

Important change notice

From **1 April 2020**, the Federal Government's new legislation known as *Putting Members' Interests First* comes into effect.



This notice explains what is changing and how it impacts members.

Current status

Most members automatically receive insurance cover when they join LGIAsuper. The amount and type of insurance received is determined by factors such as your age, the date you joined LGIAsuper and how you are employed.

What is changing?



On **1 April 2020**, new government legislation comes into effect to help protect members' superannuation balances. These changes are known as *Putting Members' Interests First*. They require all members with a balance of less than \$6,000, and all new members who are under 25 years of age, to let us know if they would like to have insurance.

Why is it changing?

The changes aim to prevent members' superannuation balances from being eroded by premiums for insurance that may not be needed.

Who is impacted?

- All members whose superannuation balance has not been \$6,000 or more from **1 November 2019**, regardless of age, will need to let us know if they would like to keep insurance cover unless their balance reaches \$6,000 or more; and
- All members who open a new superannuation account from **1 April 2020**, and are under 25 years of age, will need to let us know if they would like to have insurance cover.



What do you need to do?

If you decide you would like to keep your LGIAsuper insurance cover, you can do this by:

- Visiting lgiasuper.com.au/keepmyinsurance and clicking on 'Yes, keep my insurance'; or
- completing and returning the **form**.

Benefits of keeping your LGIAsuper insurance cover

LGIAsuper's insurance cover can help protect you and your family against the unexpected. This cover could help you meet your financial obligations if you become unable to work due to sickness or injury.

Advantages of insurance through LGIAsuper include:

- It's easy to manage because insurance premiums are automatically deducted from your super account, not from your take-home pay.
- It generally costs less to have your insurance cover through superannuation.
- You could receive a minimum level of cover without needing the usual health checks.

Dangerous occupations exception

For members who work in dangerous occupations, having insurance can be especially important and often it can be difficult to get cover outside of your superannuation account. If you think that you work in a dangerous occupation and would like help to keep your insurance cover, please contact us on **1800 444 396**.

Reinstatement of your LGIAsuper insurance cover

If you change your mind after your insurance cover is turned off, it can be reinstated if you tell us within 60 days of it being turned off with no penalty or loss of cover. Reinstatement will take effect from the date your insurance cover ceased.

To reinstate your cover, your account must have enough funds to pay the premium owed for the period your cover was turned off.

Want to know more?

If you are unsure or would like to discuss the above changes and how they relate to your account, please contact us on 1800 444 396 or info@lgiasuper.com.au

LGIAsuper has adopted the Insurance in Superannuation Voluntary Code of Practice and is committed to reaching compliance in 2020/21. Further information can be found on the LGIAsuper [website](#).