

# Your benefits are valuable

## Why take the risk?

If you leave your current employment, any insured benefits you have through opted into [Life & Disability Benefits] will cease. This means that, unless you have insurance elsewhere, you and your family will not be protected in the event of your death, disability or illness.

If you want to maintain your insurance cover, the insurer may provide you with an opportunity to purchase your own insurance for an amount up to your previous level of cover.

## Retain your insurance via the continuation option

A continuation option allows you to transfer the group insurance to a policy of your own without having to complete extensive paperwork or having to provide detailed evidence of your current health. This simple process allows you to continue the insurance you have held whilst being an employee at the University.

When leaving employment, your university voluntary workplace insurance policy may provide you with an opportunity to continue your own insurance for:

- Life insurance; and/or
- Income Protection and/or Critical Illness insurance.

## Act promptly

The continuation option is only available for a short period of time after you leave your the University. Generally, this period may be as little as only 30 days, with a maximum period of 60 days depending on the insurer.

The information required must be received by Mercer Marsh Benefits™ within the availability period in order to allow us to advise the insurer. If this period has expired, a continuation option will no longer be available.

So the time to act is now!

<https://nz.mercermarshbenefits.com/universities/contops.html>



## Alternatively send the following details to Mercer Marsh Benefits™

Email: [continuationoptions.nz@mercermarshbenefits.com](mailto:continuationoptions.nz@mercermarshbenefits.com)

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Name	
Address	
Phone (daytime)	
Email	
Date of Birth	/ /
Gender	
Current employer	
Date leaving current employment	/ /
Reason for leaving (ie, resignation, retirement, redundancy)	
Name of new employer (if applicable)	
New occupation (if applicable)	
Salary under new occupation	\$
Have you smoked in the last 12 months?	Yes No

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### For further information

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