

## **Protecting Inactive Accounts**

Like you, we take account security very seriously at BPAS. Our goal is to provide the most secure environment possible while minimizing the administrative burden on clients.

A key issue for plan sponsors today is the matter of **inactive accounts**, where the participant has never actually logged on, provided an email address, or taken an active role in managing the account. **Recordkeepers across the industry are focusing on inactive accounts, since they can be an ideal target for fraudsters.** 

In addition to our ongoing campaign to obtain participant email addresses from plan sponsors, we are asking you to help mitigate this risk posed by inactive accounts. **Here's what we are asking you to do:** 

- Login to the plan sponsor site at bpas.com (if you don't have login credentials, please contact your BPAS Plan Consultant).
- In the Resource Center/Actions Items tab, you'll find a report called, "Participants who have never logged in."
- View this Excel report to see the list of participants in your plan who have never logged in to their account.
- Share the Inactive Account communication with these participants and ask them to login to their BPAS account and provide the needed information.
- If you would like BPAS to assist with mailing this communication to participants, please visit bpas.com/options for mailing service details.



To protect account security, BPAS uses a convention to suspend logins for inactive accounts after a certain period of time. Once online access is suspended, participants will need to call BPAS Customer Service at 1-866-401-5272. Our Customer Service team will use a variety of techniques to authenticate identity and restore account access.

## As always, please contact your BPAS Plan Consultant with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your attention to addressing inactive accounts to provide broader account security for everyone.

