

WHICH INCOME SUPPORT OPTION IS RIGHT FOR ME?

Canadian Government Response to COVID-19

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LAID OFF DUE TO A WORK CLOSURE?

Apply for Regular EI Benefit

- Worked between 420 and 700 hours in the past 52 weeks
- Record of employment (ROE) required from your employer
- Mandatory one week waiting period to apply
- Apply online at canada.ca/ei

UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO SICKNESS?

Apply for EI Sickness Benefit

- Workers who are sick, quarantined, or directed to self-isolate
- Worked 600 insured hours in the past 52 weeks
- No longer requires a one week waiting period, Record of Employment (ROE), or sick note
- Apply online at canada.ca/ei

LAID OFF AND INELIGIBLE FOR EI?

Apply for Canada Emergency Response Benefit

- Workers who are not being paid because there is currently not enough work and their employer has asked them not to come to the workplace
- Taxable benefit of \$2,000 a month for up to 4 months
- Application process will begin the first week of April 2020
- Apply online through your CRA MyAccount or, Service Canada account

SELF-QUARANTINED AND INELIGIBLE FOR EI?

Apply for Canada Emergency Response Benefit

- Workers who are quarantined or sick with COVID-19, or are caring for a family member who is sick with COVID-19
- Taxable benefit of \$2,000 a month for up to 4 months
- Application process will begin the first week of April 2020
- Apply online through your CRA MyAccount or, Service Canada account

UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO SCHOOL CLOSURES?

Apply for Canada Emergency Response Benefit

- Parents of children who require care due to school closures
- Taxable benefit of \$2,000 a month for up to 4 months
- Application process will begin the first week of April 2020
- Apply online through your CRA MyAccount or, Service Canada account

WHAT ELSE CAN I DO TO HELP MY INCOME?

Delay Income Tax Payments

- The Canada Revenue Agency is allowing taxpayers to defer payments until June 1, 2020
- Applies to tax balances due, as well as instalments
- The CRA encourages individuals who receive GSTC or the Canada Child Benefit not to delay

WHAT CAN CANADIAN BUSINESS OWNERS DO?

The government is quickly creating new funding programs to help financially support Canadian SMEs. Register for one of our upcoming COVID-19 Support for Canadian Businesses webinars to learn more.

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