

Urgent Bulletin

Arizona Department of Economic Security
Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

Expiration of Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)

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Program Impact: CA and NA

This Urgent Bulletin is being issued to inform staff that the \$600 Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) program expired in Arizona on July 25, 2020. The final FPUC \$600 payment will be issued in the last week of 07/2020, between 07/27/2020 and 07/31/2020. Therefore, for initial cases, a full month's income should be budgeted for 07/2020.

The FPUC payment received through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act has ended and should not be budgeted starting 08/2020.

The Federal Government is considering an extension of these payments through the Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions (HEROES) Act. But until passed, the FPUC income is considered terminated effective the first pay week of 08/2020. The FAA Policy Support Team (PST) will provide notification should the benefits be approved through the HEROES Act.

Participants may continue to get one of the following Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefit while eligible:

- Regular UI
- Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)
- Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)
- Extended Benefit (EB)

For initial or renewal cases the \$600 FPUC income should be removed for the month of August 2020 and ongoing. For open cases, remove the income when a change report is made that the client is no longer receiving the FPUC income.

When participants are eligible for retroactive FPUC benefits, they will receive the additional \$600 payment for eligible weeks between March 29, 2020, and July 25, 2020, even when the claim is processed after July 25, 2020.

When the income is received as a retroactive payment in August 2020 or in any future month, it is considered as a Lump Sum payment. Key lump sum payments on the LIAS AZTECS screen using the LS Liquid Assets Code.

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