Checklist of Pre-Retirement Action Items
Optional Retirement Program

☐ Attend an ORP Pre-Retirement Seminar

☐ Call Optional Retirement Program Vendor (TIAA-CREF or Fidelity)
  - Lifetime Annuity/Distribution is required to continue Health Benefits for self
  - Dual Lifetime Annuity/Distribution is required for Health Benefits to continue to spouse after death of retiree
  - Annuity must be drawn from ORP account for Health Benefit eligibility
  - TIAA-CREF or Fidelity must complete ‘ORP Vendor Verification’ form in ORP Health Benefit Packet (form #5)
  - Full Payouts of ORP account (without set-up of proper annuity/distribution) will not meet eligibility requirements for health benefits

☐ Contact Social Security Administration/Medicare, if age 65 and over
  - Discuss Medicare Part A & B: cost, effective dates, enrollment requirements
  - Must enroll in Medicare Part B directly when retirement starts if over 65
  - Spouses receiving health coverage must enroll in Medicare Part B if over 65
  - Employer may be required to complete a Medicare Verification Form for Part B

☐ Complete ORP Packet for Health Benefits
  - Make sure to include ‘ORP Vendor Verification’ form (Form #5)
  - Employee Benefits will do Employer Verification form

☐ Complete Health Benefit Enrollment Form
  - Submit Health Benefit forms 60 days prior to retirement date
  - Include required documentation for adding spouse and dependents, if applicable
  - If enrolled in Medicare Part B, include a copy of Medicare Card
  - View rates and discuss subsidy with Benefits Counselor

☐ Speak with department about Affiliate Appointment
  - Necessary for Retiree ID card for use of Campus Privileges

☐ Discuss Final Leave
  - Final Annual & Holiday Leave Payout (if applicable), may be rolled-into an SRA

☐ Submit Resignation Letter to department at least 30-days prior to retirement

☐ If Faculty, “Memo of Consultation” to be sent to Department Head

Questions?
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