Study Materials Update—October 2017

This material is required reading for purposes of the CEBS program and the national exams for the new RPA 1 course administered on or after October 15, 2017.

This update covers Chapter 8 of the textbook—Morneau Shepell Handbook of Canadian Pension and Benefit Plans, 16th Edition—and Modules 2 and 3 of the Study Guide (First printing: July 2017).
How to Use This Update

For the textbook and the printed version of the Study Guide:

Keep this update with your study materials. It should be read in conjunction with the assigned reading for RPA 1.

For the online Study Guide:

These updates will be reflected in the online versions of Study Guide Modules 2 and 3.
Textbook

Chapter 8, Page 237, Post-Retirement Death Benefits: Add the following to the end of paragraph 1.

The surviving spouse will receive the pension until he or she dies, regardless of whether that is before or after the end of the 15-year guarantee period. Should the spouse die before the guarantee period expires, the estate will receive any remaining payments.
### Three-Legged Stool of Canada’s Retirement System

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| • Old Age Security (OAS) and Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS)  
  – Universal with some residency requirements  
  – Income tested  
  – Funded from general tax revenues  
• Canada Pension Plan/Québec Pension Plan (CPP/QPP)  
  – Mandatory for all workers  
  – Funded by employer and employee contributions | • Registered pension plans (RPPs)  
• Group Registered Retirement Savings Plans (RRSPs)  
• Deferred profit-sharing plans (DPSPs)  
  – Voluntary  
  – **Funded by employer contributions** | • Registered Retirement Saving Plans (RRSPs)  
• Tax-Free Savings Accounts (TFSAs)  
• Investments (securities, real estate)  
  – Voluntary  
  – Funded by individuals |
Study Guide Module 3

Page 14, Answer to Content Knowledge Review 5.2: Make changes indicated in bold.

If a plan member has a spouse and elects a joint and survivor life annuity where the pension is payable for the retiree's life, the pension continues after the retiree's death in the same or in a lower amount to a surviving spouse. Fenwick will receive $1,500 per month until he dies, regardless of whether that is before or after the end of the 15-year guarantee period. Should Fenwick die before the guarantee period has expired, his estate will receive any remaining payments.

Page 21, Text Commentary: Insert the following text indicated in bold.

Post-Retirement Death Benefits, Text, Page 237

Add to the end of the first paragraph:

The surviving spouse will receive the pension until he or she dies, regardless of whether this is before or after the end of the 15-year guarantee period. Should the spouse die before the guarantee period expires, the estate will receive any remaining payments.