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# TWO CONFERENCES, ONE LOCATION

ublic-sector workers deserve quality healthcare and pension benefits – but it takes persistence, creativity, and insight to provide such benefits at a time when political priorities are in constant flux. As we enter a presidential election year, our industry faces new challenges.

Obamacare, the president's signature healthcare initiative, has withstood two Supreme Court challenges, yet repeal efforts persist even as its popularity climbs. Meanwhile, a shakeup in Republican

leadership of the House means new faces and new agendas. In the Senate, Chairman Orrin Hatch (R-UT) of the Senate Finance Committee has pledged to advance his proposed Secure Annuities for Employee (SAFE) Retirement Act – which would turn public pension plans over to private life insurance companies and has become the single biggest threat to public pensions at play on Capitol Hill.

Attending the NCPERS Healthcare Symposium and Legislative Conference in January will be crucial for every individual and company involved in the public pension industry. Our programs will inform and prepare industry stakeholders to take on hard issues and challenges. Pension trustees, executive directors, administrators, pension staff members, union officials, attorneys, accountants, actuaries, investment managers, and benefit design consultants will all benefit from these two programs.

For cutting-edge information and analysis and the tools needed to protect healthcare and pension benefits, look no further than the NCPERS Healthcare Symposium and Legislative Conference.

Both the NCPERS Legislative Conference and Healthcare Symposium will take place at the same venue – the Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C. – making participation both easy and economical.



# **HEALTHCARE SYMPOSIUM**

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### ABOUT THIS CONFERENCE

The Healthcare Symposium was created to provide knowledge and information to those who work on healthcare and retirement issues for public funds. This one-day program will focus on healthcare reform and the regulatory changes that affect plans around the United States and Canada.

### WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

The Healthcare Symposium will provide you with up-to-date information on implementation and regulations surrounding the Affordable Care Act (ACA), Medicare, and other federal and state healthcare issues.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Individuals and companies involved in the public pension industry, including, but not limited to, pension trustees, executive directors, administrators, pension staff members, union officials, attorneys, accountants, actuaries, investment managers, and benefit design consultants.

## PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Agenda is subject to change.

## **Sunday, January 24**

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Healthcare Symposium Breakfast 7:00 AM - 4:30 PM Healthcare Symposium Registration 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Healthcare Symposium General Session I ACA: Update from HHS

The Future of the Excise Tax

The Latest Bulletin on Medicare

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Healthcare Symposium Lunch

Healthcare Symposium General Session II 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

What's Trending in the Health Insurance Space?

Politics That May Impact Health Policy

Panel Discussions with Unions, Employers, and Pension Plans

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Joint Conference Networking Reception\*

> \*Attendees of both the Healthcare Symposium and Legislative Conference are welcome to attend this reception.

# **LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE**

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### **ABOUT THIS CONFERENCE**

The NCPERS Legislative Conference directs the public pension industry's advocacy effort and legislative strategy to Congress and the Administration by offering sessions with Hill staff, Administration officials, and Washington opinion makers on key issues on Capitol Hill and in federal regulatory agencies that affect pension funds today.

### WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

The Legislative Conference provides you with a great opportunity to learn about the critical legislative and regulatory issues that affect your fund. It will equip you with the tools needed to deal with the political and legislative challenges that face your pension funds.

Attend this conference and hear from experts on the critical issues related to pension funds and learn how to present your case to your legislators. Connect with other fund professionals and industry providers for practical information and lasting peer relationships.

On the second day of the conference, meet-face-to-face with your elected leaders to discuss the legislative issues affecting your fund.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Pension trustees, union officials, administrators, pension staff members, and companies that provide products and services to the public pension community should attend this conference.

### PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Agenda is subject to change.

## **Sunday, January 24**

3:00 PM - 6:00 PM 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Legislative Conference Registration

Joint Conference Networking Reception\*

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## **Monday, January 25**

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM 7:00 AM - 4:30 PM

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Legislative Conference Breakfast

Legislative Conference Registration

Legislative Conference General Session I

- Outlook on National and State Elections with Howard Fineman
- Congressional Actions That Could Affect Public Pensions
- Social Security and WEP Offset
- A Conversation with Senior Staff of the Congressional Tax Committees

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Legislative Conference Lunch

Legislative Conference General Session II

- A Discussion with the U.S. Treasury Department
- An Outlook on State Pension Legislation
- The Latest on State Initiatives for Retirement Security

## **Tuesday, January 26**

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

- Congressional Breakfast
- 8:00 AM 5:00 PM
- **Congressional Appointments**

## **FEATURED SPEAKER**

#### **HOWARD FINEMAN**

Political Analyst for MSNBC. Global Editorial Director of The Huffington Post Media Group, and Best-Selling Author

Howard Fineman. one of Washington's and the nation's leading political reporters and analysts, offers an insider's view of politics in America. Having covered and interviewed



every president since George H.W. Bush, and every leader of Congress and presidential candidate since 1985. Fineman knows more than anyone about the inner workings of the Oval Office, the Hill, and national campaigns. As editorial director at *The Huffington* Post and a former columnist and deputy Washington Bureau chief of Newsweek. Fineman is also the author of the 2008 national best seller The Thirteen American Arguments.

# **NETWORK WITH YOUR PEERS**

Following is a partial list of attendees of the 2015 Healthcare Symposium and Legislative Conference.

- AARP
- Acadian Asset Management, LLC
- AFSCME
- Alameda County Employees Retirement Association
- American Century Investments
- Arkansas Local Police & Fire Retirement System
- Austin Police Retirement System
- Berman DeValerio
- Bernstein Liebhard LLP
- Blue Cross Blue Shield Association National Labor Association
- BNY Mellon
- Bolton Partners
- California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)
- California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS)
- Capital Group Companies
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
- Chimicles & Tikellis, LLP
- City of Philadelphia Board of Pensions & Retirement
- Clark County Fire Fighters Local 1908
- Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll, PLLC
- Dallas Police & Fire Pension System
- District of Columbia Retirement Board
- Dukes County Contributory Retirement System
- Educational Employees' Supplementary Retirement System of Fairfax County (ERFC)
- EnTrust Capital
- Evanston Capital Management, LLC

- Fisher Investments

- Groom Law Group, Chartered
- Hagens Berman Sobol Shapiro, LLP

- Humana, Inc.
- Ice Miller, LLP
- Institute on Public Pension Solutions
- Invesco
- J.P. Morgan
- Kessler Topaz Meltzer & Check, LLP
- Lazard Asset Management
- Levi & Korsinsky, LLP
- Lord Abbett & Co.

- Los Angeles Fire & Police Pension System
- Los Angeles Retired Fire & Police Association
- Louisiana Firefighters Retirement System
- MACRS, Inc.
- Marco Consulting Group, Inc.
- Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency Employees' Retirement Board
- Mesirow Financial
- Miami Firefighters' Relief & Pension Fund
- Midland Firemens' Relief & Retirement Fund
- National Association of Public Pension Attorneys (NAPPA)
- National Coordinating Committee for Multiemployer Plans (NCCMP)
- National Education Association (NEA)
- National Institute on Retirement Security
- National Public Pension Coalition
- New Jersev State Policemen's Benevolent
- New York City Employees Retirement System
- North Carolina Department of State Treasurer
- Northern Trust
- Nuveen Investments
- Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund
- Ohio Public Employees Retirement System
- Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement

# **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS**

**Capital Hilton Hotel** 

1001 16th Street, NW | Washington, DC 20036

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ook your hotel room at the Capital Hilton, official location of the Healthcare Symposium and Legislative Conference. The discounted room rate is subject to availability of group block. Rate may also be available 3 days before and after actual conference dates (January 24-26) but is based on hotel's availability.

**ROOM RATE:** \$259 single/double occupancy per night

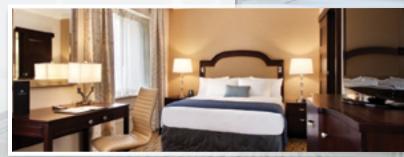
**BOOKING DEADLINE:** Monday, January 4

**PHONE RESERVATIONS:** 1-800-HILTONS (or 1-800-445-8667) and mention NCPERS Healthcare Symposium or

**Legislative Conference** 

**ONLINE RESERVATIONS:** www.NCPERS.org and click on the hotel link





# **GENERAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

#### NCPERS MEMBERSHIP

NCPERS Healthcare Symposium and Legislative Conference is a members-only conference. Your organization must be a current member of NCPERS in order for your registration to be processed.

To verify your organization's membership status, please e-mail your inquiry to membership@NCPERS.org.

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Professionals from the public pension industry, including trustees, executive directors, administrators, pension staff members, union officials, attorneys, accountants, actuaries, investment managers, benefit design consultants, state and local officials, financial consultants, and regulators from across the United States and Canada.

#### **GUEST REGISTRATION**

A guest refers to a spouse or personal friend, not a business associate, staff member, or colleague. All guests must be registered to attend NCPERS events. No admittance will be given to guests without a registration name badge.

The guest fee includes access to breakfast (\$30), lunch (\$40) and the reception (\$60).

#### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Register by Monday, January 4, to receive the early-bird conference rates. You may still register for the conferences after this date, but higher conference fees will apply.

#### **REGISTRATION CHANGES**

All registration changes must be received in writing. Please e-mail all registration changes to registration@NCPERS.org or fax to 202-624-1439.

#### **REGISTRATION METHODS**



Submit your registration online at www.NCPERS. org. You will need your individual username and password to register.



Fax your registration form to 202-624-1439.



Mail your registration form to:

**NCPERS** 444 North Capitol Street, NW Suite 630 Washington, DC 20001

# **2016 REGISTRATION FORM**

Please complete the registration form, indicating the conference you plan to attend. If you plan to attend both conferences, please be sure to mark both check boxes.

HEALTHCARE SYMPOSIUM	Early-Bird Registration Rate (Through January 4)	Late Registration Rate (After January 4)
FUND Member	<b>□</b> \$300	<b>□</b> \$400
CORPORATE Member	<b>□</b> \$550	<b>□</b> \$675
GUEST	<b>□</b> \$50	<b>□</b> \$100

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE	Early-Bird Registration Rate (Through January 4)	Late Registr (After Janua		
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CORPORATE Member	<b>□</b> \$550		\$675	
GUEST	<b>□</b> \$50		\$100	
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