

# Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)

## NEW - Updated Continued Assistance to Unemployed Workers Act of 2020 – PUA Program

- PUA program extended until March 14, 2021. New claims can be filed until week ending March 13, 2021 and claimants with benefit weeks remaining after March 13, 2021 may receive payments through the benefit week ending April 10, 2021 during the phase-out period.
- New limitations on backdating for claims filed on or after December 27, 2020
- Increases the maximum number of PUA weeks available from 39 weeks to a total of 50 weeks to eligible individuals.
- New requirements for individuals to submit documentation of employment or self-employment.
- New FPUC \$300 stimulus added to weekly benefits filed from 12/27/20 to 3/13/21.

### New Documentation Requirement:

Section 241 of the Continued Assistance Act creates a new requirement for individuals to submit documentation substantiating employment or planned employment/self-employment. Individuals who do not provide documentation substantiating employment/self-employment (or planned employment/self-employment) within the required timeframe are not eligible for PUA.

- Filing New Applications for PUA on or after January 31, 2021: Individuals filing a new PUA application on or after January 31, 2021 (regardless of whether the claim is backdated), are required to provide documentation **within 21 days** of application date.
- Filing Continued Claims for PUA: Individuals who have an existing PUA claim as of December 27, 2020, (the enactment date of the Continued Assistance Act) OR who file a new initial PUA claim before January 31, 2021, and who receive PUA on or after December 27, 2020 must provide documentation **within 90 days** of the application date

### Documentation needed to confirm previous income include:

- W-2 or 1099 forms
- Tax returns
- Pay stubs
- Bank receipts
- Billing statements

**Documentation will need to be provided within the PUA application, documentation which has been sent to DETR through other means will not be transferred to PUA.**



## PUA FILING UPDATE

ONLINE:

[www.employnv.gov](http://www.employnv.gov)

OR

**PUA Call Center:  
1-800-603-9681**

**Operating Hours:  
M-F 8 AM – 8 PM**

### REMINDERS:

**File weekly for PUA benefit**

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**ELIGIBILITY REMINDER: Covered Individuals include:**

- Self-employed
- 1099 contract workers
- Gig workers
- Employees whose wages are not covered by unemployment insurance
- Employees who have not earned enough wages or worked enough hours for regular unemployment insurance benefits
- Individuals who were going to start work but could not due to COVID-19 pandemic

**PUA PAYMENTS REMINDER:** The minimum weekly benefit amount for PUA payments in Nevada is \$181 per week. PUA benefits may not be more than the State of Nevada's maximum weekly benefit amount for regular UI benefits which is \$469 per week.

Each claim requires a review for each week of PUA eligibility and will take some time. During the application process, you will have the option to choose between direct deposit, which will process more quickly, or you may choose to receive a new debit card which will take 7-14 days to arrive.

For PUA announcements, resources and updates claimants are encouraged to visit DETR's COVID-19 webpage at: [detr.nv.gov/pua](https://detr.nv.gov/pua)