Guardian enhances 401(k) portal

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The Guardian Insurance & Annuity Company, Inc., has enhanced its website, 401k.guardianlife.com, to allow small businesses, third-party administrators and participants to better administer and manage their Guardian defined contribution plans.

New features include a dashboard with access to key retirement plan performance statistics, enhanced reporting options, easier navigation and a resource library.

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Individuals are likely to contribute more to their 401(k)s if they know how much their current contributions will provide in future retirement income, according to the recently released <u>Guardian Small Plan 401(k) RetireWell Study 2.0: "What's Working and Not</u> <u>Working for Small Plan Participants</u>."

The new website is intended to reduce the administrative burden on financial professionals, TPAs and plan sponsors by allowing them to review plan data and indicators for a snapshot of the plan at any point in time. The website also offers eDelivery for plan sponsor summary statements and participant quarterly statements.

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