

SAVE TIME WITH SAN FRANCISCO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 401(K) MULTIPLE EMPLOYER PLAN

Join a multiple employer plan (MEP) to ease the burden of administering your retirement plan and receive support

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES WITH A SINGLE EMPLOYER 401(K) PLAN	RESPONSIBILITY DETAILS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY WITH A MEP
ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES	Remit plan contributions Track contribution limits Track catch-up contributions Distribute mandatory communication notices ¹	Adopting Employer Transamerica Transamerica/NPPG Transamerica
DISTRIBUTION PROCESSING	Approve/deny hardship requests Approve/deny loan requests Prepare loan amortization schedules Coordinate loan deductions Process distributions upon termination	NPPG NPPG Transamerica Transamerica Transamerica
DUE DILIGENCE RESPONSIBILITIES	Investment monitoring and due diligence Investment choice additions/deletions Retirement plan review	401(k) & 403(b) Fiduciary Advisors, Inc 401(k) & 403(b) Fiduciary Advisors, Inc 401(k) & 403(b) Fiduciary Advisors, Inc
PLAN COMPLIANCE	Consultative design services Advanced allocation designs Proprietary plan document support Preparation of amendments Monitor pending legislative actions Merger and acquisition support	NPPG/401(k) & 403(b) Fiduciary Advisors, Inc NPPG NPPG NPPG NPPG NPPG
TESTING	Annual census collection Mid-year testing Year-end testing	NPPG/Adopting Employer N/A NPPG
ANNUAL REPORTING	Form 5500 preparation Audit support Forms 945, 1096, and 1099 preparation	NPPG NPPG NPPG
ENROLLMENT AND EDUCATION	Track eligibility Notify participants of eligibility Establish deductions with payroll Conduct onsite enrollment workshops Conduct ongoing employee education	Transamerica Transamerica Adopting Employer 401(k) & 403(b) Fiduciary Advisors, Inc Transamerica/401(k) & 403(b) Fiduciary Advisors, Inc
PARTICIPANT ASSISTANCE	Provide asset allocation tools Explanation of distribution options and tax and tax implications Qualified domestic relations order (QDRO) support and analysis	Transamerica Transamerica NPPG/Transamerica



ADDITIONAL MEP BENEFITS

In addition to administrative responsibilities, you can enjoy many benefits of joining a MEP including:



Reduced liability, as fiduciary support and most responsibility is assumed by professional plan service providers



Support with investment selections and performance oversight



Access to participant communications, plan notifications, and education support

Ready to learn more?

Contact us today to receive more information about the program or to schedule a personal consultation.

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¹Refer to the PASS Service Addendum for specific notices included.

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While a multiple employer plan (MEP) arrangement offers adopting employers the ability to delegate fiduciary functions to the MEP provider, employers should be aware that they still retain the fiduciary responsibility for selecting and monitoring the MEP provider. Because an MEP is treated as a single plan, a violation of the qualification rules by an adopting employer could affect the qualified status of the plan as a whole. In order to be treated as a single plan under the qualification rules, the adopting employers of an MEP must share a commonality — a connection among the adopting employers, such as a trade or professional organization.

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