

# Plan Highlights

# **Enrollment and Eligibility**

You are immediately eligible to participate in the plan and can enroll at any time.

- By mail: Complete an enrollment form.
- By phone: 866-NJSEDCP (866-657-3327) toll-free. Participant service representatives are available weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET. Toll-free TDD is available at 877-760-5166.
- Online: newjersey.retirepru.com
- In person: Just contact your local Prudential Retirement Education Counselor.

Your account contributions will begin as soon as administratively feasible after your enrollment.

# **Highlights of the NJSEDCP**

# Contribution Types

#### Pre-tax

Traditional pre-tax contributions are automatically deducted from your paycheck before current federal taxes are taken out. These contributions grow tax-deferred until withdrawal.

#### After-tax

Roth after-tax contributions are automatically deducted from your paycheck after taxes are paid. The contributions and potential earnings can be withdrawn tax-free in retirement if you meet certain requirements.

#### **Rollovers**

If you have other retirement accounts—for example, with former employers—you can roll them into your NJSEDCP account. Please contact your current account provider to ask about fees or surrender charges.

### Salary Deferrals<sup>1</sup>

### Up to \$19,500 in 2020

You can contribute up to 65% of your salary, up to the annual limit. Keep in mind, there are some mandatory deductions that must be made prior to any deferred compensation contributions.

## Catch-Up Contributions

Make traditional pre-tax or Roth after-tax contributions—or a combination of both.

### Age 50+ catch-up contribution

If you are age 50 or older as of Dec. 31, 2020, you can contribute an extra \$6,500, for a total contribution amount of \$26,000 in 2020.

### Special 457 catch-up contribution

Your plan also offers a special 457 catch-up contribution for participants who have not always maximized their annual contributions to the NJSEDCP. If eligible, your maximum annual contribution would be \$39,000 in 2020.

You may make a catch-up contribution in addition to your regular contribution during a three-year period prior to the year you retire (once eligible). The maximum catch-up contribution can't exceed your regular contribution amount for that year.

### Investment Options<sup>2</sup>

The New Jersey State Employees Deferred Compensation Plan offers a variety of investment options. You can decide how you want to invest your money and may move money between investments at any time. For more information, visit **newjersey.retirepru.com**.

#### GoalMaker<sup>3</sup>

Your plan offers GoalMaker®, an optional, easy-to-use asset allocation program available at no additional cost to you.

1 Choose how many years until you plan to retire.

16+ YEARS 11-15 YEARS 6-10 YEARS 0-5 YEARS

**2** Determine your investor style—how much market risk and fluctuation you're generally OK with.

#### CONSERVATIVE

Wants to minimize risk and maintain principal. Concerned about short-term ups and downs.

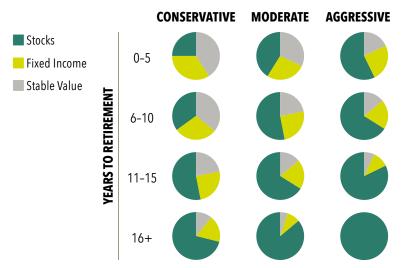
#### **MODERATE**

Willing to sacrifice safety of principal for potentially greater returns. Tolerates modest ups and downs.

#### **AGGRESSIVE**

Seeks to maximize investment returns. Tolerates substantial ups and downs.

**3** GoalMaker uses these two bits of information to offer a portfolio of investments for your consideration.



#### REBALANCING

Market fluctuations mean your allocations can drift out of balance.
GoalMaker rebalances your investments every quarter.

#### AGE ADJUSTMENT

You can set GoalMaker to automatically adjust your allocations over time, becoming more conservative as you get closer to retirement.

### Making Changes<sup>4</sup>

### You can make changes at any time.

- Contribution increases take effect with the first payroll of the following month.
- Contribution decreases take effect with the next available payroll, or as soon as administratively feasible.
- Choose new investments, or exchange money between funds, at any time.

# **Accessing Your Money**

You may be able to access money in your retirement plan account.

### **Unforeseeable Emergency Withdrawals**

They may include unexpected medical expenses and other events. Your contributions to the plan will be suspended for six months upon application, whether or not your request is approved.

### **Purchase of Service Credit**

For more information, please call the Division of Pensions and Benefits at **609-292-7524**.

#### In-Service Withdrawal

If you have rollover assets in the plan, you may take an in-service withdrawal of these funds. Any rollover assets must be withdrawn before applying for an unforeseeable emergency withdrawal.

#### In-Service Distributions

You can receive a one-time, in-service distribution of your account in a lump sum if the total account is less than \$5,000 and no contributions have been made during the previous two years.

### Questions?

Schedule an appointment with your local Prudential Retirement Education Counselor. Visit **newjersey.retirepru.com**.

### Separation

Have a plan for your account balance if any of the following occurs:

- Your employment with the State ends
- You become permanently disabled
- You die

### Distribution Options

- Leave your money in your account (subject to federal rules on Required Minimum Distributions)
- Schedule a series of regular, automatic withdrawals
- Take a full or partial lump-sum withdrawal
- Transfer your balance to another retirement account
- Purchase an annuity—a kind of account that guarantees a specific amount of income over a specified period

### Taxes<sup>5</sup>

If you withdraw money from your account that you had contributed by making traditional pre-tax contributions:

- You usually pay taxes at your current income tax rate for the year in which you receive the money you withdraw from your NJSEDCP account
- A 20% mandatory withholding for federal income tax is automatically deducted from withdrawals paid directly to you (with certain limited exceptions)
- Amounts withdrawn before age 59½ are not subject to the 10% federal income tax penalty

Prudential Financial and its representatives are not tax or legal advisors. Consult your own legal or tax advisor with specific questions.



# Questions?

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# Where will retirement take you?



- <sup>1</sup>Deferrals do not reduce your Social Security taxes or benefits and may not exceed the maximum allowable limits. Deferrals may be subject to state income tax when made. Prudential is not a legal or tax advisor. Talk with your tax advisor for more specific tax information.
- <sup>2</sup>Please see the Fund Profiles provided with the enrollment materials for additional information about your investment choices, including mutual fund ticker symbols.
- <sup>3</sup>Please note that in addition to the specific funds used in the GoalMaker portfolios, other funds with similar risk and return characteristics may be available to you.
- <sup>4</sup>Excessive trading can harm an investment's performance and the retirement security of long-term investors. Mutual fund companies and other providers of retirement investment products have rules prohibiting this practice in order to protect the interests of all retirement plan investors. The Excessive Trading Monitoring Program is part of Prudential's ongoing commitment to help all our retirement plan investors grow and protect their wealth. The program is designed to identify plan participants who are engaging in excessive trading of one plan investment for another plan investment and to stop such trading. Please contact Prudential for more information.
- <sup>5</sup>The taxable portion of any disbursement not rolled over is subject to federal income tax at the investor's personal federal income tax rate. State and local income taxes may also be due on the funds you receive. This information has been provided for your benefit and is not intended or designed to be tax advice. Please consult with a tax advisor for further clarification.

This material is intended to be a summary of plan features and does not include all plan provisions. You should refer to the plan document for complete information.

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GoalMaker is an optional tool and available at no additional cost. GoalMaker's model allocations are based on generally accepted financial theories that take into account the historic returns of different asset classes. Past performance of any investment does not guarantee future results. Prudential Financial encourages participants to consider their other assets, income and investments when enrolling in the GoalMaker program. We also recommend participants periodically reassess their GoalMaker investments to make sure their model portfolio continues to correspond to their changing attitudes and retirement time horizon.

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