

Stanford Medicine Transportation Services

### **Transportation & Parking News**

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# More Hospital Staff Eligible for 'A' and 'C' Parking Permits

EFFECTIVE TODAY: 'Z' Permits **not** available for staff hired before 1/1/2018



'A' and 'C' parking permits allow staff to park in many convenient parking locations close to the main hospitals

Effective **today**, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, Stanford Health Care and Lucile Packard Children's Hospital employees hired before January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 are eligible to purchase 'A' and 'C' parking permits from Stanford University's online ordering portal.

Previously, 'A' and 'C' parking permits were only available to SHC employees hired before May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013, and LPCH employees hired before August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010. This exciting new eligibility expansion comes from a partnership between hospital and university transportation teams.

## What does this mean for you?

If you were hired by SHC or LPCH before January  $1^{st}$ , 2018:

• You are now be eligible to purchase an 'A' or 'C' parking permit instead of a 'Z' parking permit. You are no longer able to purchase a 'Z' permit.

- Eligible staff can now see the option to purchase an 'A' or 'C' permit in your virtual permit account in the online ordering portal
- If you currently have a 'Z' parking permit that renews monthly, it has now expired
- If you want to park on campus please purchase an 'A' or 'C' permit if you have not already done so

If you were hired **after** January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018:

- You are still eligible for a 'Z' permit, which allows you to park in Hoover Pavilion Garage or Stock Farm Garage
- 'Z' permit parking in Stock Farm Garage has been extended through August 31, 2022

## Questions?

A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document can be viewed here.

### Free parking and alternative transportation options

Take advantage of convenient free staff parking in Menlo Park with the SRI Park & Ride Lot and Shuttle.

The SRI Shuttle connects directly with Lucile Packard Children's Hospital and 500 Pasteur, making it a convenient option for hospital staff.

To learn more about the free SRI Park & Ride Lot & Shuttle, see the flyer here: <a href="http://stanfordmedicinetransportation.org/SRI-Flyer">http://stanfordmedicinetransportation.org/SRI-Flyer</a>

Sustainable transportation options, including free transit passes for eligible commuters and biking are available. For more information about sustainable commuting options, click

here: <a href="https://www.stanfordmedicinetransportation.org/Alternatives">https://www.stanfordmedicinetransportation.org/Alternatives</a>

For a flyer with more information, including a map of 'A' and 'C' parking options, please click the link below.

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## Badge Required with Caltrain Go Pass Effective 1/1/2022

In 2022, all Stanford Medicine Caltrain Go Pass users will need to be prepared to show their staff ID badge along with their Clipper card to Caltrain conductors



If you use a Caltrain Go Pass from Stanford University or Stanford Medicine, you must be prepared to show your employer-issued ID badge along with your Clipper card to Caltrain conductors

Effective January 1st, 2022, Caltrain will require all staff using a Stanford Medicine or Stanford University Go Pass to present their employer-issued ID to train conductors along with their Clipper card.

If you do not present your staff ID badge along with your Clipper card after this date, you may be subject to citation.

Please ensure that you carry your staff ID badge with you any time you are riding Caltrain with a Stanford Medicine Go Pass.

As a reminder, Stanford Medicine Go Pass holders are not allowed to sell or transfer their pass to any other person.

For more information about the free Caltrain Go Pass available to eligible employees, click the link below.

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## Increase in Monthly Transportation Benefits

The federal government has increased monthly pre-tax and tax-free commuter benefits that employees may take to pay for transportation from \$270 in 2021 to \$280 for tax year 2022.



Pre-Tax Commuter Benefits are a great way to save money on your commute - and they just got better!

The federal government has increased the monthly pre-tax commuter benefits limits for 2022. Starting on January 1, 2022, if you use pre-tax dollars to pay for commuter benefits can spend up to \$280 pre-tax for Transit or Vanpool benefits, and up to \$280 pre-tax for Parking benefits.

This is an increase from the \$270 pre-tax limits in 2021!

#### **What are Pre-Tax Commuter Benefits?**

Pre-Tax Commuter Benefits allow you to use pre-tax dollars to purchase Transit, Vanpool, or Parking. By using pre-tax money, you can save an average of 30-40% off your commuting costs!

### Can I Use Pre-Tax Benefits for Parking?

Yes! Below are some common ways you can use pre-tax dollars to pay for your parking costs:

- 'A', 'C', & 'Z' permits:
  - If you use payroll deduction to pay for an 'A', 'C', or 'Z' parking permit, you are already paying with pre-tax dollars. If you're buying a monthly parking permit without using payroll deduction, consider signing up!
- 500P Pasteur Staff Garage:
  - If you pay for a daily permit to park at the Pasteur Staff Garage, you could be using pre-tax dollars to pay for your permit!
- Other parking locations (including parking at Caltrain!)
  - If you pay for any other parking as part of your commute, you might want to consider using pre-tax dollars to pay for your parking expenses

You can sign up for commuter benefits at any time of year. The monthly deadline to sign up for any specific month is the 9<sup>th</sup> of the previous month. That means if you want to sign up for January, you need to sign up by December 9<sup>th</sup> by 8:59pm.

For more information on Commuter Benefits, click the link below.

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## Tired of Paying for Parking at the Main Campus? Try the SRI Park & Ride Lot and Shuttle!

The SRI Park & Ride Lot is conveniently located in Menlo Park, and provides FREE parking and transportation for staff at the main hospital campus. Enjoy easy, free parking and a quick shuttle ride that connects directly to Hoover

Pavilion, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, Blake Wilbur, and 500 Pasteur!

For more information, view the flyer here.

Hospital Transportation Services is here to help if you have any questions. Visit the Hospital Transportation Services <u>website</u>, or reach out via email or phone. The Hospital Transportation Operations Center phone line is operated **24/7**, so you can reach out any time.

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