

The Texas A&M University System
Benefit Change Form



With few exceptions, you have the right to request, receive, review and correct information about yourself collected using this form.

Name _____
Last (please print) First MI UIN or Social Security number

Complete items one through four, the sections for the benefits you wish to change, #15 if you are changing anything other than health, and the signature section on page 4.

1. If you have a spouse/parent/child who currently works for The Texas A&M University System, please provide his/her name _____ and UIN/Social Security number _____ and check here _____ if you are transferring from his/her coverage to your own.

2. Previous name (if applicable) _____

3. New address (if applicable) _____
Street City State ZIP
New phone number (if applicable) (____) _____

4. You *must* check one of the following to indicate why you are completing this form:
- a. ___ I was hired within the last 60 days. My date of hire was: _____
 - b. ___ I am making a change within 45 days after my state contribution eligibility date.
 - c. ___ I had a Change in Status less than 60 days ago. (Describe the change from the list below and state the date it occurred.)
Change in Status: _____ Date: _____
 - d. ___ I wish to cancel and/or decrease Optional Life, Dependent Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, and/or Long-Term Disability. Complete the appropriate sections for the coverage(s) you wish to change. Changes will take effect the first of the month following receipt of the form in your Human Resources office.
 - e. I have ___ have not ___ used any tobacco products within the past 3 months.

CHANGES IN STATUS

If a dependent becomes ineligible for coverage, only that dependent may be dropped. However, if a new dependent is added to medical, dental, vision or dependent life coverage, other existing dependents can be added to the coverage without having to provide evidence of good health. In general, changes will be effective the first of the month following receipt of this form in your Human Resources office. When adding dependents, you may have a choice of effective dates, as described on the Dependent Enrollment/Change Form. Contact your Human Resources office for more information. The following are Changes in Status:

- Employee's marriage or divorce or death of employee's spouse
- Birth, adoption or death of a dependent child
- Change in employee's, spouse's or dependent child's employment status that affects benefit eligibility, such as leave without pay, benefit eligibility with current employer
- Child becoming ineligible for coverage due to reaching maximum age or marrying (dependent children enrolled in health coverage may be married)
- Changes in the employee's, spouse's or a dependent child's residence that would affect eligibility for coverage
- Employee's receipt of a qualified medical child support order or letter from the Attorney General ordering the employee to provide (or allowing the employee to drop) medical coverage for a child
- Changes made by a spouse or dependent child during his/her annual benefit/insurance enrollment period with another employer
- The employee, spouse or dependent child becoming eligible or ineligible for Medicare or Medicaid
- Significant employer- or carrier-initiated changes in or cancellation of the employee's, spouse's or dependent child's coverage
- Change in day care costs due to a change in provider, change in provider's fees (if the provider is not a relative) or change in the number of hours the child needs day care (for Dependent Day Care Spending Accounts)
- The employee or dependent child loses coverage under the state Medicaid or child health plan or becomes eligible for premium assistance under the Medicaid or child health plan.
- HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights

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Date Stamp

HEALTH

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- You may enroll in coverage, cancel coverage or add/drop dependents during your initial 60-day enrollment period, during Annual Enrollment or within 60 days of experiencing a Change in Status (see first page of form). If you wish to make your health coverage effective before your employer contribution eligibility date, you will pay the full premium until you begin receiving the employer contribution. *Please allow 7 business days processing time to carrier before scheduling appointments or receiving prescriptions.*
 - You may change health plans during your initial 60-day enrollment period or during Annual Enrollment.
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5. I am adding coverage for myself _____. (To add dependent coverage, complete a Dependent Enrollment/Change Form.)
6. I wish to enroll in the following carrier _____
7. I understand that A&M Care health care coverage begins on my state contribution eligibility date. If my Human Resources office receives this form during my initial 60-day enrollment period, I want my chosen coverage to begin:
 _____ on the first of the month after the day on which my Human Resources office receives this form
 _____ on my employer contribution eligibility date
8. I am cancelling coverage for myself (if you have any covered dependents, their coverage will also be cancelled.) _____
To cancel coverage for dependents only, complete a Dependent Enrollment/Change Form.

If you elected health coverage, proceed to #15. You must also complete a Beneficiary Designation Form.
 If you cancelled your health coverage, proceed to #10.

BASIC LIFE / ALTERNATE BASIC LIFE

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9. I certify ____ do not certify ____ that I have other health coverage.
If you certify that you have other health coverage, you may enroll in Alternate Basic Life coverage (#12). On your employer contribution eligibility date, up to 1/2 of the employee-only contribution will be applied to premiums for the following coverages, if you are enrolled: Alternate Basic Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, dental, vision and Long-Term Disability (LTD). If you do not certify that you have other health coverage, you may purchase Basic Life coverage (#13, but you are not eligible for the employer contribution. You may not enroll in both Alternate Basic Life and Optional Life.
 10. I have other health insurance through (pick one of the following):
 An A&M system-offered health plan as a dependent _____
 A state-provided plan such as the Employee Retirement System or University of Texas System as a former employee _____
 A state-provided plan such as the Employee Retirement System or University of Texas System as a dependent _____
 Another company, affiliation plan or Medicare, Medicaid or other government-offered plan _____
 11. I wish to enroll in Alternate Basic Life coverage. Yes ____ No ____ (If yes, complete a Beneficiary Designation Form. If no, proceed to #15.)
 12. I wish to purchase Basic Life coverage. Yes ____ No ____ (If yes, complete a Beneficiary Designation Form and proceed to #15.)
 13. I wish to cancel my Basic/Alternate Basic Life coverage _____.
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EFFECTIVE DATE OF OPTIONAL COVERAGES

14. If my Human Resources office receives this form during my initial 60-day enrollment period, I want the coverages I've selected on this
 Change form to begin:
 _____ on the date of the Change in Status. However, if this form is received in the Human Resources office after the Change in Status, the change will be effective the first of the month after the receipt of the form. (If the form is received the first day of the month, coverage can be effective on that day.)
 _____ on the first of the month after the day on which my Human Resources office receives this form
 _____ on my employer contribution eligibility date
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DENTAL

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- You may enroll/cancel and add/drop dependents during your initial 60-day enrollment period, during Annual Enrollment or within 60-days of experiencing a Change in Status (see first page of form).
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15. I wish to enroll in: A&M Dental ____ Dental HMO ____
 16. I am adding coverage for myself ____ To add dependent coverage, complete a Dependent Enrollment/Change Form.
 17. I am cancelling coverage for myself (if you have any covered dependents, their coverage will also be cancelled) _____
 To cancel coverage for dependents only, complete a Dependent Enrollment/Change Form.

VISION

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- You may enroll or cancel coverage during your 60-day enrollment period during Annual Enrollment.
- You may add/drop dependents during your 60-day enrollment period, during Annual Enrollment or within 60 days or experiencing a Change in Status (see first page of form.)

18. I am adding coverage for myself _____. To add dependent coverage, complete a Dependent Enrollment/Change Form.

19. I am cancelling coverage for myself (if you have any covered dependents, their coverage will also be cancelled) _____.

To cancel coverage for dependents only, complete a Dependent Enrollment/Change Form.

OPTIONAL LIFE

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- To add coverage after your initial 60-day enrollment period, increase coverage, or enroll in the four, five or six times salary option, you must complete a Minnesota Life Evidence of Insurability Form, available from your Human Resources office or online at www.tamus.edu/assets/files/benefits/pdf/EOI2010.pdf. However, if you have a Change in Status (see first page of form), you may enroll in half or one times salary or increase coverage one increment to three times salary within 60 days of the event without providing evidence of insurability. You may cancel coverage at any time.
- You may not enroll in Optional Life if you have Alternate Basic Life coverage or are covered under Dependent Life by a spouse who works for The Texas A&M University System.
- If enrolling, you must name beneficiaries using a Beneficiary Designation Form or by going to <https://sso.tamus.edu/logon.aspx?appid=51> and clicking on My Beneficiaries.

20. I want the following coverage amount: ½___ 1___ 2___ 3___ times my annualized salary.

21. I have ___ have not ___ used tobacco products within the past 3 months.

22. If I have had a decrease in my percent effort (for example, from full-time to 75%), I would like to:

 ___ keep my original amount of coverage

 ___ adjust my coverage amount to match my salary

23. I want to decrease or cancel coverage: Cancel ___ Decrease to 1/2 ___ 1 ___ 2 ___ 3 ___ 4 ___ 5 ___

DEPENDENT LIFE

- After your initial 60-day enrollment period, you must complete additional forms (available from your Human Resources office or online at tamus.edu/benefits/publications/#insurance) to apply for coverage unless you have had a Change in Status (see first page of form).
- To add or cancel coverage on dependents, you must complete a Dependent Enrollment/Change Form (available from your Human Resources office or online at tamus.edu/benefits).
- You may not enroll your spouse in Dependent Life if your spouse has Optional Life or Alternate Basic Life coverage as an employee of the A&M System.
- Under this coverage, you are the primary beneficiary. To name a secondary beneficiary, complete a Beneficiary Designation Form.

OPTIONAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT

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- You may enroll in or change your coverage during your initial 60-day enrollment period or during Annual Enrollment.
- You may change from employee-only to family coverage and vice versa during your 60-day enrollment period, during Annual Enrollment or within 60 days of experiencing a Change in Status (see first page of form).
- You may decrease or cancel coverage at any time.
- If you choose family coverage, all eligible dependents will be covered automatically.
- If enrolling, you must name beneficiaries using a Beneficiary Designation Form: <https://sso.tamus.edu/logon.aspx?appid=51> and clicking on My Beneficiaries.

24. I want employee-only coverage ___ family coverage ___.

25. I want coverage in the amount of \$___,000 (Amounts over \$250,000 cannot exceed 10 times salary, to a maximum of \$800,000.)

26. I want to cancel coverage on myself (if you have family coverage, it will also be cancelled) ___ or on my family only ___.

LONG-TERM DISABILITY*

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- You may enroll during your initial 60-day enrollment period, during Annual Enrollment, or within 60 days of a Change in Status (see first page of form).
- You may cancel coverage at any time.

*Pre-Existing Condition Limitation: A pre-existing condition is any injury or illness for which you have consulted a physician, received medical treatment, care or services (including diagnostic measures), taken prescribed drugs or medicines, or incurred expenses during the 3 months prior to the "effective date of your insurance. If you become disabled due to a pre-existing condition, you will not receive benefits unless your disability begins more than 12 months after the effective date of your coverage.

