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NBA Retiree Benefit Program Begins LPN Enrolment

The Nurses' Bargaining Association (NBA) Retiree Benefit Program (RBP) committee is pleased to share the finalization of the enrolment process for licensed practical nurses (LPNs) covered by the NBA provincial collective agreement.

Eligible LPN retirees who enrol in the RBP will receive a payment of up to \$2,000 in 2026. The RBP committee authorized the payments while it awaits the outcome of BCNU's request to the Canada Revenue Agency for a technical interpretation on the tax treatment of the RBP fund if used to provide health benefits through a health-care spending account.

All retired members are encouraged to share this news with fellow BCNU retirees who may not be receiving our emails to help ensure all eligible retired members are enrolled in the RBP so that they can also receive future benefits.

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\$52 Million in RBP Payments Issued to Members

Significant NBA RBP payments were made to eligible retired members in February, marking an important step forward in delivering benefits to retirees. Additional payments will continue in 2026 for RNs, RPNs and newly eligible retired LPNs.

RBP Members Encouraged to Keep BCNU Updated

NBA RBP members who have changed their contact information or financial institution details are encouraged to keep BCNU updated. Updating your information allows the RBP committee to contact members promptly and provide any payments or benefits on schedule. Visit bcnu.org and use the direct deposit form to update your information. If you have questions, please email RBP@bcnu.org.

In the News: BCNU Responds to Budget 2026

BCNU recognized both the significant fiscal pressures facing the province and the continued investments in health care announced in the 2026 provincial budget.

"We know that health care is a priority for British Columbians, and this budget reflects that," said BCNU President Adriane Gear on Feb. 17. "While health care has been prioritized, we were hoping to see more details regarding how various aspects of the budget will roll out."

Gear said the government must address chronic system-wide challenges including workforce shortages, emergency department closures, rising violence and increasing patient complexity.

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