COVID-19 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ELIGIBILITY

Have you earned at least $1,600 during your base period and $440 outside of your highest paid quarter?

- **YES**
  - Have you become unemployed through no fault of your own, such as being laid off or let go because of COVID-19?
    - **NO**
      - Were you temporarily laid off due to COVID-19 because you are:
        - Confined to your home due to a COVID-19 diagnosis;
        - You need to care for a spouse, parent, or child who has been diagnosed with COVID-19;
        - You have had to leave work due to a child’s school closure?
          - **NO**
            - You may not be eligible for unemployment benefits. However, if you left your job because you had a concern about your health and safety at work, you might still be eligible.
          - **YES**
            - Are you a non-U.S. citizen?
              - *Your base period is defined as the four earliest (oldest) of the last five complete quarters of the calendar year.*
              - **YOU SHOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.**
                - You can apply at: https://www2.illinois.gov/ides

    - **YES**
      - Are you self-employed, an independent contractor, freelance worker, or seeking part-time work and are partially or fully employed?
        - **YES**
          - Are you partially or fully unemployed OR unable and unavailable because of a COVID-19 diagnosis (your own, a household member, or someone you care for), your place of employment closed because of COVID-19, or you are scheduled but unable to start new employment due to COVID-19?
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