



State of California

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)

Workers who would not traditionally qualify for Unemployment Benefits will be eligible for PUA benefits beginning April 28, 2020. For more information on benefit amounts and eligible time periods please visit:

https://edd.ca.gov/about_edd/coronavirus-2019/pandemic-unemployment-assistance.htm

Who is eligible for PUA?

- You are a business owner, self-employed, independent contractor or gig worker (and are not participating in the UI Elective Coverage Program).
- You don't have sufficient work history or wages during the last 18 months to establish a regular UI claim.
- You received an offer to start a job that was cancelled or postponed due to COVID-19.
- You have exhausted your regular Unemployment Benefits, but remain unemployed or partially unemployed as a result of COVID-19.

What are the COVID-19 related reasons for collecting PUA?

- You have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or you are seeking a diagnosis for symptoms.
- A health care provider has advised you to self-quarantine due to COVID-19 concerns.
- A member of your household has been diagnosed with COVID-19.
- You are providing care for someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19.
- School or child care for your dependent child is closed due to COVID-19.
- You had to quit your job as a result of COVID-19.
- Your place of employment closes, or you are unable to reach your place of employment due to COVID-19
- You are self-employed or an independent contractor and COVID-19 is limiting your ability to find or continue your customary work.

The EDD starts accepting applications online April 28, 2020. For more info go to:

https://edd.ca.gov/about_edd/coronavirus-2019/pandemic-unemployment-assistance.htm

Or

<https://www.labor.ca.gov/pandemic-unemployment-assistance-pua-program/>

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