

My husband and I had a combined 42 years of state service before retiring in 2011/12. Starting at entry level positions most of those years were low pay. During that time we visited a financial advisor suggested by the state and were told, you don't make enough money, you need to get different jobs, you will never retire! But, we knew the benefits offered were more important than money in our pocket, so we stayed the course. Now, at the age of 69, when we need the prescription plan the most, we are losing this easy to use, cost effective, life saving benefit. I have made a Medicare account and entered the 13 medications my husband needs after a heart attack. Trying to choose the best, cost effective plan that covers all of these medications from 26 different plans is very confusing. The out of pocket costs vary greatly with each plan. Most have high deductibles. Some drugs are covered but only on different plans.

I am asking the state to honor the agreement offered when we were hired. We did our part. We put in the dedicated years.

Thank you for your time.

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