

COMPENSATION FOR CONTRACTING COVID-19 AT WORK

Are you a worker who has tested positive for COVID-19 and have related medical bills or unpaid quarantine time?

- ◆ Under a new state law, if you are a **frontline worker*** and you test positive for COVID-19, Labor and Industries (L&I) will accept that your illness is work related and approve your claim, unless your employer presents evidence that you contracted COVID-19 outside of work.
- ◆ You can get medical bills paid and partial wage replacement for the days of work you miss due to an order of quarantine or COVID-19 illness.



How can you claim benefits?

- ◆ To claim benefits, file a workers compensation claim either over the **telephone** (call 1-877-561-3453), **online** (<https://secure.lni.wa.gov/home/default.aspx?rfs=PleaseSign%20In>), or at a **medical clinic**.
- ◆ The new law applies to COVID-19 contracted after May 11, 2021. If you contracted COVID-19 prior to that date, you might still qualify, but you will need additional evidence to show that you contracted it at work.



* **Frontline worker includes the following:** farmworkers, warehouse and meat packing workers, retail, child care and home care workers, bus drivers, among others.

For **free** legal help with matters relating to farmworker employment, call us at



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