

SPECIAL JOURNAL ISSUE ON RETIREMENT

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Objective:

We are seeking paper submissions on retirement issues as outlined below. Submissions will be narrowed to two papers to be included in a special journal issue of the Financial Services Review (FSR). Visit the FSR website at http://www.drsm.org/FSR_journal/Financial_Services_Review_home.htm. The papers will be reviewed through the normal FSR process. **A \$500 cash reward will be given to the top two papers.**

Paper Topics:

- Target Date Funds – How appropriate are Target Date Funds during the income distribution phase of retirement? How well do Target Date Funds help employees in the public sector achieve retirement readiness in conjunction with their defined benefit plan?
- Retirement Planning in the Public Sector – How should retirement planning and income management differ for public sector employees versus private sector employees?
- Participation by Lower Income Employees – How has the Federal Savers Tax Credit assisted lower income employees save for retirement?
- Roll Out of Plan Assets – Analyze the roll out of plan assets from public sector defined contribution plans by type of employer (state, county, local).
- Hardship Withdrawals – Identify the demographics of hardship withdrawals between public and private sector defined contribution plans.
- Qualified Default Investment Alternatives (QDIA) - What relevance do QDIAs have on the public sector?
- Loans – What are the potential long-term effects of loans on retirement security?
- Investment Advice and Guidance – How well are public sector employees making informed retirement and Social Security timing decisions? How could the provision of advice in the Pension Protection Act of 2006 affect public sector employees? How well do new investment vehicles and services such as lifecycle funds, managed accounts and registered investment advisor services meet the needs of public sector employees?

Manuscript Submission & Style:

Please refer to the Financial Services Review website located at http://www.drsm.org/FSR_journal/Submissions.htm. Please disregard the information under the numbers 2 and 3 on the webpage. Manuscripts should be sent to Tracy Tucker. See below for more details.

For general inquiries, please contact Tracy Tucker, 859-514-9210, ttucker@amrms.com.

Important Dates:

Manuscript submission – March 7, 2008 by 5:00p.m. ET

Notification of acceptance – May 2008

Journal Publication – August/September 2008

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