

## Office Memorandum

**Date:** November 13, 2018  
**To:** Agency Payroll and Human Resources Staff  
**From:** Mary Muellner, Director, Statewide Payroll Services  
**Subject:** **Year-End Payroll and Tax-Related Reminders**

An announcement has been posted on the Self Service Announcements page reminding employees of the following tax-related items that may require their attention:

1. Updating home addresses in the HR/Payroll system, and
2. Refiling W-4, W-4MN and MWR information for 2019 (if necessary).

We recommend employees complete most of these tasks in Self Service, or they can submit the information to their Payroll or HR office for entry in SEMA4. It is particularly important for employees who have not consented to receive their Form W-2 via Self Service to review and update their home address.

### **Exempt status**

Employees working in Minnesota who are residents of North Dakota or Michigan (MWR filers) that want to remain exempt from Minnesota state income tax withholding must refile an MWR form each year. Employees who want to remain exempt from federal income tax withholding must refile a W-4 form each year. Employees who want to remain exempt from state withholding must refile the appropriate state withholding form (for Minnesota residents this is the W-4MN form).

**Note:** Information is reported to the Minnesota Department of Revenue when an employee claims more than 10 Minnesota withholding allowances or exemption from Minnesota withholding.

During the week of November 26, we will post another bulletin which will include complete information on the steps you and your employees will need to take in the various refiling situations.

### **SEMA4 Help resources**

- Policy and Procedure [PAY0002, Changing an Employee's Tax Status](#)
- [Adding Employee Tax Information - Tasks](#)

### **Forms**

For employees who choose not to submit refiling information using Self Service, the following forms are available to be submitted to your office:

- **Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate**, is available from the IRS at 800-829-3676 or [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). We anticipate the IRS will make the updated 2019 Form W-4 available before year-end. (The 2019 Form W-4 will be available to employees via the State of

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Minnesota Self Service website and the Minnesota Management & Budget website [on the [Forms-Payroll page](#) select Taxes] when the IRS makes it available.)

- **Form W-4MN**, *Minnesota Employee Withholding Allowance/Exemption Certificate*, is available from the Minnesota Department of Revenue at 651-296-4444 or [www.revenue.state.mn.us](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us). We anticipate the Minnesota Department of Revenue will make the updated 2019 Form W-4MN available before year-end. (The 2019 Form W-4MN will be available to employees via the State of Minnesota Self Service website and the Minnesota Management & Budget website [on the [Forms-Payroll page](#) select Taxes] when the Minnesota Department of Revenue makes it available.)
- **Form MWR**, *Reciprocity Exemption/Affidavit of Residency*, is available from the Minnesota Department of Revenue at 651-296-4444 or [www.revenue.state.mn.us](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us). (The 2019 Form MWR will be available via the State of Minnesota Self Service website and the Minnesota Management & Budget website [on the [Forms-Payroll page](#) select Taxes]. It will be available in Self Service around January 1.)

### Questions?

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