

# **Teachers' Retirement System** of the State of Kentucky

# Public Pension Oversight Board

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### **Two Plans for TRS Health Benefits**

| KEHP<br>Kentucky<br>Employees'<br>Health Plan | <ul> <li>Under 65 and not Medicare-eligible</li> <li>Same fund as active teachers and state employees</li> <li>Coverage options</li> </ul> |
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| MEHP<br>Medicare<br>Eligible Health<br>Plan   | <ul> <li>Medicare-eligible or 65 &amp; over</li> <li>Exclusively TRS members</li> <li>One plan</li> </ul>                                  |



# **Insurance Details Can Change**

Kentucky law guarantees retired teachers access to group coverage, but the details of that coverage – including costs, subsidy and level of coverage – can change.



### **2023 Premiums**

**Board Approved Rates** 

### Kentucky Employees' Health Plan (KEHP) Up to \$767.56 per month

TRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan (MEHP) Up to \$217 per month



### MEHP

### Premiums



**Premiums Held Almost Constant For 20 Years** 

## **Prescription for Success**

### How Premiums Have Been Held Down Using 2021 Rates

- Shared Responsibility, federal subsidies, formulary rebates, drug purchasing discounts and early adoption of Medicare programs
- Must remain vigilant because none of these revenue sources are guaranteed

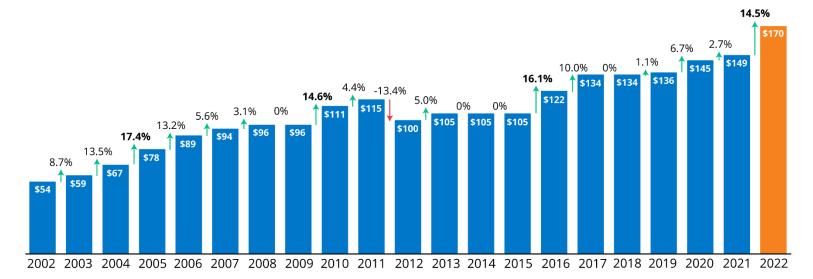
| 2021 Retiree Health Care Monthly Cost Per Member  |             |  |
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| Actual cost<br>(Includes hospitalization, doctor visits, labs, prescription drugs, administration fees) | \$ 2,046.24 |  |
| Retiree pays Medicare Part B  | (\$ 148.50) |  |
| Retiree cost share on prescriptions   | (\$ 41.05)  |  |
| Payment to United Healthcare by Medicare  | (\$ 918.36) |  |
| Drug discounts  | (\$ 527.58) |  |
| Formulary rebates   | (\$ 106.19) |  |
| Federal drug subsidies  | (\$ 126.95) |  |
| Remaining Cost  | \$ 178      |  |



# MEHP Medicare Part B History

### The Medicare Part B Premium Rose to \$170.10 per Month in 2022

14.5% Increase is Among the Largest in Program History



### NOTE: Monthly premiums are rounded in this exhibit.

SOURCE: KFF analysis of the 2021 Annual Report of the Boards of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance and Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Funds and CMS, "Medicare Program; Medicare Part B Monthly Actuarial Rates, Premium Rates, and Annual Deductible Beginning January 1, 2022," 86 Federal Register 64205, November 17, 2021.



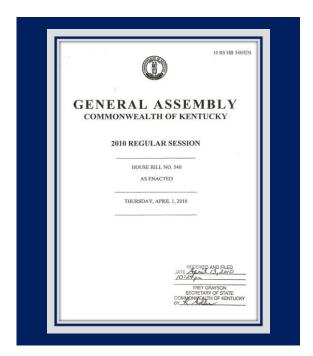
Source: Kaiser Family Foundation



## **Shared Responsibility**

### **In Second Decade**

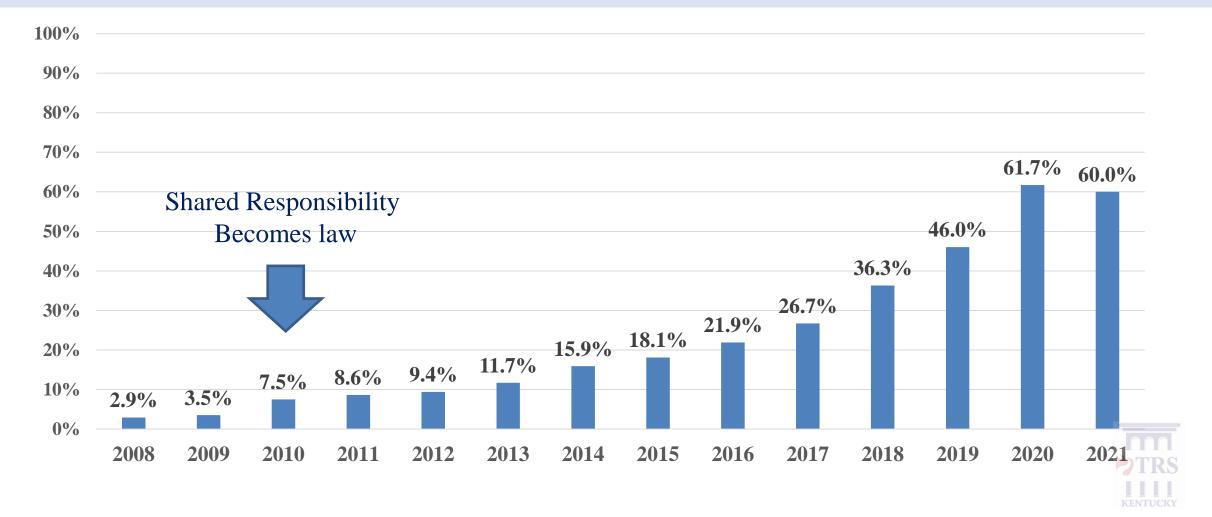
# Shared solution providing permanent funding for retiree health care





### **TRS Health Insurance**

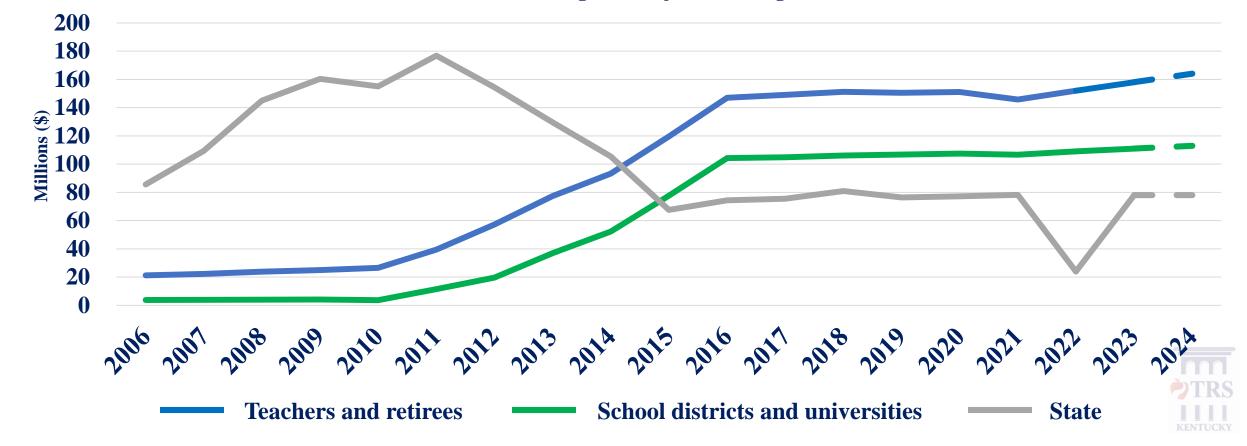
### **Funded Status**



## **Shared Responsibility**

### How the Cost Has Been Shared

Funding for Retiree Health Care 2006-2022 and Budgeted/Projected through 2024

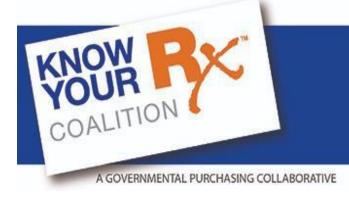


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### KEHP MEHP Personalized Medicine

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### TRS Solution: Personalized Medicine Partnership

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### **KEHP MEHP** Personalized Medicine

### **Peer-Reviewed Initial Results Receive Attention**



- \$37 million savings in direct medical charges over 32 months
- 66% had genetic risks detected in a currently prescribed medication
- 14.9% reduction in inpatient visits
- 6.8% reduction in emergency room visits
- \$218 savings a month per member, which equates to \$7,000 a member
- Return on investment of about 1,422%



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