



AMERICAN BENEFITS COUNCIL

Benefits Briefing

Employee Benefit Plans and Cybersecurity

Tuesday, March 28, 2-3 p.m. ET

The **American Benefits Council** will host a **Benefits Briefing** webinar on Tuesday, March 28, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time, to discuss cybersecurity risk, implications of a breach, and risk management strategy for benefit plans.

Jan Jacobson, *senior counsel, retirement policy*, will moderate the webinar and facilitate a discussion regarding the current cybersecurity environment and considerations for benefit plan cybersecurity strategy. The risk to plan sponsors is significant given the sensitive individual data that is shared across multiple parties. She will be joined by [Deborah Tully](#) of *Pine Cliff Consulting*, [Alan Brill](#) of *Kroll*, and [Doug Peterson](#) of *Empower*.

We will take questions from webinar participants throughout the session and attempt to answer as many as possible. Members are encouraged to [submit questions for the webinar in advance](#).

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Background:

Cybersecurity is a daily headline. Cybersecurity and cyber theft at length has been a subject of discussion and concern at Council's Policy Board of Directors meetings. At several ERISA Advisory Council (EAC) meetings, Council member companies provided suggestions on how to improve employee data security, including standards for information exchange as well as for formatting data (see [June 5, 2016, Benefits Byte](#) and the [August 31, 2016 Benefits Byte](#) for more details).

In response to the growing risk of cybersecurity threats against plan sponsors, the EAC presented [recommendations](#) on addressing cybersecurity for retirement and health plans to the Department of Labor (DOL) in November of 2016.

For questions related to registration – *If you have colleagues at your organization who would like to participate in this session, but do not regularly receive Council materials, please contact [Deanna Johnson](#), director, membership, [Mary Lindsay](#), receptionist, or [Sondra Williams](#), manager, member and staff engagement, at (202) 289-6700.*



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