

March 16, 2020 Bulletin from the H&W Trustees

The Trustees of the PPWC – Employer Trusteed Health & Welfare Plan met on March 2nd and would like to update you on a number of items relating to your group benefit coverage.

New Return to Work Form

In the event you become disabled and it is deemed appropriate for you to return to work in some capacity, there is a new return to work form for you to complete and send back to your disability provider – Desjardins. The Trustees have worked with Desjardins to streamline as well as standardize the return to work form in order to ensure consistency in the process across all participating mills in the Trust.

The new return to work form is available from your employers' or Desjardins.

2020 Plan Administrator and Health & Welfare Committee Training Session

The Trustees hosted a training session for the Joint Health & Welfare Committees on March 3, 2020. The Trustees aim to provide this training tri-annually and it is intended to ensure the Health & Welfare Committees understand their roles and responsibilities as it relates to this Plan and ensure the Committees are operating effectively. In addition to learning the core elements of the Trust, this year's theme was focused on how to effectively communicate, whether that be as part of the disability management process or generally in understanding the details of the health and welfare plan and all it provides for members.

Tax T4A Issuance

If you were disabled in 2019 and received a disability benefit, this income needs to be reported on your taxes. T4A tax receipts will be mailed to you directly by Desjardins Financial. If you do not receive your tax receipts, please contact Desjardins at 604-718-4410 or 1-800-667-6267.

Life Insurance Conversion Privileges

The Plan provides group life insurance benefits to its members. If you leave the Plan and you are age 65 or under you may be eligible to purchase an individual life insurance policy from Desjardins Financial without having to provide evidence of good health or undergo a medical exam, provided you do so within 31 days of the date your group life insurance benefit is terminating. Conversion applications can be obtained through your Mill Administrator.

Trustee meeting dates for 2020

June 11, 2020

October 22, 2020