

# UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (PEUC) BENEFITS APPLICATION

Your regular Unemployment Compensation (UC) benefits expired or will expire soon. After the claim expires, you may use this application to apply for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), a temporary federal program that provides thirteen (13) additional weeks of unemployment benefits to qualified individuals whose regular UC benefits exhausted July 6, 2019 or later.

You cannot apply in advance. Individuals must wait for their UC benefits to expire, first.

## Who needs to apply?

**Individuals who are still within their 1-year UC benefit year should** not apply. After you are paid the balance of your UC benefits, the department automatically adds the 13 weeks of benefits for you.

**Individuals whose UC benefit year expired must apply.** An individual can receive a maximum of 13 weeks of PEUC. You cannot receive an additional 13 weeks at a later time or from another claim.

### How do I apply?

### It is best to apply for PEUC benefits online: www.uc.pa.gov

For individuals without internet access, complete the application on the reverse of this form and mail to: L&I Office of UC Benefits, Harrisburg UCSC, 651 Boas St., 15th floor, Harrisburg, PA 17121-0751.

### What happens next?

Financial determination: You will receive a PEUC determination in the mail.

Eligibility review: The department will review other eligibility issues and contact you, if needed.

Biweekly filing: You must continue filing biweekly in the same manner as you did for regular UC.

- **Individuals who are auto-setup:** Continue biweekly filing. If you were paid for just one week the last time you filed for UC benefits, your biweekly cycle has likely shifted and you must start filing biweekly for PEUC the week after you last filed for UC.
- Individuals applying online/paper: Claim weeks are available after staff process your application.
- **Everyone:** it is best to log into the biweekly filing portal each week to see if your PEUC weeks are available for filing. After the first time you file biweekly, proceed filing every other week, thereafter.

You must be unemployed to receive any type of unemployment benefit. If you are working or being paid full time for a week, you are not unemployed and will not be eligible to receive a benefit payment or FPUC payment for the week. If you commit fraud, you are subject to fines and other penalties. UC payments will be matched against the wage records that your employer submits to the Department.

It is fraudulent to receive benefits on two different unemployment programs for the same claim week, with the exception of receiving an FPUC payment in conjunction with another program. Receiving benefits from two programs for the same week will result in an overpayment on your claim.

For more information about the PEUC program and the benefits you may qualify to receive, please visit our website at **www.uc.pa.gov**.

# **PEUC APPLICATION**

I want to apply for Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), and I certify:

- I have read the enclosed pamphlet (UCP-26) explaining the PEUC Program.
- I will only file claims for weeks I am fully or partially unemployed.
- I understand that I am not eligible for PEUC if I am eligible for regular UC in Pennsylvania or any other state.
- I understand that any current eligibility for Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) will be suspended until I exhaust any available PEUC benefits and the total TRA benefits to which I am entitled may be reduced by the maximum amount of PEUC to which I am entitled. I understand that if I am a covered worker for Trade Adjustment Assistance, I must continue to meet all deadlines, including the deadline to enroll in training or obtain or renew a training waiver.
- I am legally authorized to work in the United States.

1. Have you worked in PA since you first filed your application for regular UC?				Yes No
2. Have you worked in any other state since you first filed your application for regular UC?				☐ Yes ☐ No
Complete this Employer info only if you answered YES to #1 or #2. Attach separate sheet, if necessary.				
Employer Name:		Employer Phone:		
Employer		First Day worked:		
Address:		Last day worked:		
Reason for separation (reason you are not working now):	□ Lack of work (full or partial)       □ Discharge/Suspension         □ Voluntary Quit/Leave of Absence       □ Other:         □ Labor dispute (Labor strike or lockout)			
3. Have you filed a UC application in any other state in the last 18 months?  If yes, which state(s)?  In which of those states were you financially eligible?  Have you exhausted all benefits in the other state(s)?  Has your benefit year in the other state ended?  Yes No				
4. Have you worked as a civilian for the federal government during the last 18 months?  If YES, which Agency and Duty Station?				
5. Were you on active duty with the military during the last 18 months?				☐ Yes ☐ No
6. Will/are you receiving, a pension (excluding social security or railroad retirement) or severance from an employer for which you worked during the past 18 months?  Yes No				
By my signature, I certify that the information I have provided is true and correct. I realize that the Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation Law provides penalties for making false statements.				
Name:	*Date:	Last 4 digit	s of SSN:	
*Signature:	Phone number:	Best time(	s) to call:	
*We must have your signature or your application will not be processed. Also, date cannot be prior to date of UC exhaustion.				

This shall constitute an application for PEUC for purposes of CARES Act, 2020

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

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