Within Reach:
Transitioning from career to retirement
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Staying on course: Today’s agenda

- Evaluate where you are now
- Retirement income
- Taxes
- Healthcare
- Insurance
- Estate planning
- Risks
- Action steps and Q&A
Quick quiz

What’s the most important thing to do as you approach retirement?

A. Sign up for Medicare
B. Plan your retirement party. Then plan what you’ll do once you’re retired.
C. Talk to a Financial Consultant about how much you’ll need to live on
D. Write your will
Evaluate where you are now: A mental checklist

- Evaluate your retirement savings
- Pay off debt and reduce expenses to help maximize retirement savings
- Know how to fund the retirement you want
Assess where you are now

- Define your personal goals
- Consider your benefits
- Assess your savings
- Make a budget for retirement
Retirement income: A few tips for wannabe retirees

- Be flexible
- Allocate assets wisely
- This is a risky endeavor. Exercise caution!
- Be realistic
- Diversification can be an important strategy

Diversification is a technique to help reduce risk. However, there is no guarantee that diversification will protect against a loss of income. There is no guarantee that asset allocation reduces risk or increases returns.
Checklist: Retirement income

- Sources
  - Social Security
  - Stock dividends
  - Bonds
  - Annuities
  - Interest income and savings accounts
  - IRAs, 401(k) and 403(b)
  - Continuing to work
  - Pay off debt and reduce other expenses

Bank savings accounts are insured by the FDIC and may offer a fixed rate of return, whereas the return and principal value of other investments will fluctuate with changes in market conditions. Rates on government bonds are fixed and principal, if held to maturity, is guaranteed. U.S. corporate bonds offer a fixed rate of return and principal value.
Checklist: Taxes

- Decide on a realistic retirement date
- Determine which income sources to draw from first
- Integrate your planning with retirement plans for your spouse or significant other
- What will you do with your 401(k) or 403(b), your pension? (There are tax implications.)
- Selling a house? You may need to consider capital gains tax.

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## Checklist: Milestone review

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<th>Age</th>
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<td>59½</td>
<td>Withdrawals from tax-advantaged retirement plans no longer subject to 10% early-withdrawal penalty.</td>
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<td>Minimum age to receive Social Security benefits, but at a reduced amount.</td>
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<td>Full Social Security benefits (regardless of any future earnings) available if you were born between 1943 and 1954.</td>
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<td>Full Social Security benefits available if you were born in 1960 or later.</td>
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<td>70½</td>
<td>Must begin withdrawing funds from your retirement plans.</td>
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<td>- Employer plans: by April 1 following the year you turn age 70½ or retire from the sponsoring employer, whichever is later.</td>
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<td>- IRAs (except Roth IRAs): by April 1 following the year you turn age 70½.</td>
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<td>Must begin withdrawing funds exempt from age 70½ distribution requirement (funds contributed to a 403(b) plan before January 1, 1987), unless you are still employed and meet certain criteria.</td>
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<td>90</td>
<td>Must begin income from after-tax annuities. Latest you can start taking lifetime annuity income from a TIAA retirement account.</td>
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Checklist: Healthcare

- Sign up for Medicare within three months of your 65th birthday
- Get familiar with the options at medicare.gov
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE
- Consider Medigap coverage, too
Checklist: Insurance

- Health
- Long-term care
Checklist: Estate planning

- Leave your estate in order. (Your loved ones will be eternally grateful.)
- Consult the proper experts to help you create an estate plan
  - Attorneys
  - Tax advisors / Accountants
- Check with people you know who have worked with an attorney on estate planning; interview the attorney before hiring him or her
- Meet with a Financial Consultant for guidance on product needs
Help curb your risk

**Diversify your portfolio**
- Diversification may help you avoid big changes in the value of your investments
- Diversify by sector, too

**Allocate appropriately**
- Most of a portfolio’s performance is linked to the way it’s allocated

**Adjust as needed**
- Change your draw down strategy and asset allocation, as needed, throughout your retirement

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- Retirement Income Planner
- Asset Allocation Evaluator
- Retirement Advisor - [TIAA.org/setyourgoals](http://TIAA.org/setyourgoals)

And some additional resources…

- aarp.org
- myretirement.org
- medicare.gov

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What will you do next?

- Be flexible as you reach retirement
- Allocate appropriately for your situation
- Review your retirement plan regularly. Adjust it when needed
Questions?
Thank you!

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The AARP retirement checklist begins with defining your own goals for retirement.¹

¹AARP, “How to Retire Happy,” accessed online November 2016

When it comes to your actual investment portfolio, no other factor will have a bigger impact on your portfolio’s success or failure than your asset-allocation plan.²


It pays to wait – Social Security monthly benefits are 76% higher at age 70 than 62.³


Short-term capital gains are from the sale of investments held for one year or less, while long-term capital gains are from the sale of shares held for one year or more. The capital gains tax rate usually depends on your income. For most taxpayers a zero or 15 percent rate will apply, though this can go up to a 25 or 28 percent rate on certain types of net capital gains.⁴


Average life expectancy for a 65-year-old in the United States is 84 years old for men and 87 years old for women.⁵

⁵Social Security Administration, “Calculators: Life Expectancy,” accessed online September 2016

In 2016, 29 percent of all workers were in high-deductible plans, up from 20 percent in 2014. In 2016, 83 percent of covered workers face a deductible that’s risen 12 percent from 2015, and 49 percent since 2011.⁶

⁶Kaiser Family Foundation, “Average Annual Workplace Family Health Premiums Rise Modest 3% to $18,142 in 2016; More Workers Enroll in High-Deductible Plans With Savings Option Over Past Two Years,” September 2016

Fewer companies are offering full or even partial spousal healthcare coverage. Employee-funded coverage has grown from 40% in 2013 to 52% in 2015.⁷


Average annual out-of-pocket recurring healthcare expenses can reach nearly $4,400 for 65-74-year-olds; over $6,600 for those 85 and older⁸

⁸Employee Benefit Research Institute, “Utilization Patterns and Out-of-Pocket Expenses for Different Health Care Services Among American Retirees,” accessed online June 2016

According to the SSA, your Medicare medical insurance and prescription drug coverage may cost you more money.⁹

⁹Social Security Administration, “Retirement Planner: Benefits by Year of Birth,” accessed online November 2016

For the approximately 49 million Americans enrolled in Medicare Part B, the standard premium in 2016 is $121.80 (or higher depending on your income) and the deductible is $166.¹⁰

¹⁰Medicare, “Part B Costs,” accessed online November 2016
Withdrawals of earnings from a retirement account or annuity are subject to ordinary income tax, plus a possible federal 10% penalty if you make a withdrawal before age 59½.

Annuities are designed for retirement savings or for other long-term goals. They offer several payment options, including lifetime income. Guarantees are based on the claims-paying ability of the issuing company. Payments from variable annuities are not guaranteed, and the payment amounts may rise or fall depending on investment returns. The contract value of a deferred variable annuity is subject to market fluctuations and investment risk so that, when withdrawn, it may be worth more or less than its original value.

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