



# Supplemental Retirement Plans – Communications Strategy

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# Overview

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- Mission/Vision
- Targeted Communication - Audience Definition
- Enhance Communication Effectiveness
- Streamline Processes
- Next Steps



# Mission

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- To provide resources and encourage engagement among North Carolina's public employees to promote their retirement readiness.
- To promote fiscal health of the state and North Carolina citizens by providing high-quality options for a secure retirement.
- To provide prudent oversight and governance of plans.



# Vision

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- To provide personalized resources and solutions to ensure a high level of participant satisfaction and allow all members to achieve a secure retirement.
- To make employers “site champions,” enthusiastic advocates with a high level of satisfaction and confidence in the plans as an effective tool for employee recruitment and retention.
- To provide the preferred retirement savings plan for North Carolina public employees.



# Targeted Communication – Audience Definition

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Audience broken down into four distinct groups targeted communication/education:

- Actively participating members
- Non-participating but eligible
- Inactive (separated from service)
- Inactive (retirees in drawdown stage)



# Enhance Communication Effectiveness

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- Raise awareness around retirement readiness via the Annual Benefits Statement. Target communication based on audience.
- Special Topics:
  - Transferring pension assets to plans
  - Consolidating 401(k)s
  - Education for retirees



# Streamline our Processes

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- Shorter production time
- Lower cost
- Ability to link directly to online resources from the newsletter



# Next Steps

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- Overlaying Supplemental and general Retirement communications to promote holistic approach, identify opportunities for alignment
- Analyzing demographic, geographic data to identify targeting opportunities (enrollment, contribution levels, etc.)
- Dedicated campaign to get more members online

