

# Open Enrollment October 31 - November 14, 2025

All employees must make Medical, Dental and Vision elections for the new plan year beginning January 1, 2026, by going into the Open Enrollment (OE) portal in your Employee Dashboard. Flexible Spending elections must be made through WageWorks. Life insurance changes may be made by submitting forms to Human Resources.

Through the Online OE process in your dashboard, you will be able to make changes to the elections, add or remove benefits, add or remove dependents and associate dependents with your benefits. This document provides instructions for viewing your elections and dependents as well as making medical, dental, and vision elections.

You must complete OE in order for the elections to be submitted to Human Resources and Payroll. If you do not wish to enroll in or continue with any of these benefits in 2026, you must select the Waive option for benefits you do not wish to elect. If you do not complete the online OE process, your current elections will remain in place for 2026, with the exception of Flexible Spending accounts. **You must reenroll in Flexible Spending every year by visiting www.wageworks.com.** 

## By November 14, 2025:

- All changes for medical, dental, and vision must be made in Banner by midnight.
- FSA elections must be made by 11pm CST.
- All Supplemental Life enrollment materials and any additional required documentation (e.g. proof of dependent status) must delivered to Human Resources no later than 5pm.

You are strongly encouraged to verify that your changes to medical, dental, and vision were successful. Please email Jackie Perez at <a href="mailto:jperez81@illinoistech.edu">jperez81@illinoistech.edu</a> or Viktoria Rill at <a href="mailto:yrill@illinoistech.edu">yrill@illinoistech.edu</a> to verify.

# Instructions included in this guide

Click on the page name to go directly to that page **NEW: Banner Self Service demonstration video** (Passcode: 4w68=3nb)

**Dropping, changing or adding plans** 

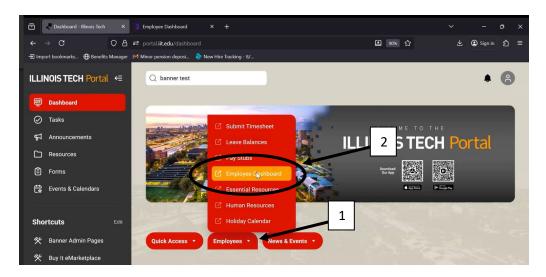
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Adding yourself and your dependents to a plan, or changing coverage dates

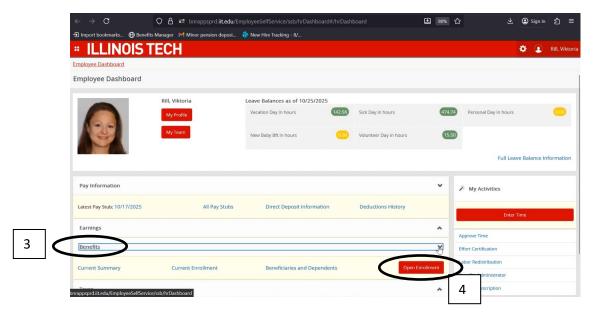
Frequently asked questions

# **Dropping, Changing, or Adding Plans**

- Access the Illinois Tech Portal by going to <u>portal.iit.edu</u>. Please go ahead and log into the Illinois Tech portal with your credentials if prompted to do so.
- When you're on your dashboard, click on red **Employees** button (#1 below) and then **Employee Dashboard** (#2 below).

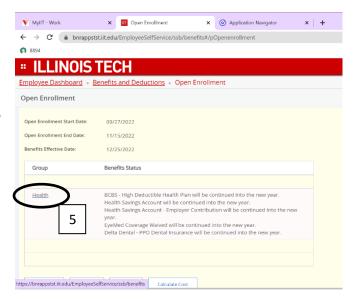


• When the new tab loads, open up the **Benefits** section (#3 below)

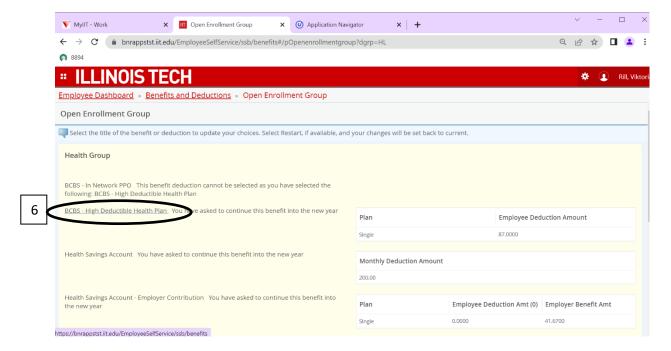


• Click on the red **Open Enrollment** button (#4 above)

- When the page reloads, click on the Start Open Enrollment button.
- When the page reloads, you will see your current benefit selections. To make changes, click on the Health hyperlink (#5 to the right)
- Tip: if the link is not live, make sure you've clicked the Start Open Enrollment button.

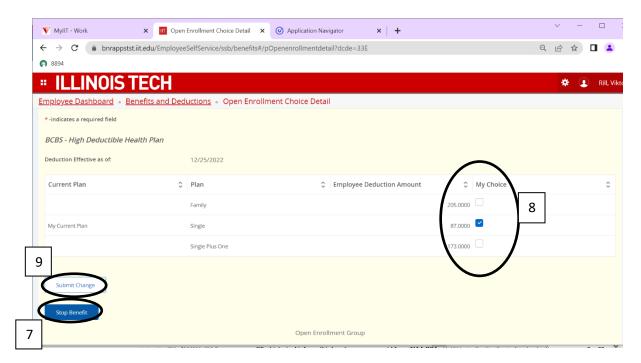


• When the page reloads, you will see options available for your open enrollment group. Plans in which you are currently enrolled will be live links (picture below).



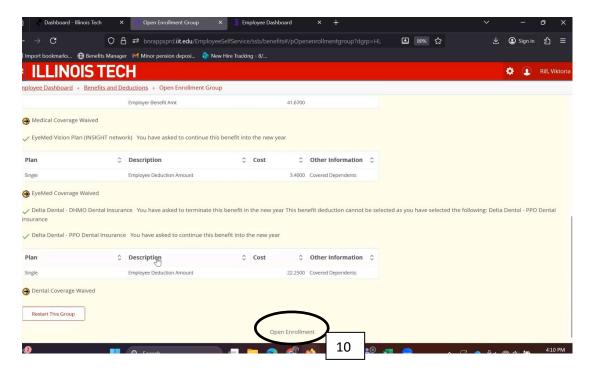
• To drop or change, click on the link for the plan you wish to change or drop (#6 above). Note: you will not be able to elect new a new plan unless you drop your current plan (or stop the Waived benefit option).

• When the page reloads, you can drop/change coverage, add a plan, or change coverage tiers.

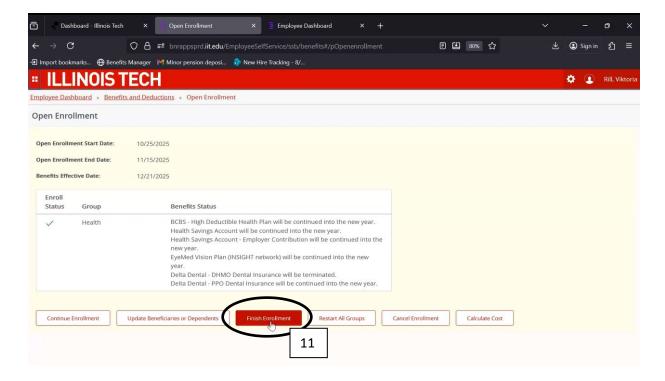


- TO DROP COVERAGE click the Stop Benefit button (#7 above). Note, you must also add your coverage end date (<u>click here for those instructions</u>) and add the Waived option for the plan you are dropping.
- TO CHANGE PLANS you must first drop your current plan using the instructions above.
  - When you get back to the Open Enrollment Group page, select the plan in which you wish to enroll (hyperlinks for all plans will become available to you once you drop your current plan).
  - When the page reloads, select your tier in the My Choice section (#8 above), then click the Submit Change button (#9 above).
  - Remember to add your end dates for the former plan, and start dates for the new plan. <u>Click here for those instructions</u>.
- o **TO ADD A PLAN** you must first drop Waived Coverage using the instructions above.
  - When you get back to the Open Enrollment Group page, select the plan in which you wish to enroll (hyperlinks for all plans will become available to you once you drop your current plan).
  - When the page reloads, select your tier in the My Choice section (#8 above), then click the Submit Change button (#9 above).
- **TO CHANGE TIERS** first select your current plan (see #6 on previous page). When the page reloads, select your tier in the **My Choice** section (#8 above), then click the **Submit Change** button (#9 above). **NOTE:** you are **NOT DONE** after this step.
- When the page reloads, you will be taken back to the page showing your benefit elections.
   NOTE: You are still NOT DONE.

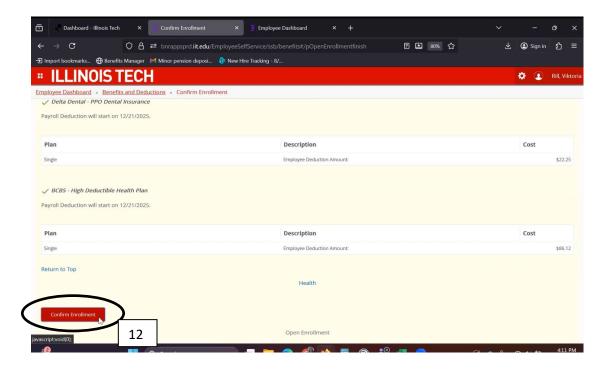
• To review your summary and complete your open enrollment, click on the **Open Enrollment** hyperlink (#10 below – the words Open Enrollment will turn into a light gray button/link).



When the page reloads, click on the Finish Enrollment button (#11 below). NOTE: you are STILL NOT DONE.



• When the page reloads, scroll down to review your coverage elections, and click on the Confirm Enrollment button (#12 below).



When the page reloads, the Confirm Enrollment button will change to a Print Confirmation button. We strongly encourage you to print a confirmation.

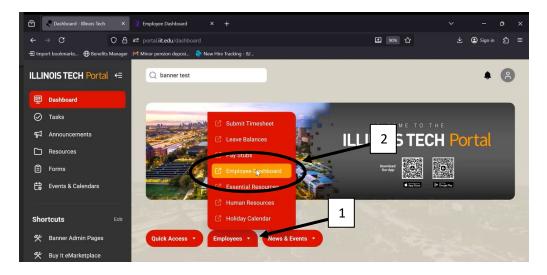
At this point you have made your plan change, but there is a final step in order to properly get you and your dependents covered: Enter your coverage Begin and End dates in the appropriate coverage and allocations summary screen. For instructions, please see Adding yourself and your dependents to a plan, or changing coverage dates.

# Reviewing and adding dependents to your IIT Portal

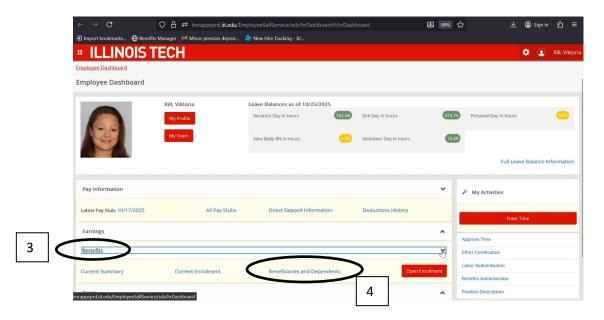
Note: Adding a dependent to your IIT Portal does not automatically enroll him/her in benefit plans. Once you have completed adding the dependent to your IIT Portal, you must go to the section entitled <u>Adding dependents to a plan</u> to enroll your new dependent.

## **Reviewing Dependents:**

- Access the Illinois Tech Portal by going to <u>portal.iit.edu</u>. Please go ahead and log into the Illinois Tech portal with your credentials if prompted to do so.
- When you're on your dashboard, click on red **Employees** button (#1 below) and then **Employee Dashboard** (#2 below).



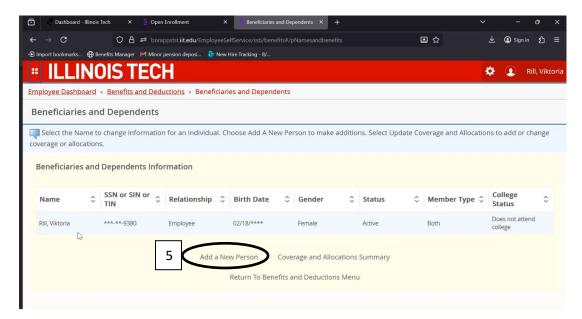
• When the new tab loads, open up the **Benefits** section (#3 below)



- Next, click on the Beneficiaries and Dependents link (#4 on previous page).
- When the next page loads, you will see any dependents currently listed. If you do not have any dependents, you will only see yourself.

## **Adding dependents**

 To add a new dependent, from the Beneficiaries and Dependents page, click on the Add a New Person hyperlink (#5 below).

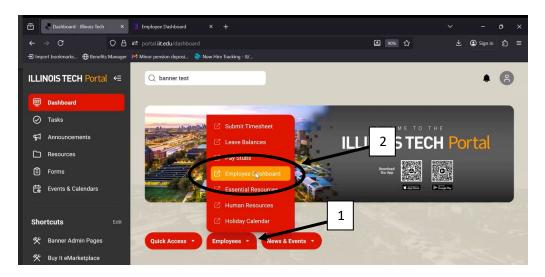


- When the new page loads, enter the required information:
  - First and Last Names
  - Relationship (choose from pull down menu)
  - Social Security Number (required for healthcare reporting purposes leave blank if your dependent does not have an SSN)
  - Date of birth
  - Gender
  - Beneficiary or Dependent drop-down (choose "Both" from pull down menu)
  - Dependent Child Type (new children only, choose from pull down menu)
  - Click the Submit Changes button
  - Once this process is complete, you must add your new dependent to your health, dental, and/or vision plans in order to enroll him or her for coverage (see <u>Adding yourself and</u> dependents to a plan, or changing coverage dates).

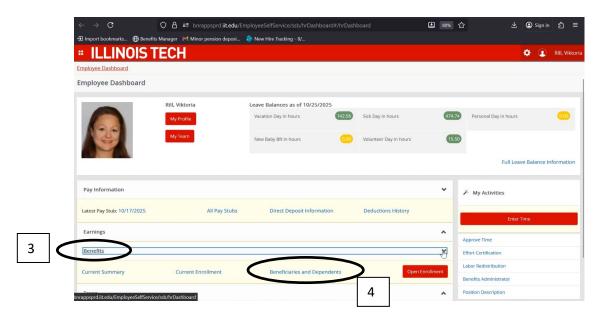
# Adding yourself and dependents to a plan, or changing coverage dates

Note: You must provide proof of relationship to Human Resources before your dependent's coverage is approved and finalized. Acceptable documentation may include a marriage certificate to add a spouse, and affidavit for a domestic partner relationship, birth certificates to add children, etc.

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- When you're on your dashboard, click on red Employees button (#1 below) and then Employee
   Dashboard (#2 below).

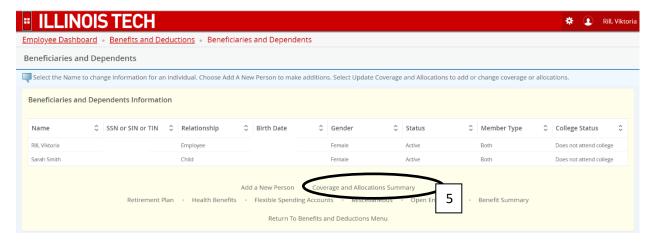


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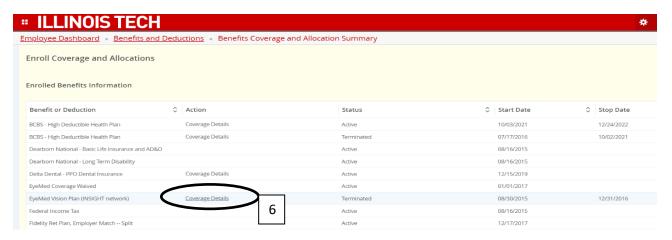


Next, click on the Beneficiaries and Dependents link (#4 above).

• To review dependents covered under your plans and add dependents to plans, click on the **Coverage and Allocations Summary** hyperlink (#5 below).

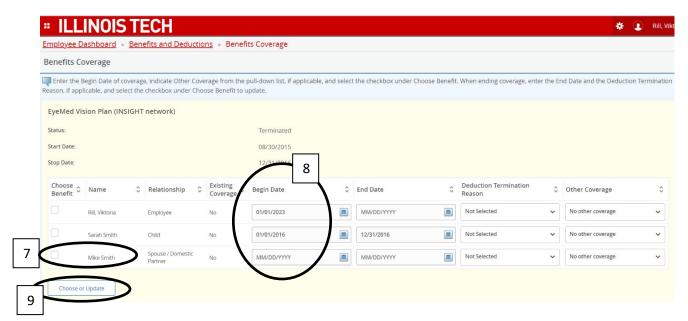


- When the Benefits Coverage and Allocations Summary page loads, you will see a list of your dependents, and the plans in which each individual is enrolled (see below).
- To add a dependent to a plan, scroll down to the Enroll Coverage and Allocations section (see below).



- Next, find the plan to which you wish to add the dependent, and click on the **Coverage Details** hyperlink next to that plan (#6 above).
- When the page reloads you are ready to add or drop yourself or your dependents to or from the plan.

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- When adding a dependent to a plan, check the box next to his or her name (#7 above), and enter 01/01/2026 in the **Begin Date** field (#8 above)
- To remove a dependent from a plan or add coverage end dates for plans you are dropping, check the box next the individuals name and enter 12/31/2025 in the **End Date** field.
- Click the Choose or Update box to save your changes (#9 above). When the page reloads you should see confirmation of the updates on the far right-hand side of the page (a green checkmark and the message "Successfully updated.").
- To add individuals, including yourself, to multiple plans, you must go back into the **Coverage Details** for each plan to which you wish to add the dependent.
- YOU MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF RELATIONSHIP TO HUMAN RESCOURCES BEFORE YOUR
  DEPENDENT'S COVERAGE IS APPROVED AND FINALIZED. Acceptable documentation may
  include a marriage certificate to add a spouse, and affidavit for a domestic partner relationship,
  birth certificates to add children, etc. If you have any questions, please contact Human
  Resources.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Q. When does Open Enrollment end?

A. Open enrollment runs from Friday, October 31 through Friday, November 14, 2025. Banner will close at midnight for medical, dental, and vision changes. WageWorks will close at 11pm CST for FSA enrollments. The Human Resources office will close at 5pm.

#### Q. When do my OE changes become effective?

A. Changes made during OE become effective January 1, 2026.

### Q. I don't want to make any changes at OE. Do I need to do anything?

A. While you are encouraged to log in and verify your coverage, if you do not take action all benefits will carry forward into 2026, with the exception of Flexible Spending accounts. **Employees must reenroll in Health and Dependent Care Flexible Spending Accounts each year by going to www.wageworks.com**.

#### Q. What happens if I miss OE, or need to make benefit changes after it ends?

A. If you miss OE, you miss your chance to make changes for the 2026 plan year, and must wait until the next OE for changes effective January 1, 2027. The only exception is that you may make changes if you experience a Qualified Life Status Changing Event, such as a marriage, divorce, birth or adoption of a child, spouse gains or loses employment, etc. Changes made due to a life status changing event must be made within 31 days of the event.

#### Q. What do I do if I experience a Life Status Changing event?

A. Contact Human Resources for information on changes you may make as a result of your event. Life Status Changing Events should be reported as soon as possible, as changes must be made within 31 days of the event.

#### Q. How do I add dependents at OE?

A. To add a dependent, first <u>add them via your Employee Dashboard</u>, then <u>add him or her to the</u> appropriate plan(s).

#### Q. How do I change plans?

A. To change plans, please visit the <u>Dropping, Changing or Adding Plans</u> page of this guide.

#### Q. What coverage tier should I elect for myself and my dependents?

A. Single Plus One plans will cover you and a spouse or one child. Family plans will cover you plus two or more dependents.

#### Q. Where do I go to enroll in or make change to my Flexible Spending Accounts?

A. To enroll in, or re-up, your Health and Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account elections, go directly to WageWorks (<a href="www.wageworks.com">www.wageworks.com</a>). Note: once you've successfully made your election, WageWorks will send a confirmation email to the email address you have on file with them. If you do not receive a confirmation email your election may not have been successful.

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#### Frequently asked questions (continued)...

#### Q. I'm having a baby later this year or in 2026. Do I need to add the dependent during OE?

A. No. The birth of a child is considered a Life Status Changing Event. You will have 31 days from the event date to add your new baby. Please contact Human Resources for information on documentation requirements and for additional information.

#### Q. Can I elect supplemental life insurance, or change my election, during OE?

A. Yes, however, enrollments, changes, and cancellations for life insurance cannot be completed online. Enrollment/change/cancellation and Medical Underwriting Forms are available on the <a href="https://example.com/HR website's">HR website's</a> Supplemental Life page.

#### Q. Can I change my 403(b) contributions at OE?

A. Yes. In fact, 403(b) contributions can be changed at any time during the year. To change your election, <u>please go through Banner Self Service</u>. Please note that revised 403(b) Plan Enrollment Forms for 2026 will be available in early December on the <u>HR website's Retirement Plan page</u>.

## Q. How do I change my withholdings and/or direct deposit information?

A. Federal withholdings can be updated in Banner Self Service via the Taxes section in your Employee Dashboard. In order to change your state withholdings or direct deposit information, you will need to complete new forms and send them to the payroll department Forms are available on the <a href="https://linearchy.com/line