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2016 Annual Conference & Exhibition

San Diego, CA
May 14–19

FUND MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM

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PRE-CONFERENCE PROGRAM

TRUSTEE EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR (TEDS)

ABOUT

The Trustee Educational Seminar (TEDS) is intended for new and novice trustees who are seeking a better understanding of their roles and responsibilities as trustees of their pension funds. It also serves as a refresher for experienced trustees interested in staying up-to-date.

This two-day program provides an introduction to fiduciary responsibilities, creating a solid foundation of knowledge for those who have limited experience in pension plan trusteeship. Program content is designed to address the critical elements of trust fund management, including important topics such as investing, legal requirements, and trustee ethics.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- **New trustees** – get started with a solid foundation of knowledge so you'll be prepared to fulfill your obligations to your retirees.
- **Experienced trustees** – get updated on the most recent trends and developments in the public pension fund industry to ensure your continued success.
- **Administrators and pension staff** – be better prepared to do your job as a key implementer of policies and critical fund initiatives.

Attendance at TEDS provides trustees with eight (8) hours of continuing education (CE) credit.

Cost: $400 (early-bird rate through April 22)
$600 (after April 22 or on-site)

SATURDAY, MAY 14

7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast

7:00 am – 1:00 pm Registration

8:00 am – 1:00 pm GENERAL SESSION I

- The Pension Promise: History, Evolution & Mechanics of a Pension
- Investments 101
- Emerging Managers

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm President's Reception

SUNDAY, MAY 15

7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast

7:00 am – 1:00 pm Registration

8:00 am – 1:00 pm GENERAL SESSION II

- Corporate Governance
- Best Practices Panel
- Due Diligence
- Pension Reforms: How To Do It Right

1:00 pm Presentation of Certificates

For updates or to register online visit www.NCPERS.org. Fax registration forms to 202-624-1439.
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PRE-CONFERENCE PROGRAM

NEW

NCPERS ACCREDITED FIDUCIARY (NAF) PROGRAM

STRONG BOARDS, SOLID GOVERNANCE, STABLE RETURNS

An accredited program specifically tailored for public pension trustees – providing information, best practices, and strategies for governing public funds in an ever-changing environment. This program will include material from leading experts, dynamic classroom participation, and interactive simulations.

Module 1	Governance and the Board's Role
Module 2	Investment, Finance, and Accounting
Module 3	Legal, Risk Management, and Communication
Module 4	Human Capital

WHO SHOULD TAKE THIS?

Elected or appointed public pension trustees interested in the next level of professional development.

WHAT WILL YOU RECEIVE?

- Participants will earn six (6) hours of continuing education (CE) credit for each two (2) modules completed.
- Participants who complete all four (4) modules will have an opportunity to complete an exam and if successful, receive a certificate and plaque showcasing their newly earned ***NCPERS Accredited Fiduciary (NAF)*** designation.

MODULES 1 AND 2

Date: May 14 – 15 | Time: 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Cost: $550 (early-bird rate through April 22)
$750 (after April 22 or on-site)

** Lunch included. Limited to 50 attendees.*

MAY 14

Module 1 – Governance and the Board's Role

Learning Objectives

- Understanding the roles, responsibilities, and accountabilities of your public pension board as well as the differing governance models and principles that exist
- How to become a "high-functioning board"

Answers the Questions

- How active should your board be?
- How does your board culture impact your effectiveness to govern?
- What is your board's role in setting strategy and direction?
- How do you attract and retain top talent to your board?

MAY 15

Module 2 – Investment, Finance, and Accounting

Learning Objectives

- Understanding what you as a director need to know and how you access the required information to make informed financial decisions
- Proper administration of your fund's investments, ensuring compliance with investment policies, performance management, and adequate reporting

Answers the Questions

- What is the role of external advisors and how do you leverage them?
- What is the board's role in ensuring compliance with financial/investment policies?
- What are the roles and responsibilities of the audit/investment committee?

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

NCPERS' focus on trustee education makes the NCPERS Annual Conference the premier public pension education conference in the United States — and the best place to connect with pension trustees, administrators, staff members, union officials, and investment professionals. The Annual Conference provides an unparalleled opportunity to keep up-to-date on pension trends, best practices, and the latest news and information pertinent to your fiduciary obligations. Hear from noted expert speakers in the pension industry — and network with colleagues from across the United States and Canada.

Earn up to 16.5 hours of CE attending the Annual Conference.

COST: $800 (EARLY-BIRD RATE THROUGH APRIL 22)
$1,000 (AFTER APRIL 22 OR ON-SITE)

SUNDAY, MAY 15

2:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Registration
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Exhibition
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	CorPERS Lounge
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Welcome Reception

MONDAY, MAY 16

6:30 am – 7:45 am	Breakfast
6:30 am – 2:00 pm	Registration
8:00 am – 10:30 am	First General Session
8:00 am – 1:30 pm	Exhibition
8:00 am – 1:30 pm	CorPERS Lounge
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Exhibit Break
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Four (4) Concurrent Breakout Sessions
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Four (4) Concurrent Breakout Sessions
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Lunch & Lecture Series *(not open to guests)*
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	National Committee Election

TUESDAY, MAY 17

6:30 am – 7:45 am	Breakfast
7:00 am – 2:00 pm	Registration
8:00 am – 10:30 am	Second General Session
8:00 am – 1:30 pm	Exhibition
8:00 am – 1:30 pm	CorPERS Lounge
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Exhibit Break

TUESDAY, MAY 17 (cont.)

11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Four (4) Concurrent Breakout Sessions
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Four (4) Concurrent Breakout Sessions
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Administrator's Open Forum
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Lunch & Lecture Series *(not open to guests)*
2:45 pm – 3:30 pm	National Committee Executive Board Elections

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

6:30 am – 7:45 am	Breakfast
7:30 am – 12:00 pm	Registration
8:00 am – 10:30 am	Third General Session
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Refreshment Break
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Three (3) Concurrent Breakout Sessions
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Three (3) Concurrent Breakout Sessions
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Lunch & Lecture Series *(not open to guests)*
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Closing Reception
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Closing Dinner & Entertainment

THURSDAY, MAY 19

9:00 am – 10:00 am	Annual Business Meeting

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CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

EDUCATION

The NCPERS Annual Conference provides a multitude of educational offerings for its members at all levels of experience. These opportunities will help you develop the knowledge, skills, and ideas you need to better serve your fund or union, move forward in your professional development, and engage effectively with colleagues across the country and Canada.

NCPERS is recognized as a learning provider and is an accredited sponsor of continuing education in several states. By attending the Annual Conference, trustees can earn up to 16.5 hours of continuing education.

Educational sessions will include these:

- Economic Update
- Corporate Governance
- Shareholder Activism
- Trustee Ethics
- Pension Law Update
- Emerging Markets
- Pension Actuarial Science
- State Pension Battle Update
- Reform & Regulations
- Portfolio Risk and Performance
- Investment Strategies
- Healthcare Reform
- GASB Update
- Social Media

FEATURED SESSION

GASB Update: What NCPERS Members Need to Know
David A. Vaudt, Chairman, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB)

In this session, GASB Chair David A. Vaudt will present his views on Board activities designed to improve accounting and financial reporting for U.S. state and local governments, and highlight the key issues and impacts NCPERS members should know about. Specifically, Mr. Vaudt will discuss issues relating to these topics:

- The other postemployment benefits (OPEB) standards finalized in 2015
- Pensions
- Fair value

The GASB chair will also address member questions on these and other issues.

SOCIAL MEDIA TRACK

Have a Facebook account? Twitter? Whether you're already fully immersed in the waters of social media or are still standing on the shore wondering what to make of it all, learning how to interact on various social media platforms and getting the most of your online investments is crucial to survive and thrive in this age of digital communication. This year NCPERS has enlisted James Spellos of Meetings U to help you demystify the use of social media and give you the fundamental information you need to be part of the social revolution.

Sessions include the following:

- Social Media 101
- Social Media 201
- It's App-tastic

ADMINISTRATOR'S OPEN FORUM

Tuesday, May 17, 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm
Hosted by David Clark, Arkansas Local Police & Fire Retirement System

Recognizing the need for small-plan administrators to meet and discuss issues with peers who have similar challenges, NCPERS will host an educational session devoted to the needs of municipal and county public plan administrators and staff. This session will be moderated by a city pension administrator and will allow attendees to ask questions, discuss issues related to their funds, and learn how others are addressing mutual concerns.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hilton San Diego Bayfront
1 Park Boulevard | San Diego, CA 92101
Phone: 619-564-3333

RESERVATION DEADLINE APRIL 22

Book your hotel room at the Hilton and receive the discounted conference rate. **The group rate is available until Friday, April 22,** or until the group block is sold out, whichever comes first. After April 22, rates will be based on the hotel's prevailing room rates.

NCPERS GROUP RATE
$265 single/double occupancy

CALL 1-800-HILTONS OR 1-800-445-8667
BOOK ONLINE WWW.NCPERS.ORG

GENERAL INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

NCPERS Annual Conference & Exhibition 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 ATTENDS?

Professionals from all venues of the pension industry, including trustees, administrators and staff, state and local officials, investment and financial consultants, individuals who provide products and services to pension plans, union officers, and regulators from across the United States and Canada.

CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) CREDITS

NCPERS is recognized as a learning provider in the public pension industry and is an accredited sponsor of continuing education in several states.

Attending TEDS = up to 8 hours of CE
Attending NAF = up to 6 hours of CE
Attending Annual Conference = up to 16.5 hours of CE

REGISTRATION FEES

There are no per-day registration rates for TEDS or the Annual Conference. If you register on-site, the full conference rate will apply, regardless of the day you register on.

Registration fees include (unless otherwise noted) the following:

- Meeting materials, including the conference bag, lanyard, and pen
- Breakfast
- Refreshment breaks
- Receptions
- Lunch & Lecture Series (*Not applicable to guests*)
- Closing dinner and show

Registration fees do not include hotel accommodations, airfare, or transportation to and from the hotel.

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 (valued at $30 per day), receptions (valued at $60 per event), exhibit hall refreshment breaks (valued at $20 per event), and closing dinner with show (valued at $100 per person). **Guests cannot attend the Lunch & Lecture Series as this is an educational event for trustees**.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Register by Friday, April 22, to receive the early-bird conference rates and be included on the preliminary attendee list. You may still register for the conference after this date, but higher registration 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 login.

Fax the registration form with credit card number to 202-624-1439.

Mail the registration form with check or credit card number to:

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

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ATTENDEE REGISTRATION	Early-Bird Registration Fees (through April 22)	Registration Fees (after April 22 or on-site)
❑ Trustee Educational Seminar (TEDS)*	$400/person	$600/person
❑ NCPERS Accredited Fiduciary (NAF) Program*	$550/person	$750/person
❑ Annual Conference & Exhibition	$800/person	$1,000/person

** The NCPERS pre-conference programs will run concurrently. Attendees should register for only one of the programs.*

(Please Print Clearly)
Organization Name: _____
First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
Title: _____
Preferred Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Daytime Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Please provide your e-mail address for conference updates and registration confirmation.

GUEST REGISTRATION	Early-Bird Registration Fees (through April 22)	Registration Fees (after April 22 or on-site)
❑ TEDS/Accreditation Guest Registration	$50/person	$75/person
❑ Annual Conference Guest Registration	$150/person	$200/person
❑ Children 12 and Under	$25/person	$50/person

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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

REGISTRATION/ORDER SUMMARY

TEDS Registration $ _____
NCPERS Accredited Fiduciary (NAF) Program $ _____
Annual Conference Registration $ _____
Guest Registration $ _____

GRAND TOTAL (U.S. funds) $ _____

CANCELLATION POLICY

All registration cancellations must be received in writing before April 22 to receive a refund and will be subject to a processing fee: $50 for TEDS/Accreditation Program, $100 for Annual Conference, and $50 for guest registrations. **No refunds will be given for cancellations after April 22 or for no-shows.** Please e-mail your cancellation request to registration@ncpers.org or fax it to 202-624-1439.

PAYMENT METHODS (All payments must be in U.S. funds)

Check

Send registration form(s) and check, made payable to NCPERS, to:

444 North Capitol Street, NW
Suite 630
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Credit Card

❑ American Express ❑ Visa ❑ MasterCard

Credit Card #: _____
Expiration Date: _____ CC Verification Code: _____
Name (as it appears on the card): _____
CC Billing Address: _____
Authorized Amount to Charge: $_____

By submitting this form, I certify I have read and understand the terms of this registration. If paying by credit card, I authorize NCPERS to charge my card for the total amount indicated.

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Founded in 1941, NCPERS is the principal trade association working to promote and protect pensions by focusing on **A**dvocacy, **R**esearch, and **E**ducation for the benefit of public sector pension stakeholders… It's who we **ARE**!

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