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Benefits Updates | September 29, 2025

It's time to mark the calendar: Open Enrollment is coming!

[Open Enrollment](#) for the 2026 plan year begins **Monday, October 13, 2025, at 8 a.m. and ends on Friday, October 31, 2025, at 6 p.m. ET.** During this period, the Division of State Group Insurance (DSGI) will host in-person benefit fairs across the state.

To better serve employees during the Open Enrollment period, Benefits Administration will also provide [Virtual Benefit Workshops](#), offering the opportunities to connect one-on-one with participating vendors and benefit specialists.

Save the date: Benefits Fair is around the corner!

Panthers are highly encouraged to **attend FIU's Annual [Benefits Fair](#)** this Open Enrollment season:

- ⇒ **Date:** Thursday, October 23, 2025
- ⇒ **Time:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- ⇒ **Location:** FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus (MMC), Graham Center Ballrooms
- ⇒ Exhibitors will share valuable resources, giveaways, door prizes and much more!

Biscayne Bay Campus employees may ride the [Panther Express](#) to the Benefit Fair free of charge with [pre-registration](#).

Live Educational Webinars Hosted by FIU | October & November 2025

FIU is committed to supporting employees' financial wellbeing. Every other Wednesday in October and November, the Benefits Administration team will be hosting a series of informative [live webinars](#) covering **Medicare, Social Security benefits, retirement planning**, and more!

- ⇒ To view the webinar schedule visit go.fiu.edu/retirementwebinars and register today!

Educational Retirement Webinars Offered by FRS

Planning for retirement and understanding the benefits available are important steps toward achieving financial security. The Florida Retirement System (FRS) is offering free financial planning workshops for all FRS-covered employees. These sessions are available virtually via Zoom and are designed to help participants better understand Social Security, retirement options, and available employee benefits.

To attend the upcoming sessions, registration can be completed by calling 1-866-446-9377 (Option 2, TRS 711) or by clicking the session links below:

Wednesday, October 1, 2025	Thursday, October 2, 2025
Social Security and Your Retirement 10:00am – 12:00pm	Nearing Retirement in the FRS 10:00am – 12:00pm
Understanding Your Benefits Under the FRS Pension Plan 1:00pm – 3:00pm	Group Health Insurance 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Questions? Contact Benefits Administration at benefits@fiu.edu.