



Plan Sponsor Website Reference Guide

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Changes to the Plan Sponsor Website implemented after the published date shown on the cover page are not reflected in this guide. This guide will be periodically updated and be available from your Client Relationship Manager.

Plan Sponsor Website - Reference Guide

This guide will take you through iA's simple to use Plan Sponsor Website where online administration of your Group Savings and Retirement Plan occurs.

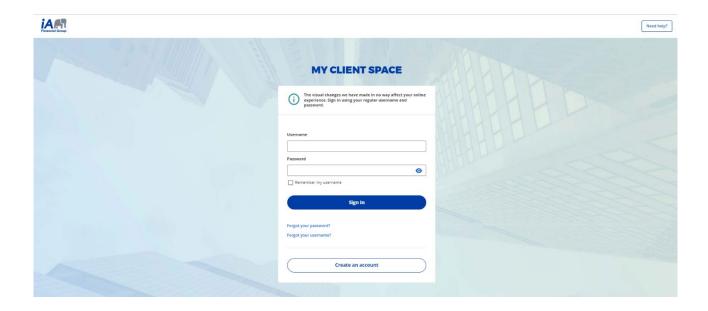
The Plan Sponsor Website is designed to do plan administration on two levels – "Plan members administration" and "Plan level administration".

Covered in this guide will be:

- Logging in
- Initial dashboard page what is shown on this page
- Administration page
- Plan member administration
- Plan administration and reporting

Logging In

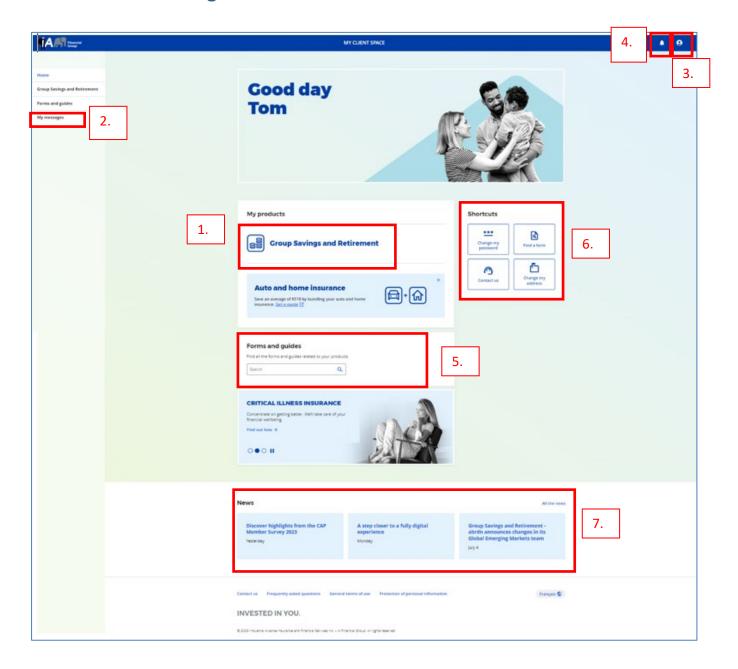
You can access your iA My Client Space at www.ia.ca/myaccount.



Once you have arrived at the login screen, enter your *Username* and *Password* provided to you by iA Financial Group. If you are activating your account for the first time and need to create it, select *Create account*.

If you have lost or forgotten your access code and password, you can call the Customer Service team at 1-800-567-5670 and press option 3. A representative will assist you. Alternatively, click on *Forgot password?* or *Forgot username?* to reset your information.

Initial Dashboard Page



After you log into your account, you will arrive on the initial Dashboard page.

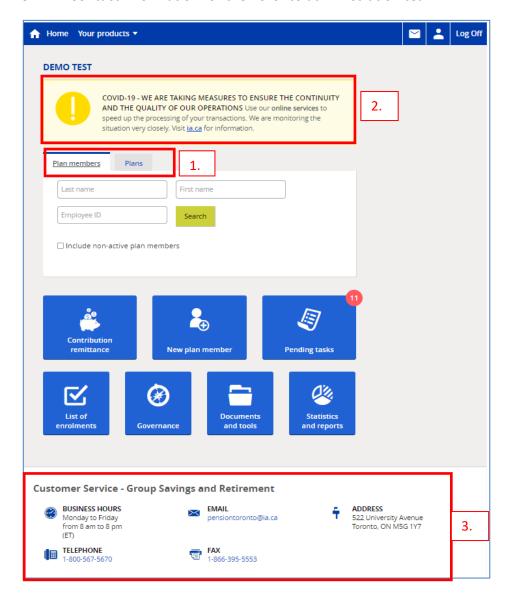
- 1. To enter the Plan Sponsor Website, click on *Group Savings and Retirement* (also available in the lefthand toolbar).
- 2. To access your secure messaging mailbox, click on *My messages* in the lefthand toolbar. This messaging mailbox is a direct internal link and lets you communicate with the administration team in a secure fashion without worries about the outside internet world.

- 3. To update your profile, click on the *Silhouette* icon. Here you can:
 - ✓ update your profile such as personal information, personalize your username, change your password, and change your secret questions,
 - ✓ can change your language preference, and
 - exit the Plan Sponsor Website using the *Log Off* button. This will securely close your session.
- 4. To see your notifications, click the *Alarm* icon. You know you have a notification if there is a red circle with a number.
- 5. To search for general publications, forms, and guides, click the search icon in *Forms and guides*, or enter information in the search criteria area.
- 6. To access the most frequently visited sections, go to the **Shortcuts** tile.
- 7. To see general news about iA go to the *News* section.

Administration Page

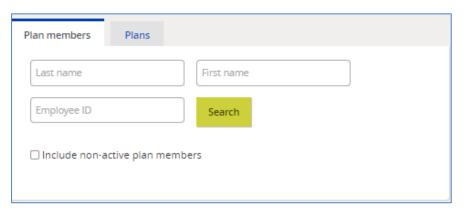
After you click on *Group Savings and Retirement* on the initial dashboard page, you arrive on the administration page. On this page, you will find:

- 1. Two administration tabs "Plan members" and "Plans".
- 2. Information banner where iA Financial Group will post important messages impacting your Group Savings and Retirement Plan or your Plan Members.
- 3. Contact information for the Toronto administration team.



Plan Members Administration

Through the *Plan Members* tab, you can do your day to day plan member administration. This includes searching member records, reporting member termination of employment or retirement, updating member information, viewing member account information, running adhoc member statements, etc.



a. Member search feature

In the *Plan members* tab you can search for your members. By clicking *Search* you will bring up an entire list of active plan members. To include non-active members (these are the members you have indicated as terminated or retired but still have an account balance), check the box *Include non-active plan members*.

There are 3 status types:

- 1. Issue member has an active account but no assets in their account
- 2. Active member is participating in the plan and has assets in their account
- 3. Non-Active terminated member who still has an account balance

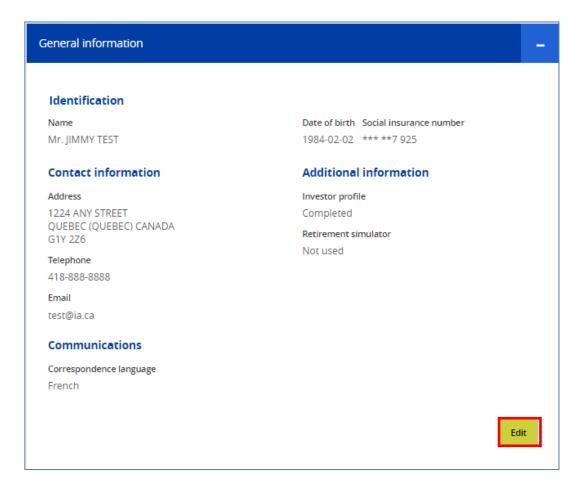
If you select an entire list of plan members, you are presented with a list of members in your plan (as shown below). You can subsequently select a plan member's account by clicking on their name – this is a hyperlink that takes you to their account.



b. Viewing / Updating Member Information

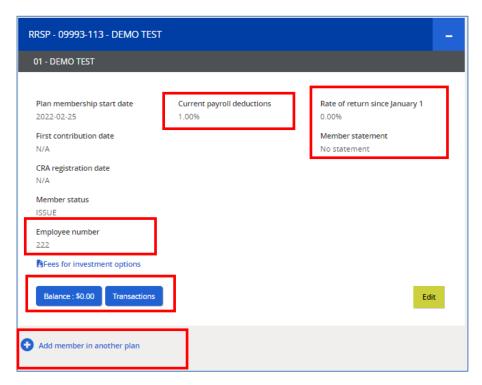
After selecting a member account, you can view and update member information.

The *General Information* section provides a summary about the member. You are able to modify the contact information only (address, telephone, email, correspondence language) by clicking *Edit*. Information that can be modified will be shown in a box. Information that is hardcoded can only be modified by contacting the Toronto administration team and providing the applicable documentation (i.e. for a name change, the member must provide a legal document).



Below the General Information section, you will see the member's participation within your group retirement program. In this section, you can modify the *current payroll deductions* (if applicable to your plan setup) and *employee number*, see account balances, display transactions, run member statements, and *add the member in another plan*. If you add the member to another plan, this sets up a "shell account" for remittance purposes. The member must still complete the enrolment process.

If your plan setup includes "classes" of employees, you will see the "class" information below the Contract information line.



c. Reporting Terminated / Retired Member

As Plan Administrator, you are responsible for reporting terminated / retired members to the Toronto administration team so the applicable package can be sent to the member. The package provides a statement, options form, and other documents for the member to complete to receive a payout of their plan benefit entitlement.

To report a terminated or retired member, click *Terminate participation* located above the general information section of the member's account.



In the *Terminate participate* section, complete the following information:

1. Contract you want to terminate

- 2. **Reason for termination of participation** choices are:
 - Work Termination, or
 - o Retirement.

Chose "Work Termination" for those member who are not eligible to retire from the plan.

Chose "Retirement" for those members who are retiring and wish to receive a retirement income from their account.

3. **Effective date** – this is the last day of work as recorded on the record of employment.



Click Save.

You will receive confirmation of the transaction.

This transaction notifies the Toronto administration team. When the final contribution (remittance) has been received for this member, the applicable package will be prepared and mailed to the member.

d. Reporting Pre-Retirement Deaths

Do not use the terminate participation feature to report pre-retirement deaths. Additional information and legal documents are required to pay out death benefits.

To report a pre-retirement death, obtain the Death Claim form from the **Documents and tools** section of your Plan Sponsor Website.

iA Financial Group	DEATH BENEFIT CLAIM GROUP SAVINGS AND RETIREMENT PLANS	GROUP SAVINGS AND RETIREMENT				
SECTION 1 – INSTRUCTIONS						
 Definition of words used in this document are provided in Section 9. 						
 Please print all information provided on this form. 						
- If you have any questions, contact Customer Service at 1-800-567-5670, Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (ET).						
Use Form F50-203A-2 if the deceased received an insured annuity.						
SECTION 2 - GROUP PLAN INFO	Division number:					
Name of plan sponsor, if applicable:						
SECTION 3 - INFORMATION ON I	SECTION 3 – INFORMATION ON THE IDENTITY OF THE DECEASED					
First name:	Last name:					
Date of birth:						
Social insurance number:						
SECTION 4 – CLAIMANT INFORMATION						
☐ Beneficiary ☐ Spouse ☐ Guardian of a minor* ☐ Proxy of the beneficiary						
Estate liquidator, executor, administrator or trustee						

The Death Claim form is a fillable PDF document.

As Plan Administrator, complete Section 2 – Group Plan Information and Section 3 – Information on the Identity of the Deceased. Provide this form to the claimant (spouse / beneficiary) to complete and submit to iA Financial Group along with the applicable legal documents.

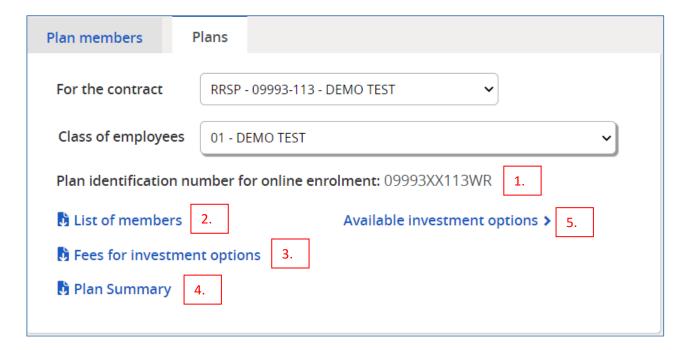
The Toronto administration team will deal direct with the claimant and will pay the applicable death benefit after the final contribution (remittance) has been received for the deceased member's account.

Plan Administration

Through the Plans tab, you can do your day to day plan level administration.



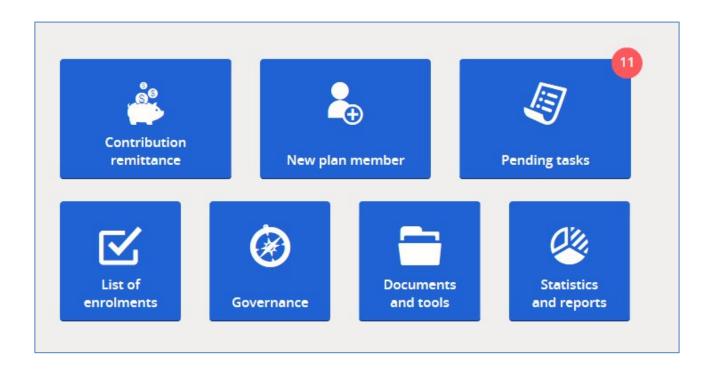
If you have more than one contract, you will need to select a contract to obtain the plan specific information. If your plan setup includes "classes" of employees, you will see the "class" information below the section "For the contract". The example below includes classes.



- 1. The *Plan identification number* is used for the online enrolment process.
- 2. You can download a *List of members* this will generate an excel listing and will include active, non-active, and issue members. You can subsequently save this file to your computer.

- The Fees for investment options will generate a PDF document listing the investment fund fees, fees for additional services, information about frequent trading fees, and other important notes.
- 4. The *Plan Summary* generates a PDF document summarizing the details of the plan provisions. This document is included in member enrolment kits and is available during the online enrolment process.
- 5. The **Available investment options** takes you to a pop-up box containing information about the investments options available "Pre-built Solution" and "Build you own Solution". Each fund listed shows historical rates of return and the applicable fee. Each fund name is a hyperlink that produces a Fund Fact page. At the bottom of this section, you can run the brochure **Your range of investment options**.

Your central hub of the dashboard will include blue buttons where you remit contributions on line, add new plan members, deal with pending tasks, run a list of enrolments, monitor plan governance, obtain documents (forms) for plan administration, and run statistics and reports.



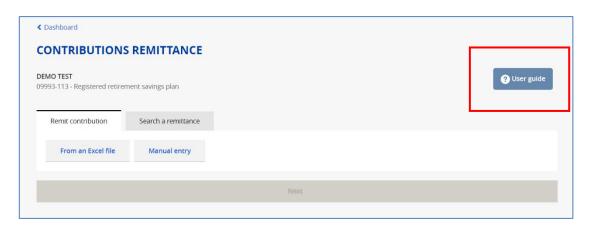
a. Contribution remittance

As Plan Administrator, you are responsible for remitting on a regular basis the contributions to the plan. Remittances can be made monthly, bi-weekly, weekly, etc. The frequency depends on the plan type and any provincial legislation requirements.

The *Contribution remittance* button takes you to iA's simple, online contribution process where you electronically upload and send information directly to us.



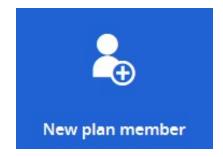
A separate guide has been developed to assist you with contribution remittances. It is called "User Guide - Contribution Remittance Tool – in My Client Space". This can be obtained through your Client Relations Manager or downloaded from your sponsor site by clicking on the *Contribution remittance* button, selecting *For the contract*, clicking *continue*, and clicking on the link to User Guide.



b. New plan member

You can add a new plan member to your plan for remittance purposes.

The *New plan member* button lets you add a member and open a "shell account". <u>The member must still complete the enrolment process.</u>



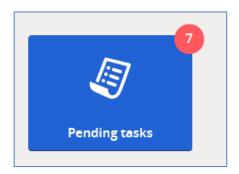
c. Pending tasks

There are four types of pending tasks (i) missing information, (ii) information to be confirmed, (iii) missing information, and (iv) payroll deduction changes.

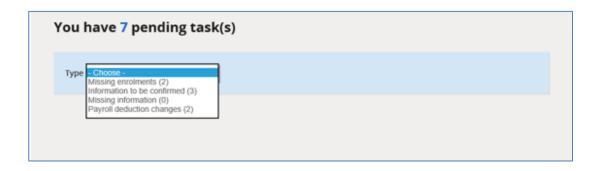
Some pending tasks are generated by the online enrolment process or the requirement for members to complete the enrolment process. The online enrolment process for Registered Pension Plans (RPP) and Deferred Profit-Sharing Plans (DPSP) contain additional fields specific to those plans. The fields are (i) hire date, (ii) plan membership start date, and (iii) province of employment. As the plan administrator, you are responsible for validating information provided by your employees or completing it if no data was entered during the enrolment process.

You do not receive notification for missing information. Therefore, you need to review your plan sponsor website on a regular basis to resolve these issues.

Depending on your plan setup, it may permit members to adjust their contribution levels. You are responsible for ensuring the applicable request is reflected in your payroll system. You will be notified by iA when a member has adjusted their contribution level. This notification occurs the Monday following when the change has occurred.



Click on the *Pending tasks* button to take you to the list. When done, these tasks will drop away from your list of pending tasks to do.



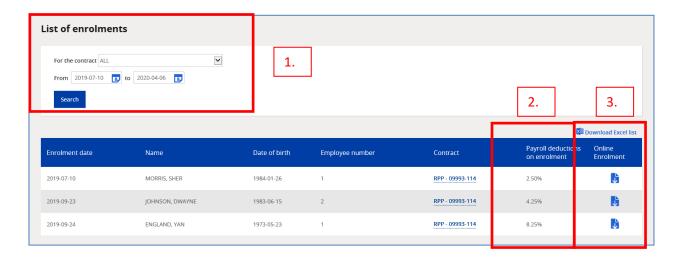
d. List of enrolments

As employees enrol in the plan, you are notified of the enrolment. This occurs on the same day as the member completed the enrolment process. You will receive an email from iA indicating a member has enrolled in the plan and to consult the list of enrolments report.

The list of enrolments report is found by clicking on *List of enrolments* button.



- 1. You can get a list of ALL enrolments for your plans or select a specific contract. You can also search by dates.
- 2. Depending on the plan provisions, you may or may not see information for payroll deductions.
- 3. You can download an excel list of the enrolments and you can download a copy of the online enrolment information.



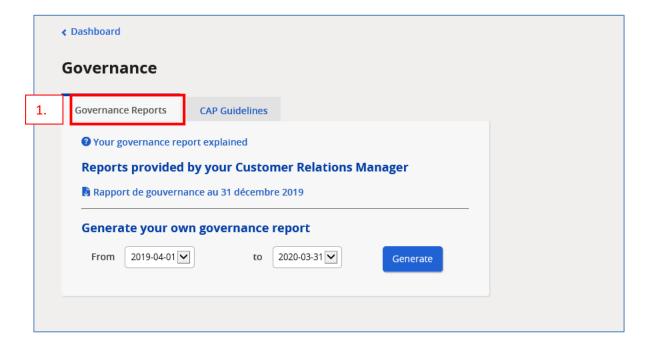
e. Governance

As Plan Administrator, you are responsible for ensuring you are meeting the requirements of the Capital Accumulation Plans (CAP) guidelines.

CAP guidelines are just that — "guideance" on best practices for ensuring your plan is running smoothly, is meeting regulatory compliance requirements, and meets the requirements to provide information to plan members.

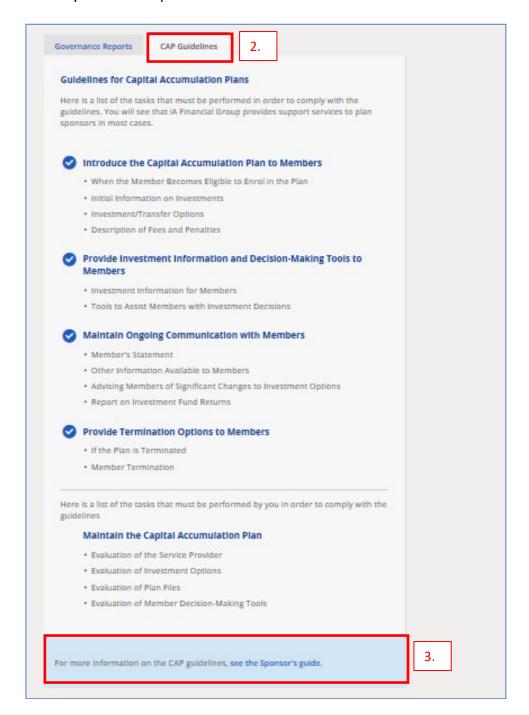
The **Governance** button takes you to the section dealing with the **Health and guidelines** section of your plan and provides information on the CAP guidelines.





1. In the *Governance Reports* section, you will find governance reports and other related information to help you evaluate your plan's performance and make educated decisions to ensure your plan is one of your best employee loyalty tools. You will see posted reports prepared by your Client Relationship Manager and you can run your own reports.

- 2. In the *CAP Guidelines* section, we provide you with the list of tasks that should be performed to comply with the guidelines. The CAP Guidelines were adopted by the Canadian Association of Pension Supervisory Authorities as a voluntary measure to promote good practices for retirement plans.
- 3. There is a link to the **Sponsor's Guide**, a tool designed by iA Financial Group to assist you with this process.

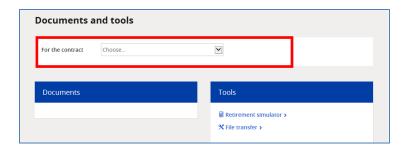


f. Documents and tools

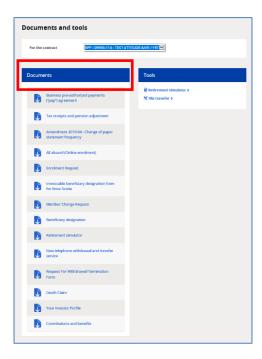
All the forms applicable for administration of your plan can be found in the **Documents and tools** section.



If you have more than one contract, you need to choose the contract and possibly the "class of employee" for the forms to appear as they are customized by contract, division and class.



Each form is a PDF **Document** that you can download, print or save to your computer. A description of each **Document** and its use can be found on the next page.



Documents:

Business pre-authorized payments ("PAP") agreement

 If you want to pay your remittances by PAP agreement, use this form. You can scan and email it to the Toronto administration team along with a Void cheque.

• Tax receipts and pension adjustments

- Information document providing details on:
 - Tax receipts for Group RRSP plans,
 - Pension adjustment reporting for certain types of plans (RPP and DPSP), and
 - Contribution limits set by CRA

• All aboard (online enrolment)

- Document providing details for plan members on how to complete the online enrolment process
- Included in member enrolment kits

• Enrolment request

- Paper enrolment form
- o To be used only when online enrolment is not an option
- If your plan permits spousal accounts (applicable only for Group RRSP plans), the spouse must complete this form in paper, along with a beneficiary designation (online enrolment is not available for spousal accounts)

• Irrevocable beneficiary designation form for Nova Scotia

 Applicable only to Nova Scotia plans where the member is designating an irrevocable beneficiary

• Member change request

- Paper form used by members to make changes to their personal information or investment choices
- Encourage your members to do these changes online through their secure member website

Beneficiary designation

- Paper beneficiary designation form
- Encourage your members to do these changes online through their secure member website
- Can be used to designate secondary / contingent beneficiary as this cannot be done online

Retirement simulator

 Paper copy of the retirement simulator tool found on the secure member website – a tool to assist members with setting a goal for retirement

• New telephone withdrawal and transfer form

- Information document providing details on how to do withdrawals through our customer service team
- o Provides a form to sign up for direct deposits into a bank account

Request for withdrawal/termination form

- Paper copy form for reporting terminations and retirements
- We encourage you to do this online through your plan sponsor website to avoid delays and missed information

• Death claim form

o To be used for all pre-retirement death claims

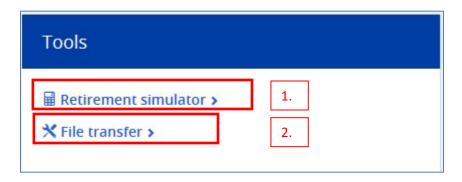
Your investor profile

- Paper copy of the investor profile questionnaire a tool to assist members in determining the level of risk they are willing to take when it comes to making investment decisions
- o Encourage your members to use this tool found on the secure member website

Contriutions and benefits

- o Information document providing details on:
 - Contribution limits
 - CPP
 - OAS
 - EI
 - Terminology
 - Links to government websites

The **Tools** section contains two tools that you as an administrator may use.

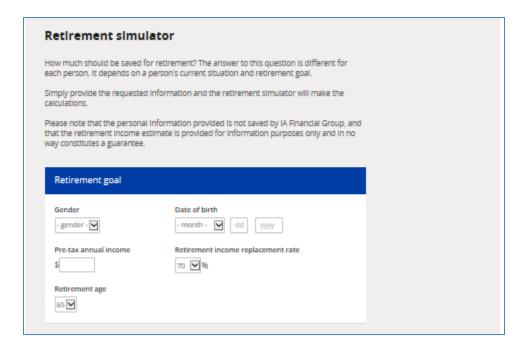


1. Retirement simulator

The Retirement simulator is a retirement planning tool used by plan members to set a goal for retirement and montior their progress. This is available on the secure member website, and therefore most plan members will access this important retirement planning tool on their own.

As Plan Administrator you should encourage your members to complete a simulation so they are better informed of their financial situation as it relates to their future retirement income.

For those members who do not have access to a computer, you can assist them by using the tool on your website and printing the results. The results can then be sent to the Toronto admin team for input so their retirement goal is reflected on their member statement.



2. File Transfer

File transfer allows you to securely send confidential files directly to the Toronto administration team without worries of the outside Internet world. Files accepted can be your contribution remittance file or other excel files, PDFs, etc.

For contribution remittances, the preference is for you to upload your file through the Contribution remittance tool.



g. Statistics and reports

The statistics and reports for your plan can be found in the *Statistics and reports* section.



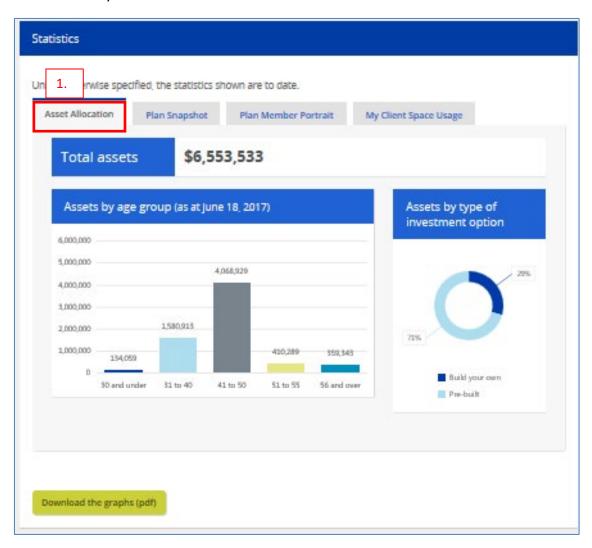
If you have more than one contract, you can choose a specific contract or all contracts, and possibly the "Class of employee" for the applicable information to appear as it is customized by contract, division and class. You can also choose a date range; the default period is 1 year.



The **Statistics section** visually shows you information for your plan in 4 tabs — Asset Allocation, Plan Snapshot, Plan Member Portrait, and My Client Space Usage. Plus you can **download the graphs** in a PDF format for saving or printing.

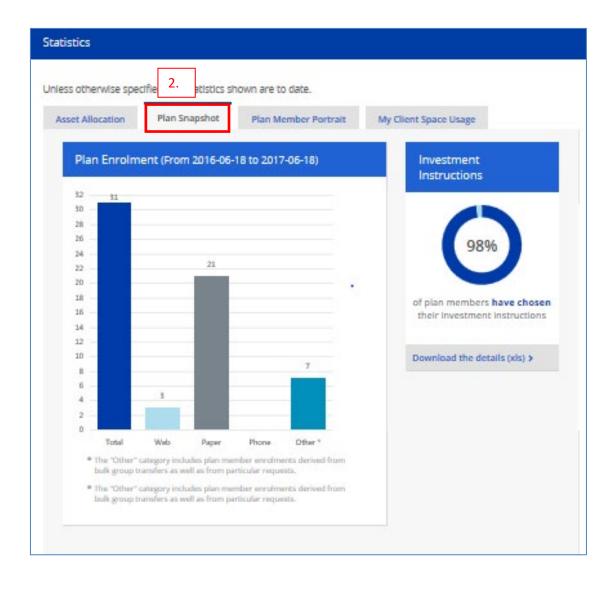
1. Asset allocation

- Provides total assets at a current date (date shown in the bar graph)
- Shows assets by age group
- Shows assets by type of investment option pre-built solution versus build your own solution



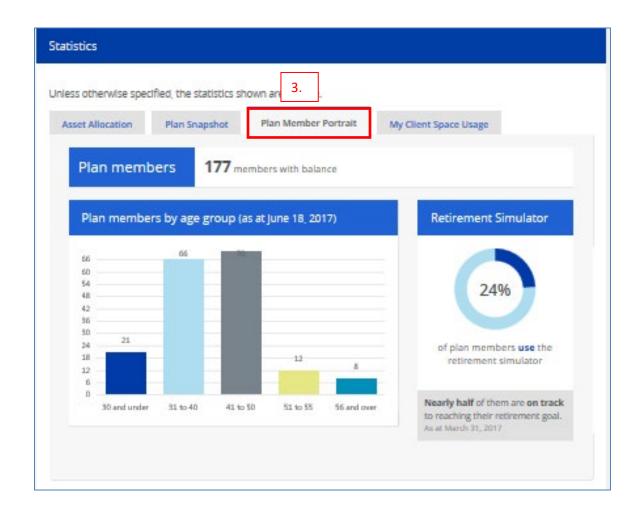
2. Plan Snapshot

- Provides a summary of plan enrolments for the past year, broken down by method – web (for online enrolment), paper, phone, other
- Shows how many members have chosen their investment instructions
- You can download an excel file which provides information on members who have chosen their investment option versus those that are in a default fund



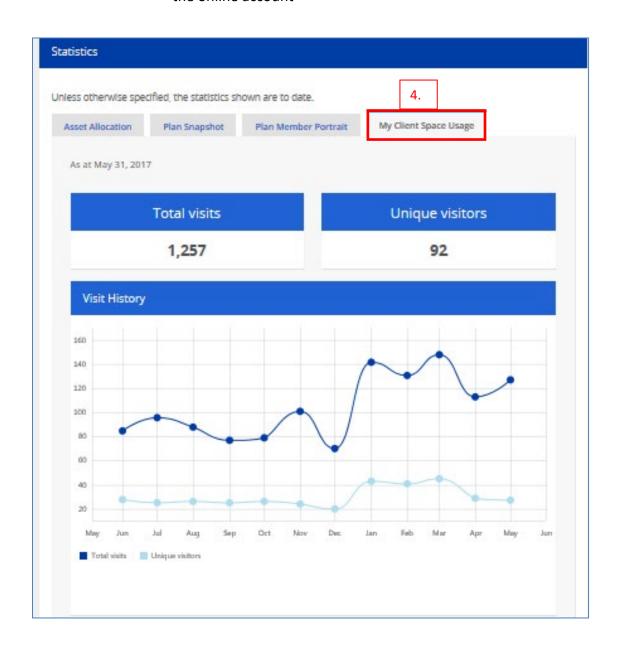
3. Plan Member Portrait

- Provides information on members with a balance in their account (active and inactive)
- Shows a breakdown of members by age group
- Shows how many members are using the Retirement Simulator retirement planning tool. Of those using it, it provides information on how many members are on track to reach their retirement goal

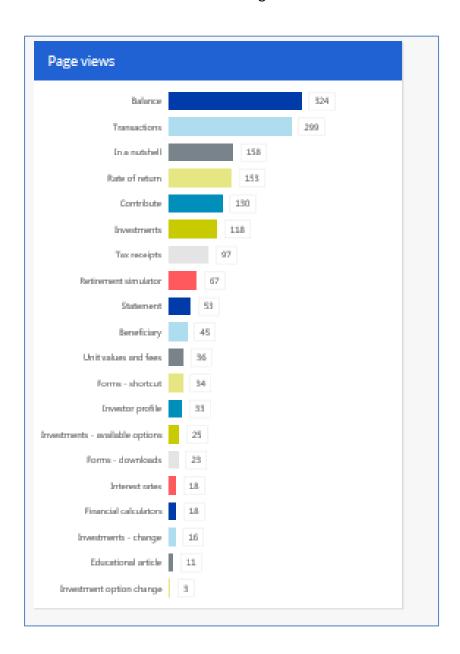


4. My Client Space Usage

- Provides information on usage of the secure member website My Client
 Space during the last year
 - Unique visitors shows how many members are accessing their online member account
 - Total visits shows how many times the unique visitors have accessed the online account



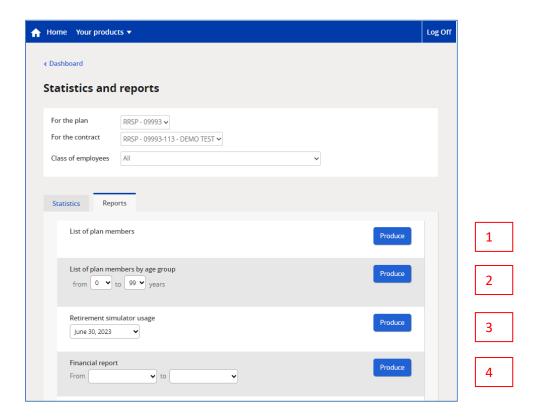
• You can also see a *Page view* – provides details on what pages / items the members are accessing when in their online member account



The *Reports* section lets you manually run various reports and download to a PDF or excel file.

- Some reports are only visable when choosing the applicable *For the* p*lan*, *For the* contract, and the *Class of employees*.
- Some are only available based on your plan setup.

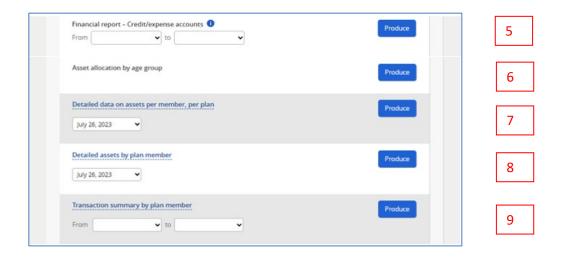
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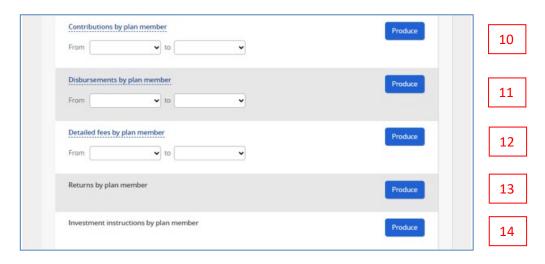
- 1. **List of plan members** provides an excel file of all your plan members and their demographic information.
- 2. **List of plan members by age group** provides a PDF report of all your plan members broken down by 10-year age categories. You can select a specific range of ages by entering information in the **from** and **to** fields.
- 3. **Retirement simulator usage** provides a PDF report showing:
 - how many members are using this retirement projection tool,
 - of those using it, how many are on track to reaching their retirement goal, how many are in a problematic situation, how many are in a critical situation,
 - what is the target retirement age, and
 - what is the target income replacement rate.

Choose your date (quarterly). From this information, you can determine the need for financial education sessions, or if a change to the plan provisions is required. For confidentiality reasons, we do not disclose member personal information but present the results anonymously.

4. **Financial Reports** are no longer mailed to you. To run a PDF report, select your dates in the **from** and **to** fields (dates cannot exceed 12 months). We maintain a 3 year history for you to choose from.



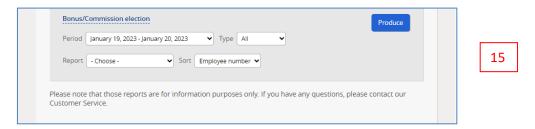
- Financial report Credit/expense accounts provides a PDF report similar to the financial reprot but this one focuses on employer credits generated from terminated members who are not vested. Vesting is only applicable to Deferred Profit Sharing Plans (DPSPs) and Defined Contribution Registered Pension Plans (DC RPPs).
- 6. **Asset allocation by age group** provides a PDF report of assets utilized by members broken down into 10-year age increments.
- 7. **Detail data on assets per member, per plan**¹ provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing their investor profile, total assets, total assets by contribution type, and assets per investment option(s) chosen. It includes the member's current age and age ranges so you can filter and drill into the information you need. Choose your date (monthly). We maintain a 3 year history for you to choose from.
- 8. **Detailed assets by plan member**¹ provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing investment categoy, investment option(s), and total assets per contribution type. Choose your date (monthly). We maintain a 3 year history for you to choose from.
- 9. **Transaction summary by plan member**¹ provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing, for the date range seleteced, opening total market value, new deposits, investment returns, withdrawals, fees, taxes, and closing total market value. Select your dates in the **from** and **to** fields (dates cannot exceed 12 months). We maintain a 3 year history for you to choose from.



- 10. **Contributions by plan member**¹ provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing, for the date range seleteced, the deposit made, contribution from/to date, and amount of deposit by contribution type. Select your dates in the **from** and **to** fields (dates cannot exceed 12 months). We maintain a 3 year history for you to choose from.
- 11. **Disbursements by plan member**¹ provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing, for the date range seleteced, withdrawals made and type of withdrawal, gross amount, taxes, net amount, fees, contribution type, and locking-in status. Select your dates in the **from** and **to** fields (dates cannot exceed 12 months). We maintain a 3 year history for you to choose from.
- 12. **Detailed fees by plan member**¹ provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing, for the date range seleteced, the fees applicable to the member account (federal tax, HST, management fees, sales tax QC, and settlement fees. Select your dates in the **from** and **to** fields (dates cannot exceed 3 months). We maintain a 3 year history for you to choose from.
- 13. **Returns by plan member** provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing, by contributor type, the rate of return for the member account as of (i) last calcualtion period, and (ii) the last 7 years.
- 14. **Investment instructions by plan member** provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing, by contributor type, who controls the investment instruction, if a default investment instruction applies, the asset category, investment option(s) chosen, and the percentage per investment option(s) chose.

Plans with only member voluntary contributions or assets such as voluntary TFSA or RRSP will not have full detailed member level reporting capabilities available due to the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PEPIDA).

This last report only appears if your plan has been setup with *The Election Tool* which enables plan members the ability to easily invest their bonuses and commissions into the group savings and retirement plan(s) they participate in. For further information about *The Election Tool* and how it works, contact your CRM.



15. **Bonus/Commission election** provides an excel file providing information on your plan membership showing who has chosen to invest their bonus or commission into their account. This report only extracts member information where the election period is closed. It does not provide information while the election period is open. The report provides information on the election effective date, the member's date of hire, amount and percentage to be deferred into their account. You can then update your payroll system based on the member's choice.

To Reach Us

All documents that need to be **mailed** to iA Financial Group in the day-to-day administration of your group retirement plan can be sent to one of the following addresses:

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If you need any additional information, you can contact our **Customer Service department** Monday to Friday, from 8 am to 8 pm, Eastern Time, at the following numbers:

Telephone: 1-800-567-5670

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My Client Space, our secure website, is also available for consultation at any time, at:

ia.ca/myaccount

For overall plan management and servicing, contact your local **Client Relations Manager**. We have offices located in Halifax, Quebec City, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver.

Our Regional Offices

If you would like more information on the administration procedures, or on our various products, please feel free to contact one of our regional offices.

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