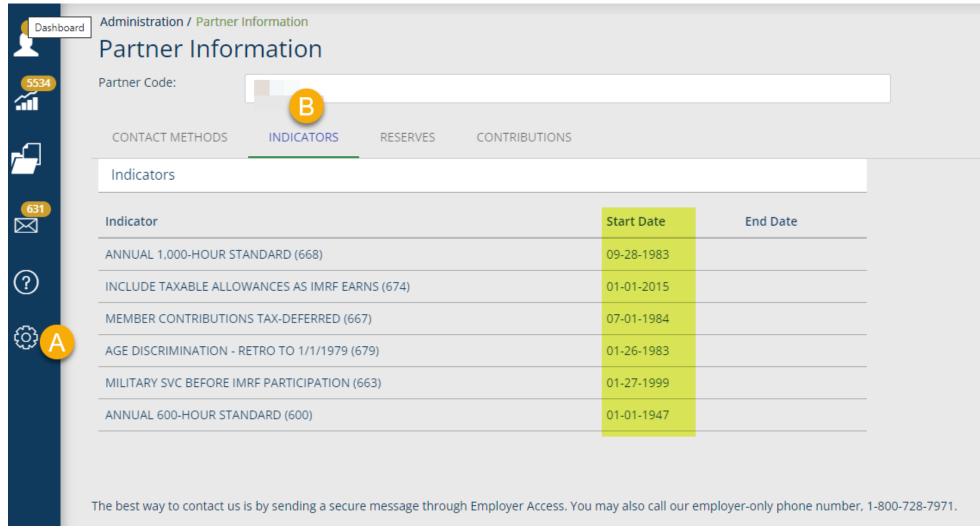


Contribution Rates for Calendar Year 2026



September 23, 2025 | SPRINGFIELD

How to Locate Resolutions





What Can You Find in Document Viewer?

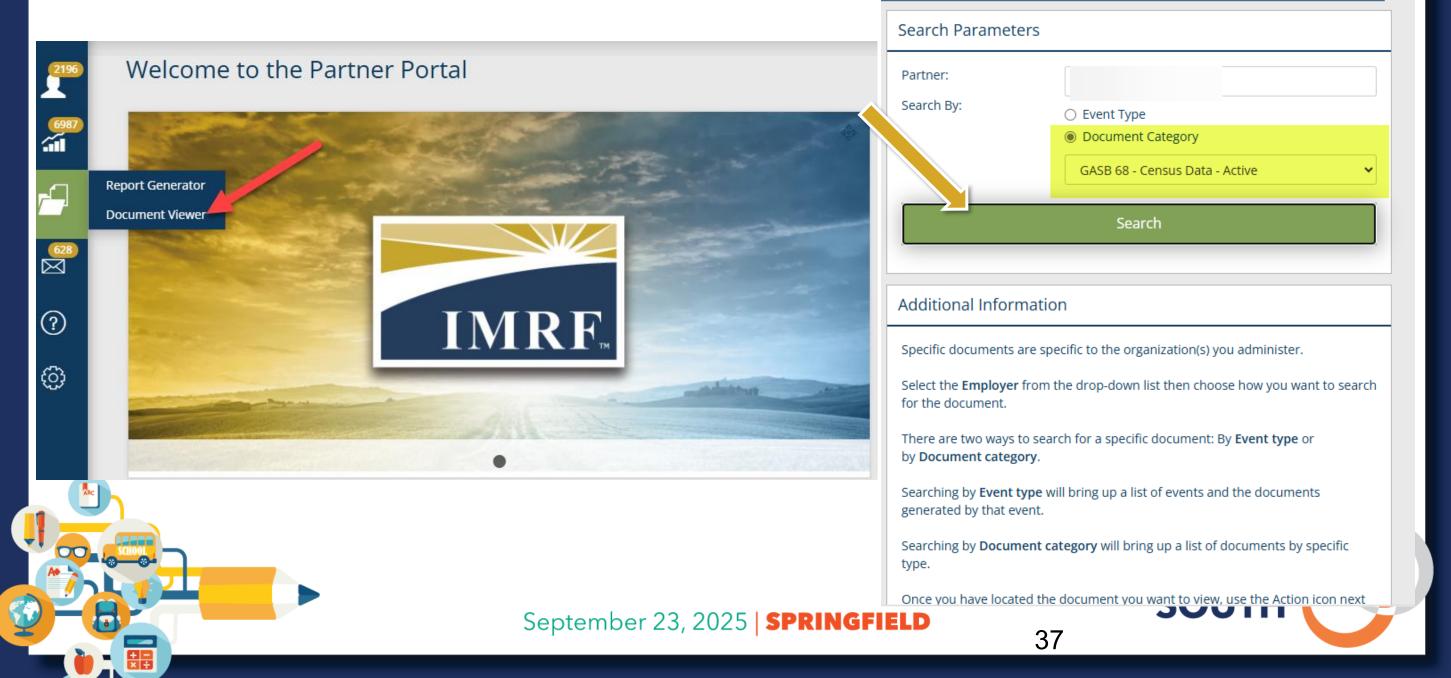
Forms are in alphabetical order

- 1. forms auditors need such as: GASB50, GASB68
- 2. Invoices and Payment Notifications
 - -closest documents to the old monthly summary reports
- 3. Accelerated Payment Statements with details

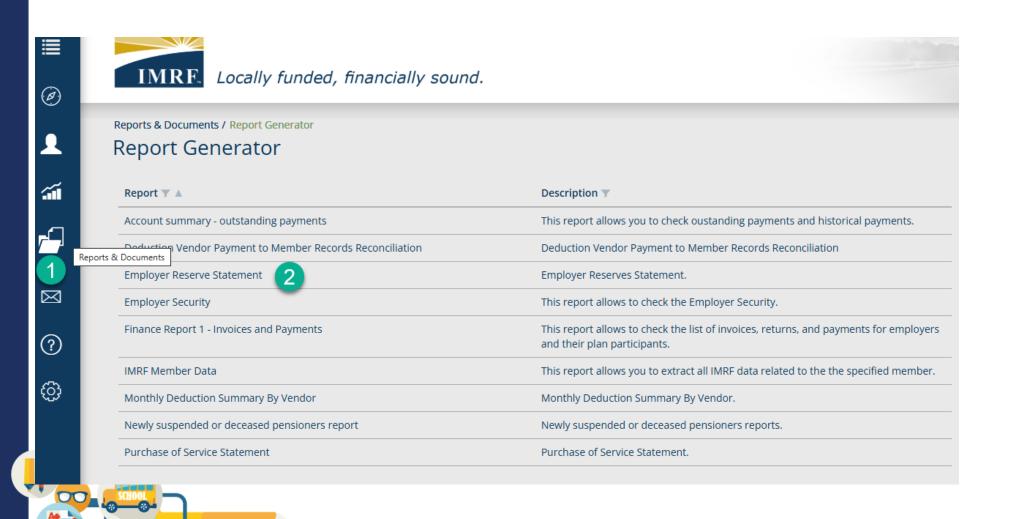


How to View Documents

(Payments, A/P Stmts, GASB reports and more)



Employer Reserve Information Now Available





HOW TO CONTACT US



 Please contact our Employer Support Team at

•1-800-728-7971

•or submit a secure message.

Questions and Answers

We thank you for your time!



