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MPERS New Look!

As you may have noticed above, we have a new logo! As part of our 60th anniversary celebration, we have updated our logo and revamped our website! The web address is still the same, www.mpers.org, but the look and functionality of the site have been improved! The new website is mobile friendly, includes improved navigation, and has been redesigned to be more beneficial and informative....there is even a link to view the current, and past editions of *The HR Connection*. We are excited to provide this site to you, but recognize it may still need additional features. Subsequently, the site will include a member feedback feature available for anyone to submit comments or questions whenever they see fit. Of course, there is still a direct link on the site to [Secure Member Access](#). Some features of the new site are still under construction, but if you notice something missing, or that just doesn't look right, please let us know!

There is a section on our website, designed specifically for you, as the employers. The **Employer** section includes The HR Connection and the HR Reference Manual, as well as links to Workplace Possibilities, Publications, and Forms. This is also where you will find the *Membership Record*, *Leave of Absence*, and *Termination of Employment* forms. Please take some time to download the latest version of our forms. All forms have been updated to include the new logo, and others received some minor tweaks. If there is additional information or features you would like on this page, please let us know!

Protecting our Members & Their Loved Ones

In February, we notified you that we no longer have access to Interagency Mail, and encouraged you to start sending forms to us electronically, either via fax or email. At that time, we also reminded you to never send a document that contains a full social security number. Since that time, we've received several documents via email from you. For the most part, you have all been pretty good about not sending information that contains the member's social security number....but don't forget about their beneficiaries. Even though only the member's last four digits of their social security number may be on a form, if you are sending in a beneficiary form to our office (which we do need the beneficiary's full social security number on), these cannot be sent via email, unless the email is encrypted. These forms can be sent to us securely via fax (573-522-6111) or you may send them via postal mail.