

## **Part-Time Faculty Medical Reimbursement Pilot Program**

### Frequently Asked Questions

**Q1: Will the reimbursement of medical premiums paid be included on my regular pay check?**

A1: No. The reimbursement is a separate check issued by Accounts Payable (not Payroll) and is mailed to the home address on record.

**Q2: Can the reimbursement of medical premiums paid be direct deposited to my bank account?**

A2: No. The reimbursement cannot be direct deposited; it will be mailed as a separate check to the home address on record.

**Q3: Are contributions to a Health Savings Account (HSA) considered medical premiums?**

A3: No. An HSA is a type of savings account that can be used to pay for qualified medical expenses. Medical premiums are a billed dollar amount that policyholders pay, typically monthly, for medical insurance coverage.

**Q4: Are co-pays or co-insurance payments considered medical premiums?**

A4: No. Co-pays are a predetermined rate paid for a specific health care service at the time of care. Co-insurance is a percentage paid by a policyholder for a specific medical service, with the rest paid by a health insurance plan. Medical premiums are a billed dollar amount that policyholders pay, typically monthly, for medical insurance coverage regardless if health care services are utilized or not.

**Q5: Are deductibles considered medical premiums?**

A5: No. A deductible is a total dollar amount that a person pays for health care services rendered, out of their own pocket, before health insurance starts to cover a larger portion of a service bill. Medical premiums are a billed dollar amount that policyholders pay, typically monthly, in order to have medical insurance coverage regardless if health care services are utilized or not.

**Q6: How will I know if my submitted documents were received?**

A6: You will receive a confirmation email once the Formstack form is submitted.

**Q7: How will I know if my submitted documents were approved or not?**

A7: You will receive an approval email (from Formstack) once the Benefits Advisor completes the review process. If a request is denied, you will receive an email (from Formstack) that explains why the submission was denied. You may resubmit with the appropriate corrections if done before the established deadline.

**Q8: When will I know if my request has been approved or denied?**

A8: If you do not receive a response within 10 business days from the date of your online submission, please reach out to [HR@elcamino.edu](mailto:HR@elcamino.edu) for a status update.

**Q9: What documentation do I need to submit to verify my 40% load across multiple districts?**

A9: The PTF Medical Premium Reimbursement Request Form will include a field where you can upload a single PDF containing documentation of your load across multiple districts. Documentation may include a semester

workload report, a semester teaching contract, a verification letter issued by the district you are working for, etc.

**Q10: If I do not participate in the PTF Medical Reimbursement Pilot Program and submit a Formstack for the \$75 healthcare stipend, will I still receive a check for a portion of the unspent funds?**

**A10: Yes.**

**Q11: If I have an 8-week assignment at El Camino that meets the 40% load requirement or 8-week assignments across multiple districts that meet the 40% load requirement in the Fall or Spring semester, am I eligible to participate in the PTF Medical Insurance Reimbursement Pilot Program?**

**A11: Yes.**

**Q12: If I do not participate in the PTF Medical Reimbursement Pilot Program and there are unspent funds at the end of the academic year, do I need to inform anyone?**

**A12: No. Beginning Fall 2024, unspent funds at the end of each academic year shall be equally distributed among part-time faculty who had an assignment in the applicable year during the term of this Agreement and did not receive a reimbursement from the Pilot Program. Fiscal Services will confirm who is eligible to receive a disbursement check based on payroll records and pilot program reimbursements issued for the applicable year.**