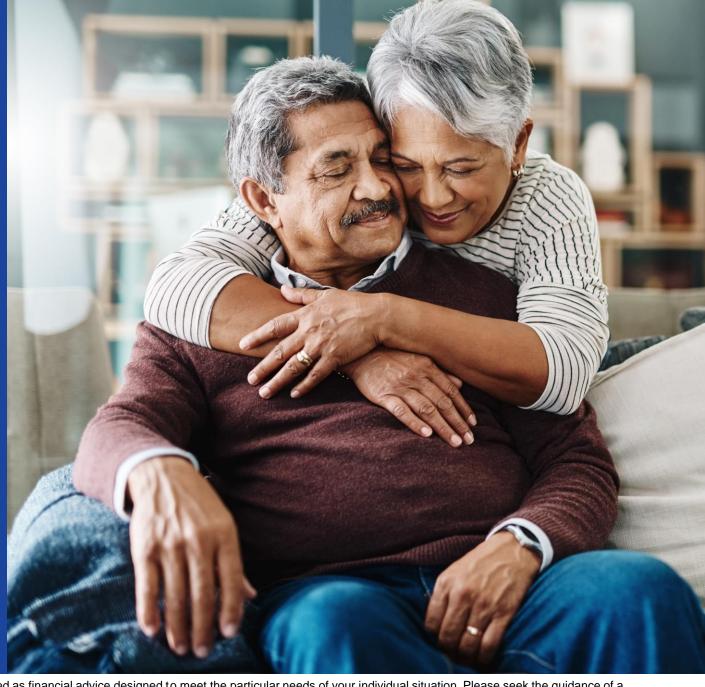
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# Tax Efficient Retirement Strategies: Making the Most of Your Money in Retirement

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# Various Sources of Income in Retirement

- Social Security
- Employer-sponsored plan or IRA
- Other personal savings
- Pension Plan
- Brokerage accounts
- Home Equity
- Continued Work

## Agenda

- 1. The Various Faces of Post-Retirement Risk
- 2. The "Tax" Buckets Not All Retirement Savings are Created Equal
- 3. Social Security
- 4. Conventional Drawdown Strategies and Tax Risk
- 5. Strategies to Enhance Retirement Income

# What is **Post-Retirement Risk?**

Any and all potential risks to financial security that an individual might encounter after retiring. A risk or risks that could cause unexpected costs or lower income in retirement. – Investopedia

#### Financial Risk:

- Inflation
- Market
- Sequence of Returns



www.investopedia.com/terms/p/post-retirement-risk.asp, Nov. 2019

## Post-Retirement Risk – Health Care Expenses

- 65-year-old couple = \$369,000 in health care costs
- o 250% higher at age 85

https://assets.milliman.com/ektron/Retiree health cost estimates supporting information.pdf https://www.investopedia.com/terms/p/post-retirement-risk.asp Nov 2019

## **Post-Retirement Risk - Longevity**

Longevity Risk – The risk of outliving your assets

- Many retirees spend more time in retirement than they do saving for it
- Average life expectancy for a 65-year-old male = 84 years
- Average life expectancy for a 65-year-old female = 86.6 years
- The risk of living a long time is a risk MULTIPLIER

## Post-Retirement Risk – Changes to Public Policy

Public Policy Risk – Legislative changes that can affect taxes and sources of income in retirement

- Social Security Sustainability
- Medicare
- Tax Law Changes (SECURE Act, CARES Act)

#### **How Sources of Retirement Income are Taxed**

Source	Tax Consequences
401(k)	Ordinary Income*
IRA	Ordinary Income*
Social Security	As much as 85% taxed as ordinary income*
Bank Accounts/CDs	Ordinary Income*
Roth IRA	Qualified Distributions – Tax-Free
Permanent Life Insurance Loan	Tax-Free
Home Equity	Tax-Free
Wages	Ordinary Income*
Stocks and Mutual Funds	Capital gains rates upon sale on profit**

<sup>\*</sup>based on your tax bracket \*\*ordinary income on dividends

## Tax Buckets – Not All Types of Retirement Savings are Created Equal

# Taxable (Pay as You Go)

Stocks and Bonds

Mutual Funds

**Bank Savings** 

**CDs** 

Money Market

# Tax-Deferred (Pay Later)

IRAs, SEP, SIMPLE

**Qualified Plans** 

SEP IRAs

**Annuities** 

**Pension Plans** 

401(k)

# Tax-Free (Never Pay)

Roth IRA

Roth 401(k)

Cash Value Life Insurance

Municipal Bonds

## Social Security - America's Pension

- In 2020, nearly 65 million Americans will collect Social Security benefits
- Average monthly benefit for retired workers: \$1,503 per month
- 9 out of 10 individuals age 65 or older collect benefits
- 50% of married couples and 70% of unmarried people rely on Social
   Security for 50% or more of their income
- Went from being insurance for people living too long to a program that many Americans rely on in retirement

https://www.ssa.gov/news/press/factsheets/basicfact-alt.pdf

# Social Security and Other Sources of Retirement Savings

Source of Retirement Income	Exposes Social Security Benefits to Taxation
Traditional IRA	Yes
401(k)	Yes
Pension	Yes
Roth IRA*	No
Roth 401(k)*	No
Municipal Bond Interest	Yes
Loan from Cash Value Life Insurance	No
Stocks, Bonds, Mutual Funds	Yes

<sup>\*</sup>Qualified distributions that have been held for five years and met a qualifying event of 59 ½, death, disability, or first-time home purchase.

### The Potential Ripple Effect of Taxes on Retirement Income

Pre-Tax Retirement Plans and Tax Risk:

- Exposure of Social Security benefits to taxes
- Higher Medicare premiums
- Less spendable income
- Less to leave to heirs

# Conventional Drawdown Strategies and Tax Risk

#### The Three D's: Defer, Deduct, Delay

In the accumulation phase:

- Defer Taxes
- Deduct Always
- Delay Paying Taxes



In the distribution phase:

- Taxable First
- Tax-Deferred Second
- Tax-Free Third

#### **Strategies to Enhance Retirement Income**

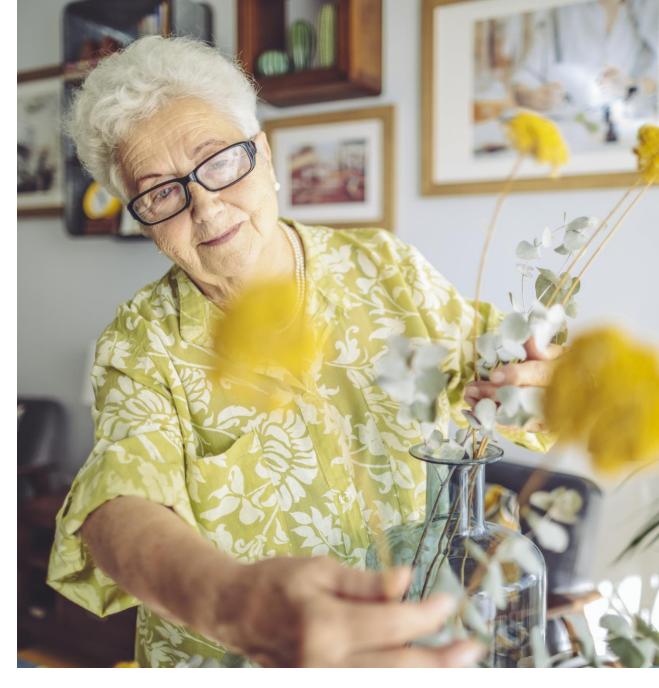
**Strategy #1:** Consider delaying Social Security claiming and drawing down qualified savings first

**Strategy #2:** Consider Roth IRAs/Conversions

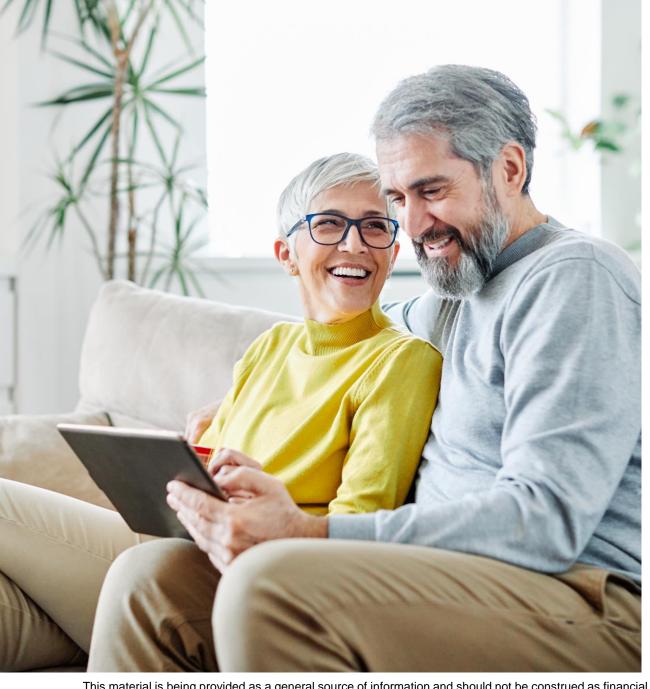
**Strategy #3:** Cash Value Life Insurance

**Strategy #4:** Tax advantage of Health Savings

Accounts (HSAs)



<u>www.investopedia.com</u> Per Stirpes vs. Per Capita, September 2019. https://www.investopedia.com/terms/p/perstirpes.asp



#### **Final Thoughts**

- Plan now for the various post-retirement tax risks that you could face in the future
- Consider diversifying your retirement savings into buckets
- Carefully consider how other sources of income could impact your Social Security benefits
- Have contingency plans in place to mitigate the "what if?" scenarios
- Work with a financial professional who understands your needs and goals
- Consider consulting your team of advisors (financial, tax, and legal professionals)