

NHS Pensions

Death benefit nominations - Employer FAQs

- Q Is there a limit to the number of people the member can nominate?
- A The member can nominate one or more people to receive the Life Assurance Lump Sum.
- Q How does the member make a nomination?
- A Assuming the member has contributed to the Scheme on or after 1 April 2008 they should complete a form DB2 that can be downloaded from the website.
- Q What if the member wants to change the nomination?
- A The member can change the nomination using form DB2. If the member wants to cancel a nomination they should complete form NOM1.
- Q If the member ceases NHS employment or retires, can they make a nomination?
- A Yes, a member who has contributed to the Scheme on or after 1 April 2008 can make a nomination at any time.
- Q What if one of the nominees changes address?
- A The member should keep us informed of any changes of address.
- Q What if one of the nominees dies?
- A The deceased nominees share is paid to the members estate unless the member chooses to amend the basis of their nomination via form DB2.
- Q The member would like to nominate her two children and a charity to receive equal shares of the lump sum is this possible?
- A No, the member can only nominate either one organisation or multiple persons. The lump sum cannot be split between an organisation and a person.

- Q Can we obtain supplies of the nomination forms from the Stationery Distribution Centre?
- A No, they can be downloaded from the website either by the member themselves or the employer.
- Q If the member dies and holds a multiple nomination who completes the Death Claim form?
- A claim form AW11 should be completed by each of the nominees. If NHS Pensions receives a form AW11 and the record shows a multiple nomination, we will send claim forms to all the nominees.
- Q How will the Death Gratuity be paid if there is a multiple nomination?
- A The Scheme will pay separate amounts to each nominee on receipt of a completed claim form and sight of the nominee's original birth certificate.
- Q The member is single and has made a nomination in favour of their partner. Will the partner receive survivor benefits when the member dies?
- A The member should complete a Partner Nomination form PN1, if they wish their partner to receive survivor benefits.