SMALL CAP GROWTH CIT UPDATE + FAQ



As the 3(38) Investment Fiduciary to the Small Cap Growth CIT, it is flexPATH Strategies' ongoing responsibility to monitor performance of the selected investment sub-advisor and conduct thorough due diligence of the management team and any possible changes of the strategy.

The following are key points you may find of interest. Please contact your flexPATH Strategies Sales Representative with questions.

WHAT IS HAPPENING?

Small Cap Growth Fund is currently sub-advised by Victory RS Small Cap Growth.

At the end of March, Victory RS Small Cap Growth will be replaced with Neuberger Berman Small Cap Growth.



REASON FOR THE CHANGE:

The flexPATH Investment Committee has been closely monitoring the performance of Victory RS for over a year. Per our Investment Policy, the fund was flagged for consideration to remove upon being on watchlist for 4 consecutive quarters. After meeting with the Victory RS portfolio management team and examining recent performance metrics, the flexPATH Investment Committee lost confidence that the strategy could meet expectations. As a result, the flexPATH Investment Committee has decided to remove Victory RS as the investment manager and replace with Neuberger Berman. Neuberger Berman was selected after an extensive review of the Small Cap Growth space and the top Scoring investment managers.

NEUBERGER BERMAN

ABOUT NEUBERGER BERMAN SMALL CAP GROWTH:

Seeks to own great small-cap businesses with innovative products and services that are gaining market share

Research-driven Small Cap Growth strategy focused on identifying developing growth stories that they believe are under-owned, under-followed and offer underappreciated catalysts for future growth

Bottom-up fundamental approach that strives to be both active, relative to the benchmark, and well diversified

Led by an experienced and dedicated team, with an average of 25 years of investment experience

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HOW HAS NEUBERGER BERMAN SMALL CAP GROWTH PERFORMED IN THE PAST? 1

	1-Year	3-Year Ann.	5-Year Ann.	10-Year Ann.	Fund Inception
Neuberger Berman Small Cap Growth R6	-24.25	4.35	10.15	12.27	10/20/1998
Russell 2000 Growth Index	-26.36	0.65	3.51	9.20	-
Small Cap Growth Average	-29.07	2.38	5.58	9.57	-



WHAT IS REQUIRED OF YOU

No action is required on the part of the plan sponsor. This is a change to the fund's sub-advisor, and not to the fund being offered in the plan.

As a result, no fund change notice or announcement to plan participants is required.

HOW WILL THIS IMPACT YOUR PARTICIPANTS

No action is required on the part of plan participants. Those invested in the fund today will remain invested in the fund under the new sub-advisor. The sub-advisor change will result in immediate cost reduction – $(0.64\% \text{ today with Victory RS} \rightarrow 0.58\% \text{ with Neuberger Berman}).$

MORE INFORMATION ON NEUBERGER SCG

Small Cap Growth Fund | Neuberger Berman (nb.com)

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