



Health Care Reform News

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Applications for Early Retiree Reinsurance Program Now Being Accepted

The Early Retiree Reinsurance Program was established in the Affordable Care Act. Congress appropriated funding of \$5 billion for this temporary program, which became effective June 1, 2010, under interim final rules published by the Department of Health and Human Services on May 5, 2010. The program ends no later than January 1, 2014. The program will reimburse employers for medical claims for retirees age 55 and older who are not eligible for Medicare, and their spouses, surviving spouses, and dependents. **Employers, including state and local governments and unions, who provide health coverage for early retirees are eligible to apply.** Reimbursements will be available for 80% of medical claims costs for health benefits between \$15,000 and \$90,000. Program participants will be able to submit claims for medical care going back to June 1, 2010.

Links to Program Applications and Additional Information

- [Program Application](#)
- [Program Application Instructions](#)
- [Application Submission Dos and Don'ts](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Fact Sheet](#)
- [US Department of Health and Human Services Website](#)

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insurance
coverage to
early retirees?**

Please contact your Unison Benefit Consultant with any questions on how the Early Retiree Reinsurance Program applies to you.

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