

## Did You Know?

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## #1: IRA Required Distribution Age Increase

Did you know that provisions of the *Secure 2.0 Act* increased the age at which required minimum distributions ("RMDs") from IRAs or qualified plans generally must commence from **age 72** to **age 73** in 2023?

Check out this and other provisions of the Secure 2.0 Act here: <u>SECURE 2.0</u> Act: <u>Potential Employer Impact</u> or for a more in depth look at RMD's take a look at this piece: <u>8 Things You Should Know About RMDs</u>.

Feel free to reach out with questions on this or any other planning topic.

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Typically, a retirement plan participant leaving an employer's plan has the following four options (and may be able to use a combination of these options depending on their employment status, age and the availability of the particular option):

- 1. Cash out the account value and take a lump sum distribution from the current plan subject to mandatory 20% federal income tax withholding, as well as potential income taxes and 10% early withdrawal penalty tax, or continue tax deferred growth potential by doing one of the following:
- Leave the assets in the former employer's plan (if permitted)
- 3. Roll over the retirement assets into the new employer's qualified plan, if one is available and rollovers are permitted, or
- 4. Roll over the retirement savings into an IRA.

Other factors to consider when making a rollover decision include (among other things) the differences in: (1) investment options, (2) fees and expenses, (3) services, (4) penalty-free withdrawals, (5) creditor protection in bankruptcy and from legal judgments, (6) required minimum distributions or "RMDs," (7) the Tax Treatment of Employer Stock, and (8) the availability of plan loans (e.g., loans are not permitted from IRAs, and the availability from an employer's qualified retirement plan will depend on the terms of the plan.)

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