

DOL issues additional Q&A regarding CARES Act and PUA

The Department of Labor provided operating, financial, and reporting instructions for the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program in UIPL No. 16-20, issued on April 5, 2020. It addressed questions received during a webinar held on the topic, as well as questions submitted through the Department's designated e-mail for COVID-19 UI-related inquiries, in UIPL No. 16-20, Change 1, issued on April 27, 2020.

Additionally, the Department issued UIPL No. 23-20 on May 11, 2020, to remind states of program integrity functions required for the regular UC program and the UI programs authorized by the CARES Act.

UIPL 16-20, Change 2, provides additional questions and answers about the PUA program including benefit entitlement, weekly benefit amounts, self-employed individuals, Peace Corps participants, withholding federal taxes from PUA, corporate shareholders, and work-study participants. (*Employment and Training Administration Advisory System, U.S. Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance Program Letter NO. 16-20, Change 2, July 21, 2020*).