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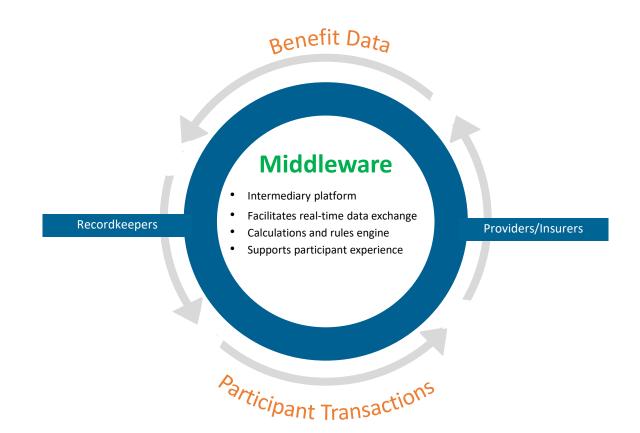
Recordkeeper Services

- Multi-Product Access Middleware platforms offer varied product options from multiple providers to address the needs of all plan sponsors, a pre-requisite for many large recordkeepers.
- Single Point of Integration Middleware platforms support distribution/servicing of multiple guaranteed products in the and managed account offerings.
- Holistic Participant Experience and Servicing Strategy –
 Companion participant micro-sites and APIs support
 centralized presentation of benefits, education and
 transaction activity minimizing recordkeeping burdens.
- Program Oversight and Management Centralizing the servicing and oversight of multiple in-plan annuity products through a middleware platform provides recordkeepers with a central contact to address all transaction and processing questions that arise in a daily recordkeeping environment.

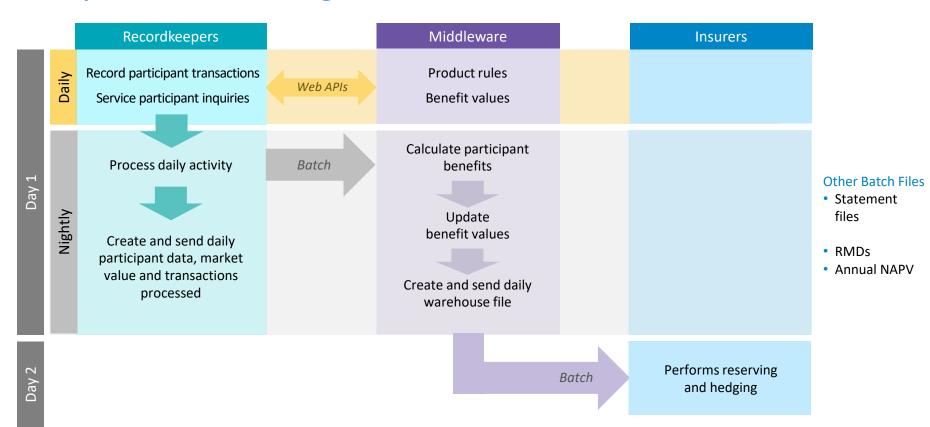


Middleware
platforms eliminate
complexity and
enable the servicing
of retirement income
products across a
network of
recordkeepers and
product providers.

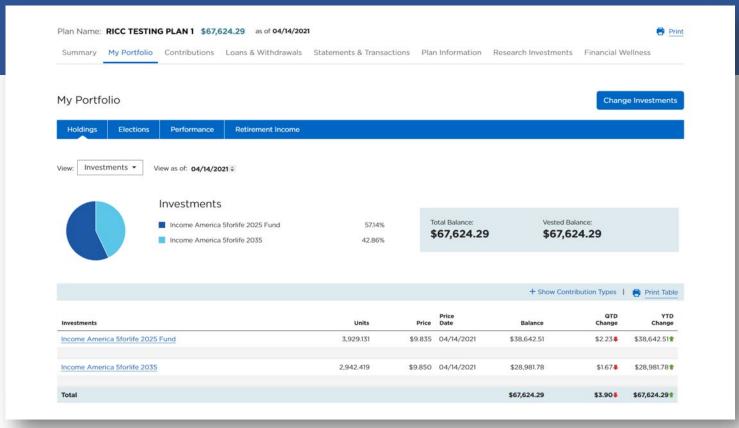
Middleware Platform



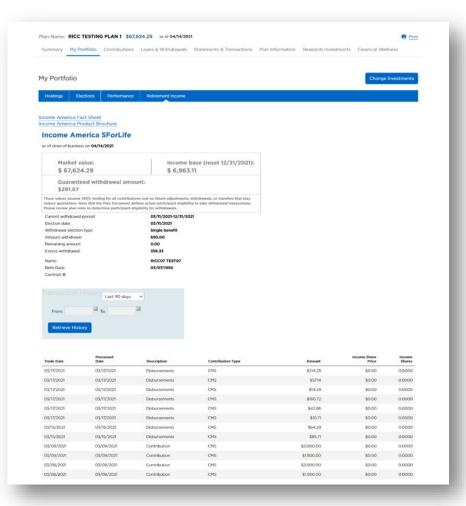
Daily Data Processing

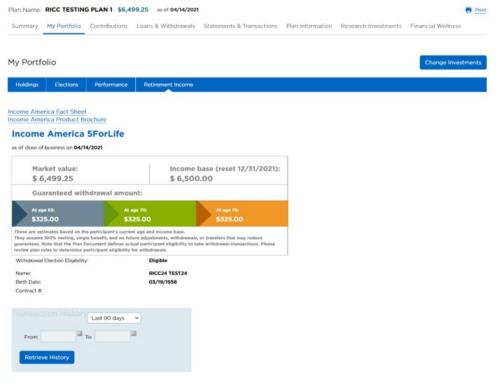


Retirement Income tab appears in participant website for plans offering retirement income products utilizing middleware APIs.



Retirement Income – Withdrawal Phase
Tab presents current market value,
income base, income election, and
withdrawal information from
middleware platform so participant has
complete benefit picture.





Trade Date	Processed Date	Description	Contribution Type	Amount	Income Share Price	Income Shares
03/17/2021	03/17/2021	Contribution	CMS	\$6,500.00	\$0.00	0.0000
03/17/2021	03/19/2021	Contribution	CMS	\$-6,500.00	\$0.00	0.0000
03/17/2021	03/19/2021	Contribution	CMS	\$6,500.00	\$0.00	0.0000

Retirement Income – Accumulation Phase

Tab also presents projected withdrawal amounts from middleware for participants in the accumulation phase.

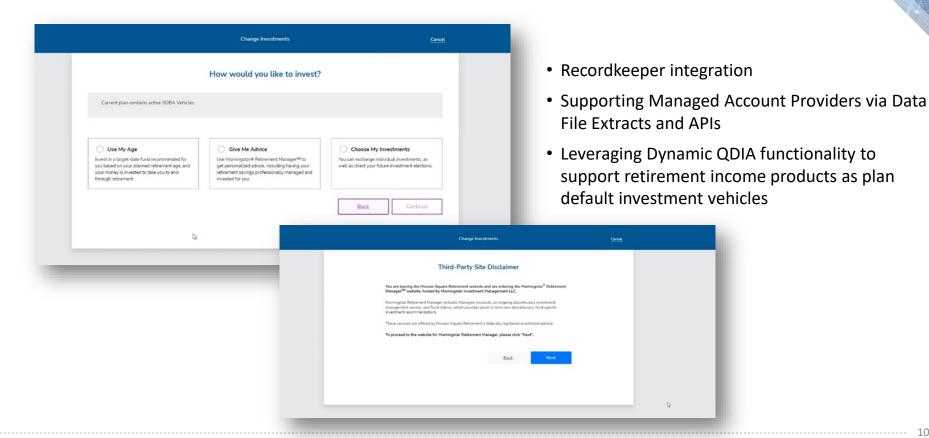
Participant Microsite

- Provides access to education and modeling tools
- Empowers participants to effectively manage assets and guaranteed benefits jointly, including the ability to:
- Access education
- View/model income possibilities
- View combined balances
- Self-Directed, Managed Account and Non-Investor views
- Direct access via SSO from Participant Web
- Centralized presentation of benefits Market Value and Income Benefit Base (IBB)
- Supports transactions like Income Benefit Elections, notifications of income eligibility and installment payout elections.





Managed Account and QDIA Integration



Portability

- Plan Level Portability: If a plan offering a retirement income product moves from Recordkeeper A to Reecodkeeper B and maintains the retirement income product, middleware providers coordinate with recordkeepers to map and preserve participant guaranteed benefit values.
- Participant Transfers: If a participant leaves their current employer and moves their balance to their new employer's plan offering the same retirement income product, middleware providers will coordinate with recordkeepers to map and preserve the participant's accumulated guaranteed benefit values.
- Companion IRA Rollovers: If a companion IRA is offered, participant benefit values can be preserved if the participant rolls over their balance to a companion IRA. Participants who initiate rollovers to companion IRAs can be identified using transaction reason code mapping and middleware providers can coordinate with recordkeepers to obtain rollover details for mapping purposes. In addition, IRA rollover technologies can be leveraged to enable participants to explore companion IRA options at the plan level, open a companion IRA, and facilitate the transfer of their assets and the mapping benefit values to the companion IRA directly.

Outlook

- If participants accumulate savings in plan and then annuitize outside of the plan paying retail annuity fees, they can wipe out a large portion of in plan gains. LIMRA is forecasting for 2024 to be the third consecutive year of record annuity sales for individual annuities. Participants are seeking guaranteed income within their portfolios and currently can only access guaranteed income outside of the plan.
- Strong catalyst for record-keepers to add lower cost retirement income products with better/stronger growth potential (TDF CITS noted) to secure participants' prinicipal and investment earnings relative to market downturns.
- Technology exists today to support in plan retirement income solutions both from a data exchange and participant experience perspective.
- Several larger recordkeepers have launched or are in the process of launching strategic retirement income
 programs. As these programs go live, we anticipate broader adoption across plan sponsors and participants and
 an increase in assets. Plan sponsors at these recordkeepers will have the ability to implement retirement income
 solutions within managed account programs and leverage these solutions as dynamic QDIAs. The majority of
 participants once defaulted do not ever change their investments so if participants are defaulted over 10 years,
 you will increase participant retirement preparedness.

Outlook

- As retirement income solutions become more broadly available, advisors and consultants will become more
 comfortable advising clients to implement retirement income solutions. Advisors and consultants who understand
 the benefits of retirement income solutions have been hesitant to add solutions that are not yet available across
 their partner recordkeepers.
- We are beginning to hear that advisors and consultants are willing to move their plan sponsor clients to recordkeepers that offer the retirement income solutions their clients are seeking.

