

UAW REGION 9A

COVID-19 RESOURCE PAGE

FEDERAL LEVEL

1) Helpful Websites

- a. **Center for Disease Control and Prevention** - <https://www.cdc.gov/>
- b. **World Health Organization** - <https://www.who.int/>
- c. **Dept. of Health and Human** - <https://www.hhs.gov/>
- d. **2-1-1 United Way** - <http://211.org/services/covid19>
- e. **Department of Justice** - <https://www.justice.gov/>
 - i. to report fraud regarding COVID-19 - <https://www.justice.gov/coronavirus>
- f. **FEMA** - <https://www.fema.gov/coronavirus>
- g. **Occupational Safety and Health Administration** - <https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/>
- h. **Food and Nutrition Service** - <https://www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/pandemic/covid-19>
- i. **AFL-CIO** - <https://aflcio.org/covid-19>
- j. www.coronavirus.gov/

2) FEDERAL EMERGENCY PAID SICK LEAVE

a. H.R. 6201, FAMILIES FIRST CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE ACT - EMERGENCY PAID SICK LEAVE

i. Bill Language

1. <https://www.congress.gov/116/bills/hr6201/BILLS-116hr6201enr.pdf>
2. Signed into law on March 18, 2020, but the bill does not go into effect until 15 days later on April 2, 2020
3. DOL to issue rules and regulations between now and April 2nd for further guidance

ii. 3 Page FAQ

1. https://www.nhmunicipal.org/sites/default/files/uploads/documents/2020-03-17_emergency_paid_sick_family_leave_fact_sheet_enrolled_final.pdf

iii. 8 Page Breakdown of the Bill

<https://appropriations.house.gov/sites/democrats.appropriations.house.gov/files/Families%20First%20summary.pdf>

iv. Summary Charts

1. https://actionnetwork.org/user_files/user_files/000/040/323/original/COVID_Federal_Benefit_Grid_031920_Formatted_FINAL.pdf?link_id=0&can_id=64449e891cc164b325e030a5f1bd9302&source=email-labor-lobbyists-nys-dol-guidance-on-paid-sick-leave&email_referrer=email_754669&email_subject=labor-lobbyists-state-federal-quarantine-leave-programs
2. <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employee-paid-leave>
3. **Please Note:** For emergency paid sick leave for a minor child whose school or childcare provider is not operating, a “minor child” is defined in the bill as 18 years or younger.

MAINE

1) **Helpful Websites**

- a. **Governor Janet Mill** - <https://www.maine.gov/governor/mills/covid-19>
 - i. Executive Order signed March 18, 2020 - <https://www.maine.gov/governor/mills/sites/maine.gov/governor.mills/files/inline-files/Executive%20Order%20to%20Protect%20Public%20Health%20.pdf>
 - ii. You can navigate through this page to other sites with important information.
- b. **Maine Department of Labor** - <https://www.maine.gov/labor/>
 - i. **Unemployment benefits** - Gov. Mills signed an emergency bipartisan bill that expands eligibility for unemployment benefits to people affected by COVID-19 but have not permanently lost their job. Here is the text of the bill. http://legislature.maine.gov/bills/getPDF.asp?paper=SP0789&item=1&sum=129&link_id=0&can_id=60ccfb7982376839f55efe066411078b&source=email-protecting-workers-during-the-covid-19-crisis&email_referrer=email_754137&email_subject=protecting-workers-during-the-covid-19-crisis
 - ii. The measure, which will be effective for the duration of the Governor’s state emergency declaration, allows workers to be eligible for benefits if they are under a temporary medical quarantine, are staying out of work on uncompensated leave as a result of COVID-19 or have been laid off as a result of the state of emergency and are expected to return to work once the emergency closure is lifted.
 - iii. The new law also waives the one-week waiting period to receive benefits for workers who have been laid off due to the state emergency. Workers who must take a temporary leave of absence due to a social isolation requirement, a medical quarantine or need to care for a family member

as a result of COVID-19 will not be disqualified from receiving UI benefits under the new law.

- iv. To file for unemployment, go to the Department of Labor's website - https://www.maine.gov/labor/news_events/article.shtml?id=2243308
 1. Unemployment FAQ by Maine DOL - <file:///C:/Users/dwright/Downloads/covidfaqandui.pdf>
- c. **Maine AFL-CIO website** - <https://maineafcio.org/>. COVID-19 Pandemic Resource Page
- d. **Maine 2-1-1** - <https://211maine.org/>. The first page links you to COVID-19 information specifically for Maine. Also links to Department of Health and Human Services which has a lot of resource information for food and shelter assistance, etc.
- e. **Food Assistance** - <https://waysidemaine.org/community-resources>; <https://www.waysidemaine.org/community-resources>
- f. **United Way** - <https://www.unitedwaysofmaine.org/covid/> - shows listing of different locations throughout the state.
- g. **Maine Equal Justice** - <https://maineequaljustice.org/people/covid-19-resources/> An excellent resource of information on the following topics:
 - i. Health care
 - ii. Unemployment insurance
 - iii. Resource for immigrants
 - iv. Housing and utilities
 - v. Courts and legal proceedings including evictions
 - vi. Food and financial security
 - vii. Childcare
 - viii. Safety at home
 - ix. Answers to questions
- h. **Energy and Policy Institute** - <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/>. EPI is tracking which utilities are suspending disconnections, as well as regulators that are mandating suspensions. Grouped by state.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

1) Helpful Websites

- a. **Gov. Chris Sununu** - <https://www.governor.nh.gov/>. Cover page lists every single executive order signed to date; there are 10 so far.
 - i. Emergency Order #5 – Access to state unemployment benefits for individuals impacted by COVID-19. <https://www.governor.nh.gov/news-media/press-2020/documents/emergency-order-5.pdf>

- b. **New Hampshire Employment Security** - <https://www.nhes.nh.gov/>. Click here to file for unemployment benefits. Scroll to the middle of the page to check the intake chart for when you can call to open a new claim based on the first letter of your last name.
- c. **New Hampshire 2-1-1** - <http://www.211nh.org/> and <https://www.nh.gov/covid19/index.htm>. The second URL has a lot of information to navigate.
- d. **United Ways of New Hampshire** - <http://www.uwnh.org/>
- e. **Energy and Policy Institute** - <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/>. EPI is tracking which utilities are suspending disconnections, as well as regulators that are mandating suspensions. Grouped by state.

VERMONT

1) Helpful Websites

- a. **Governor Phil Scott** - <https://governor.vermont.gov/>
 - i. Executive Order signed March 13, 2020 - <https://governor.vermont.gov/sites/scott/files/documents/EO%2001-20%20Declaration%20of%20State%20of%20Emergency%20in%20Response%20to%20COVID-19%20and%20National%20Guard%20Call-Out.pdf>
 - ii. You can see subsequent Executive Orders from the home page.
 - iii. There is one COVID-19 link on this home page redirecting visitors to: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/response/infectious-disease/2019-novel-coronavirus>
 - iv. **Vermont Paid Sick Leave Law** - https://labor.vermont.gov/sites/labor/files/doc_library/Earned-Sick-Time-Rules.pdf
- b. **Vermont Department of Labor** - <https://labor.vermont.gov/>
 - i. Establish your Initial Unemployment Insurance Claim located at top of home page. Provides online form to complete and submit claim: <https://appengine.egov.com/apps/vt/dol/unemploymentinsuranceclaim>
 - ii. Employee and Employer Guidance on COVID-19 link: <https://labor.vermont.gov/covid19>
This gives three options to explore: Frequently Asked Questions, Employers and Employees. The Employees section lists phone numbers for claimants who are seeking assistance with their new claims. Frequently Asked Questions answers questions relating to potential eligibility. Employers lists a couple assistance phone lines.

- c. **Vermont Attorney General TJ Donovan** - <https://ago.vermont.gov/covid-19-updates-and-information-from-the-attorney-general/>
 - i. There is COVID-19 link off the home page that takes you to a resource page for Workplace guidance for employees and employers, small businesses, price gouging, scams, landlord-tenant and foreclosures, and utilities.
- d. **Vermont AFL-CIO website** <https://vt.aflcio.org/>
 - i. Prompts visitors to link Protect our Health and Economic Security: tell your senator to pass the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.
- e. **Vermont 2-1-1** <https://vermont211.org/>. There are two links specific to COVID-19.
 - i. A link to the CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>
 - ii. A link to Health Vermont: www.healthvermont.gov/response/infectious-disease/2019-novel-coronavirus
- f. **United Ways of Vermont** - <http://www.unitedwaysvt.org/>
- g. **Energy and Policy Institute** - <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/>. EPI is tracking which utilities are suspending disconnections, as well as regulators that are mandating suspensions. Grouped by state.

MASSACHUSETTS

1) Helpful Websites

- a. **Gov. Charlie Baker** - <https://www.mass.gov/> - on the main page, there is a link “learn more about the Coronavirus.” This takes you to a page full of information, including a listing of all executive orders issued by Gov. Baker.
 - i. **Unemployment Benefits** – on the main page, click on “apply for unemployment benefits”. This takes you to a page that lists information regarding regular UI benefits and unemployment information pertaining to COVID-19. The second link takes you to a new page that lists guidance on who is eligible for emergency unemployment insurance and <https://www.mass.gov/resource/information-on-unemployment-and-coronavirus-covid-19> lists a helpful FAQ and all necessary claims to file a claim.
 - ii. **Massachusetts Paid Sick Leave Law** - https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/09/21/est_faq_1.pdf
- b. **Massachusetts Department of Labor** - <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/departments-of-labor-standards>. Links to COVID-19 information right off the main page.

- c. **Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey** - <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/office-of-attorney-general-maura-healey>. There is a massive amount of resources right off the main page.
- d. **Massachusetts AFL-CIO** - <https://www.massaficio.org/affiliates/covid-19-unemployment-benefits>. Takes you directly to page full of information about applying for unemployment benefits due to COVID-19.
 - i. **Greater Boston Labor Council – COVID-19 resources for union members**
 - 1. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nlhQclJRsf4h5dYN2WBhpHWhapD-iqsZ333TZls2XEO/edit#>
- e. **Massachusetts 2-1-1** - <https://mass211.org/> - updates, emergency orders, and guidance regarding COVID-19.
- f. **United Ways of Massachusetts** - <https://www.unitedway.org/local/united-states/massachusetts#>
- g. **Energy and Policy Institute** - <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/>. EPI is tracking which utilities are suspending disconnections, as well as regulators that are mandating suspensions. Grouped by state.

RHODE ISLAND

1) Helpful Websites

- a. **Gov. Gina Raimondo** – <http://www.governor.ri.gov/> and <https://health.ri.gov/diseases/ncov2019/> for an entire resource page devoted to COVID-19.
 - i. **Unemployment benefits and temporary disability benefit factsheet with links to forms** - <http://www.dlt.state.ri.us/pdfs/COVID-19%20Workplace%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>
 - ii. **Rhode Island Paid Sick Leave Law** - <http://www.dlt.ri.gov/ls/pdfs/HSFWfactsheet.pdf>
- b. **Rhode Island Department of Labor** - <http://www.dlt.state.ri.us/>
 - i. **“Out of work due to COVID-19?”** - <https://dltweb.dlt.ri.gov/UIClaims2013/intro/index.aspx?AC=yes> Click on this link to file a claim for unemployment insurance.
- c. **Rhode Island AFL-CIO** - <https://rhodeislandaficio.org/coronavirus-covid-19> COVID-19 resource page.
- d. **Rhode Island 2-1-1** - <https://www.uwri.org/2-1-1/> - updates, emergency orders, and guidance regarding COVID-19.
- e. **United Ways of Rhode Island** - <https://www.uwri.org/>
- f. **Energy and Policy Institute** - <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/>. EPI is tracking which utilities are suspending

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CONNECTICUT

1) Helpful Websites

- a. **Gov. Ned Lamont** - <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus>- this page has a lot of information regarding COVID-19 and a list of resources towards the bottom of the page.
 - i. **Connecticut's Paid Sick Leave Law** (overview by Ct. Dept. of Labor) <https://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/wgwkstnd/PSL%202014%20revised.ppt>
- b. **Connecticut Department of Labor** - <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/> & <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/UI-online/index.htm>
 - i. **Unemployment Benefits** - <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/DOLCOVIDFAQ.PDF> This is a live document with FAQ's and links to resources and forms to file claims. You can also check these two sites:
 1. Helpful FAQ to use while filing a UI claim. <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/UI-online/unemployedduetocoronavirus.pdf>
- c. **Connecticut Attorney General William Tong** - <https://portal.ct.gov/AG> Link to Gov. Lamont's COVID-19 page is at the top of the webpage.
- d. **Connecticut AFL-CIO** - <https://www.ctaflcio.org/> There is no information specific to COVID-19 listed on their webpage.
- e. **Connecticut 2-1-1** - <https://www.211ct.org/> - they do not have a COVID-19 section on their webpage like in other states, but you can navigate through the page if you need assistance with food, housing, mental health, children and families, legal assistance, basic needs, healthcare, etc.
- f. **United Way of Northeastern and Central Connecticut** - <https://unitedwayinc.org/emergency-response/>
 - i. Mobile food bank in Southeastern Ct. - <https://www.uwsect.org/foodbank/mobile-pantry-distributions>
 - ii. Emergency food programs in Southeastern Ct. - <https://www.uwsect.org/foodbank/food-distribution-sites>
 - iii. Heating assistance in Southeastern Ct. - <https://www.uwsect.org/project-warm>
- g. **United Way of Western Connecticut** - <https://www.uwwesternct.org/covid19resources>
- h. **Energy and Policy Institute** - <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/>. EPI is tracking which utilities are suspending

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NEW YORK

1) Helpful Websites

- a. **Gov. Andrew Cuomo** - <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home> - this page has a lot of information regarding COVID-19 and a list of resources towards the bottom of the page.

i. Benefits Available Under New York State Law

1. https://actionnetwork.org/user_files/user_files/000/040/324/original/COVID_Benefit_Grid_031920_Formatted_FINAL.pdf?link_id=1&can_id=64449e891cc164b325e030a5f1bd9302&source=email-labor-lobbyists-nys-dol-guidance-on-paid-sick-leave&email_referrer=email_754669&email_subject=labor-lobbyists-state-federal-quarantine-leave-programs

- a. Interactive chart covering unemployment insurance, paid family leave, temporary disability insurance, workers' compensation, emergency paid leave due to COVID-19, and emergency unpaid leave. Chart has links directly to sites to file for such benefits.

2. Additional information on NY's Emergency Paid Sick Leave Law for COVID-19

- a. <https://paidfamilyleave.ny.gov/covid19>

- i. A worker is only eligible if they are subject to an order of mandatory or precautionary quarantine or isolation issued by the state of New York, the Department of Health, local board of health, or any government entity duly authorized to issue such an order due to COVID-19.

- ii. Navigate to the bottom of the webpage listed above to view further information regarding eligibility for a worker who is quarantined or if your minor dependent child is under a quarantine order.

- b. There is also information regarding taking care of a family member who contracts COVID-19 and possible eligibility for that worker under New York's Family Leave Law, which is different than the new emergency leave law.

ii. New York City's Paid Sick Leave Law

1. <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/about/paid-sick-leave-FAQs.page>

iii. New York City's GetFoodNYC Food Delivery Program

<https://portal.311.nyc.gov/article/?kanumber=KA-03297>

1. Food delivery program to provide food for COVID-19 vulnerable and food-insecure NY'ers not currently served through existing food delivery programs. Research eligibility requirements.
2. NYC food source:
<https://www.hungerfreeamerica.org/neighborhood-guides-food-assistance>
- iv. **90 day moratorium on mortgages and rent**
<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/know-your-rights#unemployment>
- v. **Utilities – suspend service shutoffs to households during COVID-19**
<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/know-your-rights#unemployment>
- vi. **Cuomo ordered insurance companies to waive co-pays for telehealth visits from your home**
<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/know-your-rights#unemployment>

b. **New York Department of Labor**

i. **Unemployment Benefits -**

https://labor.ny.gov/ui/how_to_file_claim.shtm

1. NY is waiving the 7-day waiting requirement.

IF YOU ARE FILING A NEW UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIM VIA PHONE OR WEB, THE DAY YOU SHOULD FILE IS BASED ON THE FIRST LETTER OF YOUR LAST NAME:

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Last names beginning with A - F	Last names beginning with G - N	Last names beginning with O - Z	Missed your filing day? File on Thursday or Friday.	

IMPORTANT: FILING LATER IN THE WEEK WILL NOT DELAY YOUR PAYMENTS OR AFFECT THE DATE OF YOUR CLAIM, SINCE ALL CLAIMS ARE EFFECTIVE ON THE MONDAY OF THE WEEK IN WHICH THEY ARE FILED.

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c. **New York Attorney General Letitia James -** <https://ag.ny.gov/>

d. **New York AFL-CIO -**

https://nysaficio.org/COVID19?link_id=2&can_id=64449e891cc164b325e030a5f1bd9302&source=email-labor-lobbyists-meeting-will-be-held-as-webex-mtg-

[registration-required-3&email_referrer=email_754999&email_subject=labor-lobbyists-meeting-conference-call-registration-required](#)

i. **New York City Central Labor Council**

1. https://www.nycclc.org/news/2020-03/covid-19-pandemic-resources?link_id=4&can_id=64449e891cc164b325e030a5f1bd9302&source=email-319-clc-delegates-meeting-follow-up-and-additional-resources-2&email_referrer=email_756232&email_subject=321-covid-19-ways-to-help

e. **New York 2-1-1** - <https://211nys.org/>

f. **United Way of New York** - <https://uwnys.org/united-way-ny-covid-19-ny-response/>

i. **Assistance with food, paying bills, utilities**

ii. **United Way of New York City** - <https://unitedwaynyc.org/>

g. **Energy and Policy Institute** - <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/>. EPI is tracking which utilities are suspending disconnections, as well as regulators that are mandating suspensions. Grouped by state.

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