

## **COVID-19 Retirement FAQ** <sup>[1]</sup>

This page addresses employees getting ready to retire and current retiree concerns regarding the CU system office remote working arrangements and the impact on retirement and retiree benefits.

### **Retirement Plans**

#### **Will I still be able to request a distribution from my CU 401(a), CU 403(b), PERA 401(k) and/or PERA 457 accounts?**

Yes. You will still be able to take distributions from your retirement/savings accounts as outlined below

##### **CU 401(a) or CU 403(b)**

Contact TIAA at (800) 842-2252 or visit [www.tiaa.org/cu](http://www.tiaa.org/cu) <sup>[2]</sup> and request your distribution. Your distribution request will be submitted electronically to CU for authorization.

If you want to submit a paper distribution form:

**Mail** the form to Employee Services, 1800 Grant St., Denver, CO 80203

**Email** the form directly to [thomas.martinez@cu.edu](mailto:thomas.martinez@cu.edu) <sup>[3]</sup>

**Fax** the form to Employee Services at (303) 860-4263

##### **PERA 401(k) or PERA 457**

Complete either the PERA 401(k) and/or PERA 457 Plan Participant Employment Termination Notification Form(s) and:

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There is a two to three business day turnaround on all electronic requests and a 7 to 10 day turn around on paper distribution forms.

**I have a paper distribution form requiring an Employer Authorized Signature. How do I acquire the signature while the Employee Services**

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## **I am a PERA Member and just terminated my employment with CU. I want to complete a refund/rollover of my PERA DB account. Will the office closure of Employee Services hinder my refund/rollover?**

No, to have the Employer Termination Certification completed and submitted to PERA, email your name, Employee ID, and Date of Termination directly to [thomas.martinez@cu.edu](mailto:thomas.martinez@cu.edu) <sup>[3]</sup>.

If your termination and last paycheck are in good order, then the Employer Termination Certification will be completed and submitted electronically to PERA without delay. There is a one business day turnaround for these requests.

## **Employees Ready to Retire**

### **How do I start the process, if I am going to retire in the next 2-3 months?**

- If you are a PERA member, please contact PERA regarding your eligibility to retire.
- Review the [Employee Services website](#) <sup>[4]</sup> for retiree benefit eligibility and information.
- E-mail [benefits@cu.edu](mailto:benefits@cu.edu) <sup>[5]</sup> to request an appointment. At this time, appointments will be via telephone.

### **I am going to retire in 2-3 months and will need to sign-up for Medicare. Can I get the form needed to accompany my Medicare Part B application and other retiree benefit forms?**

Yes, all documents can be e-mailed to you.

### **How do I find out about my eligibility for retiree benefits? I am not going to retire within 2-3 months.**

Review the [Retirement Ready booklets](#) <sup>[4]</sup> found on the Employee Services website.

### **How do I find out my years of service?**

E-mail [benefits@cu.edu](mailto:benefits@cu.edu) [6], and a benefits professional will provide this information.

## **Will my rehire/retiree and retiree benefits be entered in a timely manner?**

Yes. However, your campus department must enter the termination for retirement and process final pay prior to the entry of the rehire and benefits.

## **Current Retirees**

### **What if I have a question regarding my retiree medical coverage?**

Please contact the insurance vendor directly:

- Anthem: Visit [www.anthem.com/cuhealthplan](http://www.anthem.com/cuhealthplan) [7] or call 800-735-6072
- Kaiser: Visit [www.kp.org/cuhealthplan](http://www.kp.org/cuhealthplan) [8] or call 877-883-6698
- Delta Dental: Visit [www.deltadentalco.com](http://www.deltadentalco.com) [9] or call 800-610-0201
- Medicare: Visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) [10] or call 800-633-4227

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[1] <https://www.cu.edu/employee-services/covid-19-retirement-faq>

[2] <http://www.tiaa.org/cu>

[3] <mailto:thomas.martinez@cu.edu>

[4] <https://www.cu.edu/employee-services/benefits-wellness/leaving-cu/retiring-cu>

[5] <mailto:benefits@cu.edu>

[6] <mailto:benefits@cu.edu?subject=Years%20of%20service>

[7] <http://www.anthem.com/cuhealthplan>

[8] <http://www.kp.org/cuhealthplan>

[9] <http://www.deltadentalco.com>

[10] <http://www.medicare.gov>