

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
CHANGES TO MERCK FOUNDATION'S PARTNERSHIP FOR GIVING (P4G)
RETIREE CONTRIBUTION MATCH**

BACKGROUND

The Merck Foundation's Partnership for Giving (P4G) is the year-round matching gift program that has provided U.S. employees and retirees of Merck the opportunity to obtain a match for personal donations made to organizations of their individual choice.

The retiree component of the Partnership for Giving (P4G) program has provided retirees of Merck & Co., Inc. (including eligible subsidiaries and acquired entities) and retired members of the Board of Directors of Merck & Co., Inc. with up to \$10,000 in annual matching gift funds toward their personal donations to eligible nonprofit organizations.

CHANGE

Effective January 1, 2018 the **retiree eligibility component** of the P4G matching gift program will no longer be available.

Retiree participants will be provided limited access, as of January 1, 2018, to the Merck Gives Back/CyberGrants site for the purpose of

- 1.) Viewing the status of existing submissions
- 2.) Submitting matching gift requests for donations made during 2017.

Please note: Access for request submission will be available through June 30, 2018.

Q&A

1. Who is affected by the change?

This change will affect all retirees of Merck & Co., Inc. (including eligible subsidiaries and acquired entities) and retired members of the Board of Directors of Merck & Co., Inc.

2. When will the change become effective?

The change will be effective January 1, 2018.

The current \$10,000 annual retiree limit will remain unchanged until December 31, 2017.

3. What will be the last date that retirees can submit matching gift requests for donations made in 2017?

Access to the Merck Gives Back P4G site (<http://www.cybergrants.com/merck/merckgivesback>) will remain available to retirees through the first six (6) months of 2018, until **June 30, 2018**.

IMPORTANT: Participants are provided 180 days from the date of the donation to enter their matching gift requests. This 6-month access is to allow for matching gift request submissions **for donations made in 2017**.

4. How much time does the nonprofit organization have to confirm my donation?

- Nonprofit organizations will be provided one year (365 days from the “gift request creation date”) to confirm donations via the online system.
- Matching funds will continue to be distributed beyond the January 1, 2018 effective date to accommodate the confirmation receipt timeframe for eligible matching gift requests toward 2017 donations.

SUPPORT QUESTIONS

5. Where can I find additional information on the program and this change?

FAQs and any additional information related to this change will continue to be posted on

- The Merck Gives Back P4G site (<http://www.cybergrants.com/merck/merckgivesback>)
- The “[MerckConnections](https://www.merckconnections.com/login/LogInHome.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fdefault.aspx)” website for Merck and Schering-Plough retirees (<https://www.merckconnections.com/login/LogInHome.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fdefault.aspx>)

6. Where do I go to enter a request for a match of a 2017 donation or to check the status of an existing request?

Retiree access to request a match is available through the Merck Gives Back P4G site, at <http://www.cybergrants.com/merck/merckgivesback>

7. Who do I contact for support for my Matching Gift requests?

The link to the **Partnership for Giving Guidelines** is available on the Merck Gives Back P4G site, at <http://www.cybergrants.com/merck/merckgivesback>

Support for matching gift requests will remain available through the Merck Gives Back system:

Support Phone: 855-266-6774

Support Email: merckgivesback@cybergrants.com