

Partners

In the pursuit of its goal to protect your benefits and promote its members' interests, FSNA represents members on several governmental and non-governmental committees.

The following overview of the major partners with which FSNA is associated gives the mandate of these committees and identifies the Association spokespersons. Where possible, partner Web sites are shown.

PENSION

Public Service Pension Advisory Committee

Mandate:

To review matters respecting the administration, design and funding of the benefits provided under the Public Service Superannuation Act; make recommendations to the Minister about those matters; and review any other pension-related matters that the Minister may refer.

FSNA Participation:

Bernard Dussault, Senior Research & Communications Officer:
Technical assistant to the pensioners' representative.

Web site:

www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/media/nr-cp/2006/1222_e.asp

Canadian Forces Pension Advisory Committee

Mandate:

To advise the Minister of National Defence on matters relating to Canadian Forces pensions. This committee is the ideal vehicle for bringing Canadian Forces pensioners' concerns to the attention of the Minister and senior officials.

FSNA Participation:

Bernard Dussault, Senior Research & Communications Officer:
Technical assistant to the pensioners' representative.

Public Sector Pension Investment Board Nominating Committee

Mandate:

Suggest candidates for membership on the PS Pension Investment Board. Vehicle for ensuring candidates are qualified to manage funds of public service, Canadian Forces and RCMP pension plans.

FSNA Representative:

G. Dennis Jackson, FSNA Immediate Past National President.

Web site:

www.investpsp.ca

HEALTH

Public Service Health Care Plan (PSHCP)

As of June 1, 2007, a new not-for profit corporation called the Federal Public Service Health Care Plan Administration Authority replaced the Public Service Health Care Plan Trust (PSHCP Trust). The Administration Authority is managed by a Board of 10 directors charged with overseeing the administration of the PSHCP and of reviewing appeals of decisions on plan members' coverage or claims for reimbursements. A senior-level forum, the Partners Committee, is responsible for plan design changes and cost management strategies.

FSNA Representatives:

Charlotte Roy, Research and Communications Officer: Board of Directors, Administration Authority; and
G. Dennis Jackson, FSNA Immediate Past National President: Partner.

Web site:

www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/hr-rh/bp-rasp/benefits-avantages/hcp-rss/hcp-rss_e.asp

Pensioners' Dental Services Plan Board

Responsible for reviewing and advising Treasury Board on design and other issues relating to the dental plan including the selection of an administrator.

The PDSP Board is one of the main means for FSNA to ensure that the needs of pensioners are reflected in plan design and administration.

FSNA Participation:

Jim Ferguson (Ottawa Branch Member), public service pensioners' representative.

Web Site:

www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pubs_pol/hrpubs/Pensions/pdsp_dec14-2000_e.asp

ADVOCACY

Congress of National Seniors' Organizations

Mandate:

To influence and shape politics and programs on aging through efficient and effective dialogue between seniors' organizations and all levels of government. The Congress consists of 12 national seniors' organizations, including FSNA.

FSNA Representative:

Sylvia Ceacero, FSNA Executive Director serves as CNSO President.

Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA)

Mandate:

CCMTA is a non-profit organization comprised of representatives of the provincial, territorial and federal governments of Canada, which through the collective consultative process, makes decisions on administration and operational matters dealing with licensing, registration and control of motor vehicle transportation and highway safety.

FSNA is an Associate Member of CCMTA.

FSNA Representative:

Jennifer Stevens, Health Care Research & Advocacy Officer; and
Dave Brown, Ottawa Branch Member.

Web Site:

www.ccmta.ca/english/

Common Front for Retirement Security (CFRS)

Mandate:

Formed in June 2007, the CFRS is comprised of 22 seniors' organizations giving voice to over two million organized Canadians. The CFRS evolved from the Common Front for Pension Splitting (CFPS) after its three-year advocacy campaign that prompted the federal and provincial governments to introduce pension splitting for married and common law households starting in tax year 2007. The CFRS advocates for better governance of pensions, investments, and retirement savings.

FSNA Representative:

Bernard Dussault, Senior Research & Communications Officer.

Web Site:

www.retirementsecurity.ca