

## **One Minute Memo**°



## **IRS Announces 2013 Inflation-Adjusted Benefit Limits**

The Internal Revenue Service has announced cost-of-living adjustments applicable to dollar limitations for retirement plans and other benefits for 2013.

|   | 2012 Limits | 2013 Limits |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| 401(k)/403(b) Contributions <sup>1</sup>  | \$17,000    | \$17,500    |
| 457(b) Limit <sup>1</sup>   | \$17,000    | \$17,500    |
| Catch-up Contributions <sup>1</sup>   | \$5,500     | \$5,500     |
| Compensation Limit <sup>2</sup>   | \$250,000   | \$255,000   |
| Highly Compensated Employees <sup>3</sup>   | \$115,000   | \$115,000   |
| Key Employee Officer Compensation <sup>2</sup>  | \$165,000   | \$165,000   |
| Maximum Annual Benefit  | \$200,000   | \$205,000   |
| Defined Benefit Plan⁴   |             |             |
| <b>Maximum Annual Contribution</b> Defined Contribution Plan <sup>4</sup>             | \$50,000    | \$51,000    |
| ESOP Limits   | \$200,000   | \$205,000   |
| Dollar limit for determining lengthening of 5-year period <sup>4</sup>                |             |             |
| Dollar amount for determining max. amount subject to 5-year distribution <sup>4</sup> | \$1,015,000 | \$1,035,000 |
| Maximum SIMPLE contribution   | \$11,500    | \$12,000    |
| FICA Wage Base⁵   | \$110,100   | \$113,700   |
| Health Savings Accounts   |             |             |
| High deductible health plan (HDHP) – minimum annual deductible                        |             |             |
| Individual coverage   | \$1,200     | \$1,250     |
| Family coverage   | \$2,400     | \$2,500     |
| HDHP – maximum out-of-pocket limit  |             |             |
| Individual coverage   | \$6,050     | \$6,250     |
| Family coverage   | \$12,100    | \$12,500    |
| HSA contribution  |             |             |
| Self-only coverage limit  | \$3,100     | \$3,250     |
| Family coverage limit   | \$6,250     | \$6,450     |
| Catch-up contributions (age 55 or older)  | \$1,000     | \$1,000     |

<sup>1.</sup> Calendar year limitation

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<sup>2.</sup> For plan years beginning in the calendar year.

<sup>3.</sup> For compensation received that year for current year testing, or in the look-back year for prior year testing (i.e., the \$115,000 limit will apply when 2012 or 2013 is the look-back year).

I. Applicable for the calendar year and limitation years that end within such calendar year.

<sup>5.</sup> Calendar year limitation for FICA withholding purposes and for plan years beginning in the calendar year for retirement plan purposes.