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PUA Weekly Filing Available on EmployNV

CARSON CITY, NV - Nevadans eligible for the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program can begin filing weekly claims online Saturday, May 23, the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) announced today.

The system began accepting PUA claims on Saturday, May 16, 2020 at www.employnv.gov. The first payments are expected to be made beginning Wednesday, May 27, 2020.

Independent of the traditional Unemployment Insurance (UI) system, the PUA filing system is designed to provide streamlined filing for Nevada's self-employed, 1099 contract workers, and gig workers, to connect with PUA benefits. PUA claimants can contact the call center for all PUA related questions at (800) 603-9681 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Monday through Friday, and Saturday between 8 a.m. and noon.

PUA claimants must also be able and available for work as defined in state law, must have prior earnings in Nevada or a job offer to work in Nevada and must not be eligible for any UI benefits, including regular UI, Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation, and State Extended Benefits.

"We have been working tirelessly to provide this essential functionality of the PUA filing process. We know there is a great deal of interest and demand for weekly filing and expect our call center and claims portal to be very busy today," said DETR director, Heather Korbulich. "Staff will continue to work including the upcoming holiday to ensure this functionality is available for Nevadans."

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Claimants can view the newly-updated [PUA Claimant Guide](#) for information on the weekly filing process and access other helpful resources on the agency's website at detr.nv.gov/pua.

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