

Dear Fund Member:

Our records indicate that you are an **active** federal employee and currently enrolled in SAMBA's Employee Benevolent Fund (EBF). This is to advise that the annual premium for the new plan year is now due (either \$26 if you have \$17,500 coverage option or \$52 if you have the \$35,000 coverage option). The next plan year begins on September 1, 2012

To continue your EBF enrollment, you must pay your annual premium by August 31, 2012. Enrollments not renewed by this date will be terminated.

Premium payments can only be made by credit/debit card or an electronic withdrawal from your checking or savings account. To pay your annual premium, [click here](https://www.sambaplans.com/members/frmSignIn.aspx?serviceid=billpay) <https://www.sambaplans.com/members/frmSignIn.aspx?serviceid=billpay> or visit www.SambaPlans.com and select Bill Pay under the Member Services tab. While online, take a moment to review your designation of beneficiary information and to update your account profile if necessary.

Please note that this is not an open enrollment period. Renewing members may not change their coverage option at this time.

We are pleased to announce that effective September 1, 2012, ReliaStar Life Insurance Company, a member of the ING family of companies, will be the underwriter of the EBF (the current underwriter is Prudential Insurance Company). Prudential Insurance Company will be liable for any loss arising from a death which occurs prior to September 1, 2012. Under no circumstances will benefits be payable under both policies for the same loss. An updated Summary Plan Description (Policy) will be available on our website September 1, 2012.

Simultaneous with the underwriter change, we are pleased to announce that the following new services are being added at no cost to you:

- Everest Funeral Planning and Concierge Benefits - Members may use Everest services to assist with funeral planning and negotiation at time of need as well as pre-planning tools to research and document decisions and wishes.
- ING Travel Assistance - When traveling more than 100 miles from home, ING Travel Assistance can help members with: Pre-Trip Information, Emergency Personal Services, Medical Assistance Service, and Emergency Transportation Services.

More information about these new services can be found on our EBF web page.

Remember to notify SAMBA immediately upon your retirement, resignation or change of agency. If you are no longer able to continue in the Fund, you may be able to convert your coverage amount to an individual ING policy without proof of insurability.

You can email SAMBA with any questions at ebf@sambaplans.com or call us at (800) 638-6589 between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm EST.

Don't put off renewing your enrollment. Do it today to avoid a loss of coverage.