



**COVID-19**

# Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Program

## Are you covered?

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) provides payment to workers not traditionally eligible for unemployment benefits (self-employed, independent contractors, workers with limited work history, and others) who are unable to work as a direct result of the coronavirus public health emergency.

| COVID-19 SCENARIOS   | COVERED | NOT COVERED |
|--|---------|-------------|
| Diagnosed with COVID-19 or with COVID-19 symptoms and seeking diagnosis  | ✓       |             |
| Member of household has been diagnosed with COVID-19   | ✓       |             |
| Providing care for family or household member diagnosed with COVID-19  | ✓       |             |
| Primary caregiver for child unable to attend school or another facility closed due to COVID-19   | ✓       |             |
| Unable to reach place of employment due to an imposed quarantine or because advised by medical provider to self-quarantine due to COVID-19 | ✓       |             |
| Scheduled to commence new employment and cannot reach workplace as direct result of COVID-19   | ✓       |             |
| Became major breadwinner because head of household died from COVID-19  | ✓       |             |
| Quit job as a direct result of COVID-19  | ✓       |             |
| Place of employment closed as a direct result of COVID-19  | ✓       |             |
| Self-employed / Independent Contractors / 1099 filers / Farmers – and affected by COVID-19   | ✓       |             |
| Seeking part-time employment but affected by COVID-19  | ✓       |             |
| With insufficient work history and affected by COVID-19  | ✓       |             |
| Otherwise not qualified for regular or extended UI benefits and affected by COVID-19   | ✓       |             |
| Individuals that can telework with pay   |         | X           |
| Individual receiving paid sick leave or other paid leave benefits (regardless of meeting a category listed above)                          |         | X           |



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