LOST YOUR JOB DUE COVID-19 RELATED WORK CLOSURES?

GOT SICK OR UNDER QUARANTINE, OR HAVE TO STAY HOME BECAUSE OF SCHOOL CLOSURES?

HAVE NO INCOME DUE TO THE COVID-19 SLOWDOWN BUT WHO HAVEN'T YET OFFICIALLY LAID OFF?

YOU CAN APPLY FOR THE CANADA EMERGENCY RESPONSE BENEFIT (CERB)

What is CERB?

- CERB offers income support for up to 16 weeks to those who lose pay because of the pandemic.
- The CERB will pay out \$2,000 per month for the next 4 months, backdated to March 15th.
- Benefits should be delivered 10 days after you submit your application form. The earliest you could receive benefits is through direct deposit on April 16th (slightly later if by mail).

How do I apply?

- CERB application form will be available on April 6.
- Clients can apply in one of these three ways:
 - 1) by accessing their CRA My Account secure portal: shorturl.at/apsO5
 - 2) by accessing their secure My Service Canada account: shorturl.at/PRVY3
 - 3) by calling a toll free number equipped with an automated application process (number yet to be announced)

DO I QUALIFY FOR CERB?

- CERB will cover employees, contract workers, and self-employed workers.
- You are eligible for CERB if you had \$5,000 in employment income, self-employment income, or maternity or parental leave benefits for 2019 or in the 12-month period preceding the day the application is made.
- You are eligible for CERB **even if you do not quality for EI**, as long as you had \$5,000 in income or benefits in 2019 (see above)

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (EI) AND CERB

- You do not need to reapply if you have already applied for EI: your claim will be automatically moved over to the CERB and they will receive the 16-week benefit. Clients can use their hours to apply for benefits after October 3, 2020.
- If you **do not qualify for EI**, you can qualify for the CERB if you have \$5,000 in employment income, self-employment income, or maternity or parental leave benefits for 2019 or in the 12-month period preceding the day the application is made.
- If you are currently receiving EI benefits and expect them to continue, don't apply for CERB. If your EI benefits end before Oct. 3, you can apply for CERB when those EI benefits cease, if you are unable to return to work due to COVID-19.
- If you continue to be sick or unemployed after October 3, 2020 and you still have enough EI insurable hours, you will still be able to access your normal EI benefits after the 16-week period covered by the CERB.

For more information about CERB: shorturl.at/fqwPZ

IF YOU BELIEVE YOU CONTRACTED COVID-19 WHILE AT WORK, YOU CAN APPLY FOR WORKPLACE SAFETY AND INSURANCE BOARD (WSIB) BENEFITS:

- you may file a claim to determine if you are eligible for WSIB coverage which is under provincial jurisdiction through the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board
- Call 1-800-387-0750 for more information or file Form 6 online or directly to the WSIB.
- This is the form: shorturl.at/blqRS

You have rights related to Covid-19 under the Employment Standards Act, the Human Rights Code, the Occupational Health and Safety Act, and the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act.

FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT CONTACT TNO



