

Ill Health Benefits

If I become ill, can I retire?

- Yes, provided the Department of Education accept that you fulfil the scheme's eligibility criteria.

Will my service be increased?

- That will depend upon your ability to undertake other gainful employment.
- For more information see the 'Ill-health retirement benefits' leaflet on the DE website at www.deni.gov.uk

Can I return to teaching?

- Yes, but if you do your pension will cease.

Can I start another job?

- That will depend upon your illness and the level of ill health retirement that is awarded.



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How do I apply?

- Your employer should provide you with occupational health support throughout your illness, which should include considering the options for different working patterns or discussing whether a more suitable job is available.
- If you decide to apply, you should complete the ill-health application form (TP5). Part 1 should be completed by the teacher, Part 2 by the reporting doctor and Part 3 by your employer.
- The TP5 form should be returned to Teachers' Pensions Branch by your employer, or by you if you are out of service.

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