# **Updates on Fringe and Voluntary Benefits – SWBA Conference**

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## The world is changing faster than ever...

#### **Workforce trends**



Of all age groups, millennials, or "Generation Go," are the most likely to quit a job because of substandard technology. 82% said that workplace technology would influence their choice.

#### **Technology and transformation**



In 2017, almost **50% of organizations** plan to adopt mobile-enabled human resources (HR) processes – a significant increase from 13% in 2014.

#### Workforce expectations and engagement



By 2025, 75% of the world's workforce will be millennials
75% of millennials want the ability to work flexibly and still be on track for a promotion.

#### Workforce mobility and enablement



By 2020, it is expected that in the workforce 1 in 4 organizations will be at least 30% contingent workers.



72% of executives said the need for globally mobile employees will increase during the next 2 to 3 years.



## Fringe/Voluntary Benefits

- Most large employers offer a complete suite of core benefits where employers provide subsidy for certain coverages
- Voluntary benefits continue to be popular among employers to increase value, while managing costs:
  - Accident/Critical illness
  - Individual disability
  - Whole/Universal life
  - Legal benefits
  - Discount purchasing
  - Identity theft
  - LTC
  - Investment advice
  - Auto/home insurance
  - Hospital indemnity
  - Pet insurance
  - Financial advice
- Other benefits include student loan assistance, education assistance, flexible work arrangements, etc.



### **Parental Leave**

## Parental Leave has increased significantly between 2016-2018 for employers with 10,000+ employees

Maternity Leave	26% → 35%
Paternity Leave	21% → 29%
Adoption Leave	20% → 28%
Paid Foster Child Leave	13% → 21%
Surrogacy Leave	6% → 12%

Increased organization commitment and engagement

Opportunities for colleagues covering for employees on parental leave to learn new skills

Lower incidence of maternal depressions Reduction in healthcare cost due to higher rates of breastfeeding, which promotes infant health

Data source: 2018 Employee Benefits (SHRM)