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## Sharad Arora

Manager of OPEB Services

### **Experience**

Sharad is manager of OPEB services at Hooker & Holcombe. He has over 19 years of experience performing postretirement health and welfare valuations and his knowledge in the OPEB arena includes both FASB & GASB requirements. Sharad has consulted on over 150 retiree welfare plans for clients in all industries, with specialization in higher education and municipalities.

In his role, Sharad has developed an in-depth knowledge of various retiree plan designs as well as assisting clients with start-up plans or first time accounting recognition. His experience also includes claims cost analysis, actuarial assumptions and accounting treatments such as curtailments and dispositions. Sharad has worked with multiple clients in the area of modeling and forecasting, as well as performing non-standard actuarial projects including imputed income calculations, cash flow projections and plan comparison studies.

Sharad has been a featured speaker at numerous conferences highlighting topics such as GASB, Valuation ABC's, and OPEB Actuarial Calculation's including: IMN National OPEB Conference in Washington, D.C., NYS GFOA Conference in Albany, and CT GFOA Conference in Cromwell.

### **Education**

Sharad received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from The University of Hartford.

### **Professional Affiliations**

Sharad is an active member of the CT Government Finance Officer's Association (GFOA).