

PensionAssist®

Pension Risk Transfer for Participants

PensionAssist®, a guaranteed single premium group annuity that allows a plan sponsor to replace pension payments it would make under a pension with annuity payments.

Benefits

- › Reduce or eliminate the uncertainty and impact of plan volatility on your company's balance sheet.
- › Free up time spent on plan-related activities.
- › Reduce your need for additional resources as the complexity of regulation increases.
- › Include full-service benefit administration and services for participants.
- › Provide guaranteed cash flows for your participants.

Features

- › Plan sponsor is no longer subject to Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) premiums and other administrative expenses for transferred liabilities.
- › Completely removes the pension liability from the plan sponsor's balance sheet.
- › Placement size of **\$1 million or more**.
- › **Available settlement options:**
 - Life Only (single life).
 - Life with Period Certain (single life).
 - Life Only (joint and survivor).
 - Life with Period Certain (joint and survivor).
 - Period Certain (non-life contingent).

- › **Additional reductions available for joint and survivor settlement option:**
 - % reduction on death of primary annuitant.
 - % reduction on death of secondary annuitant.
 - % reduction on death of either annuitant.
- › Withholding (state and federal taxes).
- › Routine changes (address, beneficiary, etc.).
- › Data for tax reporting.
- › QDRO provisions.
- › Ability to disburse payments via check or electronic funds transfer.
- › Payments deposited in specified accounts.

Western-Southern Life Assurance Company

- › Largest insurance company within Western & Southern Financial Group.
- › Total admitted assets of \$39.7 billion as of December 31, 2025.

National Integrity Life Insurance Company

- › New York domiciled life insurance company.
- › Total admitted assets of \$6.7 billion as of December 31, 2025.

Financial Strength

- › Our heritage of financial strength and stability dates back 135 years.
- › A+ AM Best Rating (Superior; 2nd highest of 13 ratings).¹
- › \$132.5 billion total AUM² (\$88.0 billion assets owned plus \$44.5 billion managed).
- › High-quality, well-diversified portfolio.
- › Strong risk management culture.
- › Diversified family of seven insurance companies and other financial services firms.
- › Very strong claims-paying ability.

Superior Customer Service

Administrative Expertise:

- › Currently servicing **more than 120,000²** certificates and payout contracts (group annuitants, single premium immediate annuities, supplementary contracts and structured settlements).
- › Annual payouts exceed **\$1.0 billion²** per year.
- › Normal business hours of operation Monday through Friday
- › Extended hours may be available, if/when necessary.
- › Turnaround time of 5-7 calendar days to process address, tax withholding or banking information changes.
- › Constantly monitoring activity to make timely adjustments to resources and procedures, ensuring customers are receiving the best possible service.

1 Superior ability to meet ongoing insurance obligations (second highest of 13 ratings; rating held since June 2009. Ratings are subject to change from time to time. The ratings shown here are correct as of February 2026.

2 As of 12/31/25 for Western & Southern Financial Group, Inc.

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