

# CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE

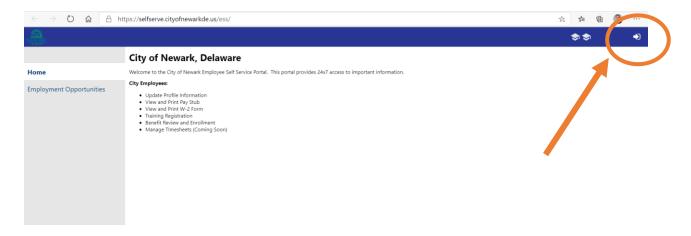
## **FULL-TIME STAFF MEMBER 2026 OPEN ENROLLMENT SELECTION PROCESS**

Please read through the following steps and complete your Open Enrollment selections by Friday, November 7, 2025!

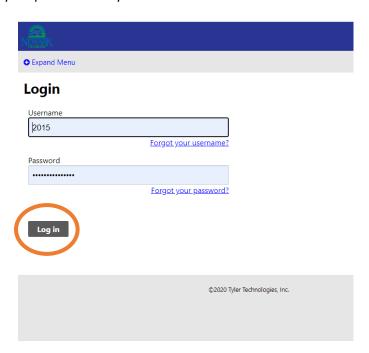
STEP ONE: Go to Employee Self Service (ESS) via the City intranet or by going straight to

https://selfserve.cityofnewarkde.us/ess/.

**STEP TWO:** Click on the log-in button in the top right corner:



**STEP THREE:** Enter log-in information (employee # as Username; personal password) to enter the site. Please let Tracy Bak (<a href="mailto:tbak@newark.de.us">tbak@newark.de.us</a>) know if you have difficulty signing in. She will reset your password for you:



**STEP FOUR:** Once logged in, find the **Benefits** tab on the left side of the screen. Click the link:



# STEP FIVE: Open Enrollment will pop up beneath Benefits. Click Open Enrollment:



#### **STEP SIX:**

The 2026 Open Enrollment page will have ten (10) selection possibilities. All eligible benefits must be selected or declined. If you are making changes to any coverages for 2026, click on **Select** for the appropriate coverage area(s) (health, dental, & vision), which will bring you to the selection options for each benefit selection. If you are <u>not</u> making changes to any coverages for 2026, click on **No Changes** for appropriate coverage area(s). If you are <u>declining</u> coverage for 2026 (i.e., not using the City's insurance offerings), click on **Decline** for the appropriate coverage area(s).

Please note: if you had any qualifying events that changed your plan(s) in 2025, these must be selected again here—selecting "No Changes" will copy your submission for 2025 and may miss changes or added/subtracted dependents/beneficiaries.

**VOLUNTARY BENEFITS:** Dependent life insurance, FSAs, HSA, and FUNdraiser Friday selections must be made through ESS. **YOU MUST MAKE THESE ELECTIONS EVEN IF YOU CURRENTLY HAVE BENEFITS.** 

If you are selecting the PPO or HMO plans, you must <u>decline</u> the HDHP plan; and vice versa. The "Health Savings Account (HDHP)" and "Limited FSA (DENT/VIS ONLY)" options will only populate as eligible selections if you select the HDHP. <u>If you are opting into these plans</u>, please do not select the Medical FSA.

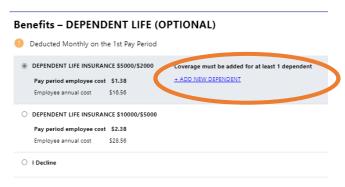
#### Open Enrollment - Make Elections Make a selection for each benefit, then click "Continue". You must submit this enrollment by 11/14/2021. Welcome to the City of Newark's Open Enrollment portal for 2022, Please choose "Select." "Decline." or "No Changes" for each line below, All selections must be made before 5:00 p.m. on November 12, 2021 to ensure you have benefits for 2022. Please note: If you had any qualifying events that changed your plan(s) in 2021, these must be selected again here—selecting "No Changes" will copy your submission for 2021 and may miss changes or added/subtracted de **HEALTH HMO/PPO** AETNA - PPO - EMPLOYEE ONLY - \$0.00 NO CHANGES SELECT Existing benefit: AETNA - PPO - EMPLOYEE ONLY - \$0.00 HEALTH HOHP PPO NO CHANGES SELECT Declined DENTAL RENEELT DECLINE NO CHANGES SELECT Existing benefit: DELTA DENTAL - EMPLOYEE ONLY - \$0.00 VISION BENEFIT NO CHANGES SELEC Existing benefit: VBA - VISION PLAN - EMPLOYEE ONLY - \$0.00 LIFE INSURANCE (OPTIONAL) DECLINE SELECT DEPENDENT LIFE (OPTIONAL) DECLINE SELECT Election not made DEPENDENT CARE ESA (OPTIONAL) Election not made MEDICAL FSA (OPTIONAL) DECLINE SELECT Election not made HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT (HDHP) Enrollment in this section requires enrollment in HEALTH HDHP PPO Declined LIMITED FSA (DENT/VIS ONLY) Enrollment in this section requires enrollment in HEALTH HDHP PPO FRIDAY CASUAL DAY DECLINE SELECT \$0.00 Estimated total cost per pay period

### STEP SEVEN:

If you are <u>newly selecting into the HMO Plan</u>, you will need to enter a 6-digit Primary Care Provider (PCP) number. Once clicking **Select** on the **2026 Health Benefit** tab, the following link will pop up in the top right corner of the screen, which will help you find your PCP's number if you do not know it:



# **STEP EIGHT:** If you are opting into the dependent life insurance, you must input <u>at least</u> one dependent:



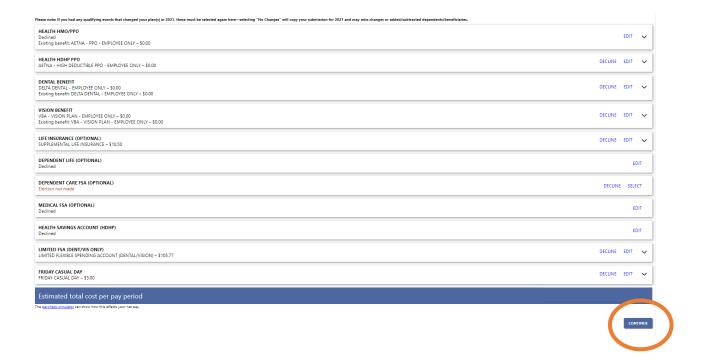
### **STEP EIGHT:** HSA & FSA Contribution Limits:

If you are signing up for the HSA, the employee-only maximum per-pay contribution amount is \$112.50 and the family maximum per-pay contribution amount is \$222.91.

If you are signing up for the Health or Limited FSA, the maximum per-pay contribution amount is \$119.23.

If you are signing up for the Dependent Care Account, the maximum per-pay contribution amount is \$288.46.

### **STEP NINE:** Once you completed your selections, click **Continue**:



# **STEP TEN:** Review your selections and click **Submit** at the bottom of the page:



THAT'S IT! PLEASE BE SURE TO CLICK THROUGH TO <u>SUBMIT</u> AND YOU RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION. YOUR ENROLLMENT WILL NOT BE COMPLETE WITHOUT FINISHING THE ENTIRE PROCESS!

### Confirmation

Your enrollment was submitted successfully. You can make changes until your choices have been approved. You may want to print this page for your records.

Reach out to HR Administrator Tracy Bak at tbak@newark.de.us or (302) 366-7000 x1031 if you have additional questions or difficulty.