

COVID-19 SCENARIOS FOR BCRCC MEMBERS

LAI D OFF DUE TO WORK CLOSURES OR CHOOSING TO NOT ATTEND WORK?

- Apply for regular EI benefits
- You will need a required number of hours. See eligibility info [here](#)
- You will need an ROE from your employer saying you've been laid off
- There is a 1-week wait period (so you will not be paid for 1 week) Apply [here](#). Call 1-800-206-7218

LAI D OFF AND INELIGIBLE FOR EI?

- Apply for the [Emergency Support Benefit](#)
- Applications will be available in April by:
 - accessing it on your [CRA MyAccount secure portal](#);
 - accessing it from your secure [My Service Canada Account](#); or
 - calling a toll-free number equipped with an automated application process

UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO SCHOOL CLOSURES?

- Parents with children who require care due to school closures can apply for the [Emergency Care Benefit](#)
- Up to 15 weeks of benefits, up to \$900 bi-weekly
- Applications will be available in April:
 - by accessing it on their CRA MyAccount secure portal;
 - by accessing it from their secure My Service Canada Account; or
 - by calling a toll-free number equipped with an automated application process

DO I QUALIFY FOR WORKSAFE BENEFITS?

- WorkSafe benefits are not available for preventative measures or non-work-related exposure
- Only file a claim for COVID-19 virus infection contracted through work-related exposure
- Call 1-888-967-5377 for more info

UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO SELF-QUARANTINE?

- Apply for [EI sickness benefits](#)
- The one-week waiting period for EI sickness benefits will be waived for new claimants who are quarantined so they can be paid for the first week of their claim
- The requirement to provide a sick note [has been waived](#)
- People claiming EI sickness benefits due to quarantine will not have to provide a medical certificate
- People who cannot complete their claim for EI sickness benefits due to quarantine may apply later and have their EI claim backdated to cover the period of delay
- If you are directly affected by the COVID-19 because you are sick or quarantined and you have not yet applied for EI benefits, please submit your application **before contacting** Service Canada. This will allow them to better serve you and prevent delays in establishing your claim

SELF-QUARANTINED & INELIGIBLE FOR EI?

- Apply for the [Emergency Care Benefit](#)
- It is for:
 - Workers, including the self-employed, who are quarantined or sick with COVID-19 but do not qualify for EI sickness benefits.
 - Workers, including the self-employed, who are taking care of a family member who is sick with COVID-19, such as an elderly parent, but do not qualify for EI sickness benefits.
 - Parents with children who require care or supervision due to school or daycare closures, and are unable to earn employment income, irrespective of whether they qualify for EI or not.
- Up to 15 weeks of benefits, up to \$900 bi-weekly
- Applications will be available in April:
 - by accessing it on their CRA MyAccount secure portal;
 - by accessing it from their secure My Service Canada Account; or
 - by calling a toll-free number equipped with an automated application process

I AM SICK AND HAVE BENEFITS THROUGH MY UNION

- Email benefit@bcrc.ca or call 1-250-383-8116 ext. 2 to confirm you are currently covered on the BCRCC benefit plan
- If so, you can apply for short-term disability (STD) through Pacific Blue Cross
- Complete the forms below:
 - [STD form member statement and patient authorization sections](#)
 - [member confirmation of illness form](#)
 - Email the completed forms to benefit@bcrc.ca or mail it to 210-2750 Quadra St, Victoria, BC V8T 4E8
- PBC is currently waiving the waiting period and is requesting members with a clinical diagnosis to complete a Plan Member Confirmation of Illness Form in place of a formal physician's statement. [Pacific Blue Cross's COVID-19 page](#).

I AM SICK AND DON'T HAVE BENEFITS THROUGH MY UNION OR AM UNSURE IF I HAVE BENEFITS

- If you are unsure if you are currently covered on benefits you can email benefit@bcrc.ca or call 1-250-383-8116 ext. 2 to find out if you are currently covered on the BCRCC benefit plan. If you are on the benefit plan, see above.
- If you are not covered but are eligible for EI, apply for [EI sickness benefits](#)
- If you don't qualify for EI sickness benefits, apply for the [Emergency Care Benefit](#)

THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE COVID-19?

- Complete [this self-assessment tool](#)
- Contact a health care provider
- Call 811 to speak with a registered nurse