

Public Benefits During the Pandemic: An Update for Mid-2021

A Webinar

Thursday, August 19, 2021: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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The pandemic has caused major changes to public benefits.

Most recently, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and policy changes at the federal and state level have greatly shifted the benefit landscape. This webinar offers you an opportunity to learn how these changes affect the people you serve.

Webinar Objectives:

1. Learn how renters and homeowners can avoid losing their homes through **pandemic rental assistance and homeowner assistance programs and an eviction moratorium**
2. Review the four types of **pandemic unemployment benefits**, when they will end in Michigan, how benefits affect SSDI and SSI, and how much of these benefits will NOT be taxable
3. Explore the multiple changes to the **Food Assistance Program (FAP)** benefit amounts
4. Find out the details of the most recent **economic impact (stimulus) payments**, including how people can get these payments who have not yet received them
5. Understand improvements to the **Earned Income Tax Credit and the Child Tax Credit**
6. Study the increases in **premium tax credits (subsidies)** for people enrolled in **Obamacare health insurance plans**
7. Discover financial assistance for people who continue their employer-sponsored health insurance coverage through **COBRA**
8. Receive an update on **student loan relief**
9. Get a reminder about **continuing Medicaid** during the pandemic...even for people who lose eligibility

Trainer: Michael Dalto, Senior Associate with Griffin-Hammis Associates, has delivered training on disability benefits from Social Security and related work incentives for over 30 years.

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