

Office Memorandum

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To: Agency Payroll, HR, and Accounting Staff
From: Mary Muellner, Director, Statewide Payroll Services
Subject: **FICA/Medicare Rates for 2019 and Supplemental Tax Rates**

FICA/Medicare Rates

The amounts below indicate the maximum earnings subject to FICA/Medicare tax and the tax rates for the years 2018 and 2019.

FICA/Medicare Rate	Calendar Year 2018	Calendar Year 2019
Maximum annual earnings subject to FICA	\$128,400	\$132,900
Maximum annual earnings subject to Medicare	Unlimited	Unlimited
FICA rate (employee only)	6.2%	6.2%
FICA rate (employer only)	6.2%	6.2%
Medicare rate (employee only):		
• Employee Contribution Rate on all earnings subject to Medicare	1.45%	1.45%
• Additional Employee Contribution Rate when annual earnings subject to Medicare is \$200,000 and above	0.9%	0.9%
Medicare rate (employer only)	1.45%	1.45%
Maximum annual Medicare tax (employee and employer)	Unlimited	Unlimited

Employees who reached the yearly FICA maximum tax for 2018 will see a change in their net pay beginning with the first check in calendar year 2019 on 1/4/2019.

Supplemental Tax Rates

The federal supplemental rate remains unchanged at 22%. The Minnesota supplemental tax rate will remain unchanged at 6.25%.

Questions?

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