

2014 Open Enrollment Useful Links for Synod Staff

Information for Everyone

Description	Link
<p>News Article — Portico Responds to Health Care Reform with New Health Benefit Options for 2014 Portico’s announcement of 2014 ELCA health plan changes; includes information about all 2014 contribution rates (e.g., health, retirement, disability, survivor)</p>	<p>https://www.porticobenefits.org/NewsEvents/News/2013_08_13_ChurchActionPavesTheWay.aspx</p>
<p>Video — Healthy Today, Healthy Tomorrow A short explanation of how and why the ELCA health plan is changing</p>	<p>http://vimeo.com/70508219</p>
<p>Video — 2014 Open Enrollment: The 15-Minute Primer A primer on 2014 Open Enrollment and new health benefit options being introduced by Portico this fall; designed specifically for ELCA synod offices to use and share; includes answers to frequently-asked questions</p>	<p>http://vimeo.com/72834883</p>
<p>Calculator — 2014 Benefit Costs Projects an organization’s monthly costs to provide ELCA benefits in 2014</p>	<p>https://www.porticobenefits.org/home/resources/calculators</p>
<p>PDF — ELCA Philosophy of Benefits Articulates the role of benefits in ministry; helps organizations, rostered leaders, and other church employees make benefit decisions in alignment with ELCA values; revisions approved by the ELCA Church Council in August 2013</p>	<p>https://www.porticobenefits.org/~media/Files/PDF/ELCA_Philosophy_of_Benefits.ashx</p>
<p>Website — Kaiser Family Foundation on Health Reform Offers objective interpretation and analysis of the Affordable Care Act from an independent, non-profit foundation</p>	<p>http://kff.org/health-reform/</p>

Information for ELCA-Primary Plan Members

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<p>myPortico Portico’s website for plan members</p>	<p>https://myportico.porticobenefits.org/</p>
<p>Member Decisions A list of choices members should consider this fall; includes details for members in special situations, such as sponsored couples and multiple employments (requires sign in)</p>	<p>https://myportico.porticobenefits.org/OverviewLifeChanges/OpenEnrollment/EnrollmentCenter/AboutOpenEnrollment.aspx</p>
<p>Personal Health Benefit Comparison Report An online report that compares a member’s potential out-of-pocket and buy-up costs for the four 2014 health benefit options; Portico encourages every member to review their report (requires sign in)</p>	<p>https://myportico.porticobenefits.org/OverviewLifeChanges/OpenEnrollment/Comparison.aspx</p>
<p>myPortico 2014 Open Enrollment Center The online location where members learn about 2014 benefit choices (requires sign in)</p>	<p>https://myportico.porticobenefits.org/OverviewLifeChanges/OpenEnrollment/EnrollmentCenter.aspx</p>

Information for Sponsoring Employers

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<p>EmployerLink Portico’s website for sponsoring employers</p>	<p>https://employerlink.porticobenefits.org</p>
<p>Employer Decisions A list of choices employers should consider this fall; includes details for employers in special situations, such as not currently sponsoring anyone, or sponsoring part of a couple (requires sign in)</p>	<p>https://employerlink.porticobenefits.org/Resources/OpenEnrollment/EnrollmentCenter/AboutOpenEnrollment.aspx</p>
<p>Custom Health Benefit Comparison Report A PDF report that compares an organization’s contribution amounts for the four 2014 health benefit options; Portico requires every employer to review their report (requires sign in)</p>	<p>https://employerlink.porticobenefits.org/Resources/OpenEnrollment/EnrollmentCenter.aspx</p>
<p>EmployerLink 2014 Open Enrollment Center The online location where employers learn about 2014 benefit choices (requires sign in)</p>	<p>https://employerlink.porticobenefits.org/Resources/OpenEnrollment/EnrollmentCenter.aspx</p>