Resources for Qualified Plan Fiduciaries

9-Employee Education Checklist

For Plan Sponsors





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A Focus on Plan Fiduciaries

Plan sponsors, in their role as qualified plan fiduciaries, have the duty to act in the best interest of the plan and its participants. These worksheets and checklists have been designed to assist you in meeting your responsibilities, thereby helping to potentially mitigate your fiduciary risk.

The materials in this brochure have been created to provide a wide range of resources to help you manage your responsibilities and consider any current or future Qualified Plan needs.

As a Retirement Plan Advisor and AIF® we can provide further information and resources about your fiduciary duties, and help you understand how our worksheets and checklists can assist you in your fiduciary due diligence.

In providing information about ERISA standards and responsibilities, you must remember that this is general information only and you should consult your own attorney for specific legal questions on the application of ERISA to your plan.

Employee Education Checklist

Creating meaningful retirement benefits is the goal of your plan, but most employees have a limited understanding of both investment fundamentals and how much needs to be saved. Sponsoring a robust and ongoing qualified retirement plan education program for your employees makes good business sense, and it can provide an excellent basis for protection against potential fiduciary liability claims.

Plan:	Date:	
Building an Ongoing Education Program	Topics for Consideration	Communication Methods
 Establish education objectives Work with service providers to choose topics that correlate with plan objectives and discuss presentation support Develop an annual education calendar 	 Saving for Retirement Market Volatility Retirement Income Investment Basics – Asset Classes Investment Basics – ETFs, Mutual Funds, Variable Annuities, etc. Investment Basics – Understanding Your Performance Retirement Plan Distributions The Importance of Rollovers 	 Group Meetings – All Ages Group Meetings – Segmented by Age or Years of Participation One-on-One Guidance Letters Employee & Employer Newsletters Email Campaign Notes/messaging inserted on paycheck stubs or participant plan statements
	The Pros and Cons of Plan Loans	

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