## NO ACTION REQUIRED: FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## Overview

As of April 1, 2022, Empower acquired the full service retirement business of Prudential Retirement. Over a period of time, you may see references to Prudential and Empower as we transition our experiences. Throughout this process, we want you to know that our focus is on you and making this transition as seamless as possible. For your reference, outlined below is the entity level detail of the acquisition, including important information to help determine who will be servicing your account or other products.

Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America (EAIC), formerly known as Great-West Life & Annuity Insurance Company, the parent company of Empower Retirement, LLC (Empower) acquired the full-service retirement business of Prudential Financial, Inc. In connection with the transaction, EAIC acquired all shares of the following entities, which are no longer affiliated with Prudential Financial, Inc.: Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company, Prudential Bank & Trust, FSB, Global Portfolio Strategies, Inc., TBG Insurance Services Corporation, MC Insurance Agency Services, LLC, and Mullin TBG Insurance Agency Services, LLC. Beginning in October of 2022, Empower will rename certain acquired entities, including Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company, which will become Empower Annuity Insurance Company. For additional information regarding the name changes, please see: <a href="https://www.empower.com/name-change">www.empower.com/name-change</a>

Please use the following to determine if Empower is now the service provider for your account. If you have multiple accounts, you may be a customer of Prudential Financial, Inc. and its affiliates (together, Prudential) and Empower.

Account Type	Service Provider
If you are an annuitant, contingent annuitant or other beneficiary under a group annuity contract issued or reinsured by Prudential's pension risk transfer business or a plan participant whose benefit is administered by Prudential's pension risk transfer business  How do I know if this applies to me?  • You were previously issued an annuity certificate from the Prudential Insurance Company of America in connection with your employer's defined benefit plan, OR you previously received a communication from your employer that Prudential has issued a guaranteed annuity covering all or a portion of your pension benefit or pays your pension benefit.	Your account remains with Prudential and was not impacted by the transaction.  The "Important Disclosures Regarding the Empower Transaction" listed below <b>do not apply</b> to your account.
<ul> <li>If you independently purchased an individual annuity, life insurance or investment product with Prudential</li> <li>How do I know if this applies to me?</li> <li>You independently purchased a product from Prudential (other than a SmartSolution IRA) that is unrelated to an employer workplace plan.</li> <li>The product you purchased is issued by The Prudential Insurance Company of America (PICA), Prudential Annuities Life Assurance Corporation (PALAC), Pruco Life Insurance Company or Pruco Life Insurance Company of New Jersey.</li> <li>You purchased an investment product or service through Pruco Securities, LLC.</li> </ul>	Your account remains with Prudential and was not impacted by the transaction.  The "Important Disclosures Regarding the Empower Transaction" listed below <b>do not apply</b> to your account.
If you are a participant in the Prudential Employee Savings Plan (PESP); the Jennison Associates Savings Plan; the Assurance Savings Plan; the Prudential Supplemental Employee Savings Plan; the Prudential Financial, Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan and the attendant Prudential Long-Term Incentive Program; the Prudential Financial, Inc. 2016 Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors; or the PGIM, Inc. Omnibus Deferred Compensation Plan  How do I know if this applies to me?	Prudential remains the service provider for these plans. Empower is currently providing services as a sub-contractor for a transitional period.  Please carefully review the "Important Disclosures Regarding the Empower Transaction" below that apply to you as applicable.

• You receive statements and other notifications from Prudential in connection with one or more of these plans.

If you are a participant in a retirement plan previously serviced by Prudential Retirement, which may include defined benefit plans, nonqualified plans, defined contribution plans and 401(k) plans (including a plan that permits self-directed brokerage accounts), or you are an account holder of a SmartSolution IRA, an Auto Roll IRA or an NFS Prudential Brokerage Account...

## How do I know if this applies to me?

- You receive a notification from Prudential Retirement notifying you that Empower will become the service provider for your account.
- You receive a welcome email or letter from Empower.

...Empower is now the service provider for your account. However, with respect to Smart Solution IRA accounts and certain Auto Roll IRAs, Prudential Investment Management Services LLC (PIMS) remains the brokerdealer for a transitional period.

Please carefully review the "Important Disclosures Regarding the Empower Transaction" below that **apply to you**.

## **Important Disclosures Regarding the Empower Transaction**

Effective April 1, 2022, the following will apply to you:

- All references to "Prudential Retirement" refer to Empower. Prudential Retirement is no longer a business unit of Prudential.
- Certain insurance products written by The Prudential Insurance Company of America were reinsured to EAIC and Empower Life & Annuity Insurance Company of New York (for New York business). Empower Retirement will become the administrator of this business acquired from Prudential.
- Empower Retirement refers to the products and services offered by EAIC and its subsidiaries, including Empower Retirement, LLC. Empower Retirement is not affiliated with Prudential or its affiliates.
- Full-service retirement sales personnel and certain service personnel are no longer registered representatives of Prudential Investment Management Services LLC (PIMS) and are registered representatives of Empower Financial Services, Inc., formerly known as GWFS Equities, Inc., For a transitional period, certain back office and service personnel will remain registered representatives of PIMS.
- During a transition period, Prudential and, as applicable, its affiliates will continue to provide services to Empower. PIMS will continue to provide certain broker-dealer services under the terms of existing services agreements for certain plans and will continue to be the broker-dealer of record for existing SmartSolution IRAs and certain Auto Roll IRAs for a transitional period.
- Any documents pertaining to fraud or security commitments by Prudential Retirement are no longer applicable and are replaced with Empower's commitments as set forth at participant.empower-retirement.com/participant/#/articles/securityGuarantee.
- If Empower is the service provider for your account, Prudential's Privacy Statements and Privacy Notices are replaced with Empower's Privacy Notice as set forth at <a href="mailto:empower-retirement.com/privacy">empower-retirement.com/privacy</a> for your account.

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Have additional questions? For Prudential accounts and products, please call 800-621-1089. For Empower accounts and products, please call 877-778-2100.