

## COVID-19 SCENARIOS FOR BCRCC MEMBERS

### LAI D OFF DUE TO WORK CLOSURES

- Apply for regular EI benefits
- You will need a required number of hours. See eligibility info [here](#)
- You will need an ROE from your employer saying you've been laid off
- There is a 1-week wait period (so you will not be paid for 1 week) Apply [here](#). Call 1-800-206-7218

### LAI D OFF AND INELIGIBLE FOR EI

- Apply for the [Canada Emergency Response Benefit \(CERB\)](#)
- The CERB will be accessible through a secure web portal in early April, or via an automated line or toll-free number.
- Canadians who are already receiving EI regular and sickness benefits as of today would continue to receive their benefits and should not apply to the CERB. [Learn more.](#)

### I AM SICK AND DON'T HAVE BENEFITS THROUGH MY UNION OR AM UNSURE IF I HAVE BENEFITS

- If you are unsure if you currently have health benefit coverage, you can email [benefit@bccrc.ca](mailto:benefit@bccrc.ca) or call 1-250-383-8116 ext. 2 to find out if you are currently covered on the BCRCC benefit plan. If you are on the benefit plan, see above.
- If you are not covered but are eligible for EI, apply for [EI sickness benefits](#)
- If you don't qualify for EI sickness benefits, apply for the [Canada Emergency Response Benefit \(CERB\)](#)

### DO I QUALIFY FOR WORKSAFE BENEFITS?

- WorkSafe benefits are not available for preventative measures or non-work-related exposure
- Only file a claim for COVID-19 virus infection contracted through work-related exposure
- Call 1-888-967-5377 for more info

### DIRECTED SELF-ISOLATION

- Apply for [EI sickness benefits](#)
- The [one-week waiting period for EI sickness benefits will be waived](#) for new claimants who are quarantined so they can be paid for the first week of their claim
- The requirement to provide a sick note [has been waived](#)
- People claiming EI sickness benefits due to quarantine [will not have to provide a medical certificate](#)
- People who cannot complete their claim for EI sickness benefits due to quarantine may apply later and have their EI claim backdated to cover the period of delay. If you are directly affected by the COVID-19 because you are sick or quarantined and you have not yet applied for EI benefits, please submit your application **before contacting** Service Canada. This will allow them to better serve you and prevent delays in establishing your claim

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### CONSTRUCTION AND COVID-19 SAFETY

- WorkSafe's page on [Construction and COVID-19 Safety](#)
- Workers have the right to [refuse unsafe work](#)

### I AM SICK AND HAVE BENEFITS THROUGH MY UNION

- Email [benefit@bccrc.ca](mailto:benefit@bccrc.ca) or call 1-250-383-8116 ext. 2 to confirm you are currently covered on the BCRCC benefit plan
- If so, you can apply for short-term disability (STD) through Pacific Blue Cross
- Complete the forms below:
  - [STD Form – \(Member Statement & Patient Authorization Sections\)](#)
  - [Member Confirmation of Illness Form](#)
- Email the completed forms to [benefit@bccrc.ca](mailto:benefit@bccrc.ca) or mail it to 210-2750 Quadra St, Victoria, BC V8T 4E8
- PBC is currently waiving the waiting period and is requesting members with a clinical diagnosis to complete a Plan Member Confirmation of Illness Form in place of a formal physician's statement. [Pacific Blue Cross's COVID-19 page.](#)

### UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO SCHOOL CLOSURES

- Parents with children who require care due to school closures can apply for the [Canada Emergency Response Benefit \(CERB\)](#)
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### THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE COVID-19

- If experiencing [symptoms](#), complete [this self-assessment tool](#)
- [If you are sick](#), self-isolate for a minimum of 10 days
- Contact a health care provider – You can call 811 to speak with a registered nurse