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NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS CHANGES

As of September 4, 2021, the Department of Unemployment Assistance will be changing its policies in accordance with state and federal law

The changes are:

PEUC will end. No weeks of PEUC benefits can be paid after the week ending September 4, 2021

FPUC will end. No weeks of FPUC benefits can be paid after the week ending September 4, 2021

Availability and Work Search exceptions will end. All claimants collecting unemployment benefits must be able, available, and actively seeking full-time work in order to continue to be eligible for benefits because the Department of Unemployment Assistance's (DUA) temporary exceptions to requirements relating to caregivers and part-time work will change.

DUA made two temporary exceptions to its requirements to respond the COVID-19 emergency.

Exception 1. Caregivers who could not accept work because of COVID-19-related closures of schools, camps, and other adult and child care providers were excused from the availability requirement.

Exception 2. Claimants who were only available for part-time work could collect benefits if they were not available for full-time work for a COVID-related reason.

Claimants will only be allowed to limit their availability for part-time employment for the reasons listed in the regulations at 430 CMR § 4.45. COVID-related reasons **will not** be considered good cause for limiting one's availability to part-time after September 4, 2021.

This notice is being sent in accordance with Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, Section 24 (June 16, 2021).

