

Information Sheet: Transition from CERB to three new Recovery Benefits

Background:

On September 27, 2020, Bill C-4: COVID Response Measures received Royal Assent. This legislation outlines provisions for three new recovery benefits in response to COVID-19 to support Canadian citizens.

Application:

As of today, October 5th 2020, applications for two (Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit and Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit) of the three benefits are available via Canada Revenue Agency's *My Account* (<https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/e-services/e-services-individuals/account-individuals.html>) or via phone (1-800-959-2019 or 1-800-959-2041). The third benefit is the Canada Recovery Benefit; applications for this will also be made via *My Account* or phone and will open on October 12. Taxes will be withheld at the source with the administration of these three new benefits.

Benefit Details:

Benefit	Amount	Duration	Conditions
Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB)	\$500 per week	Maximum of 2 weeks	<p>You are unable to work for at least 50% of the week because you're self-isolating for one of the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are sick with COVID-19 or may have COVID-19 You are advised to self-isolate due to COVID-19. Have underlying conditions, are undergoing treatments or have contracted other sicknesses that, in the opinion of a medical practitioner, nurse practitioner, person in authority, government or public health authority, would make them more susceptible to COVID-19.
Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit (CRCB)	\$500 per week	Maximum of 26 weeks per household	<p>You are unable to work for at least 50% of the week because you must care for a child under the age of 12 or family member.</p> <p>You are caring for your child under 12 years old or a family member who needs supervised care</p>

			<p>because they are at home for one of the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their school, daycare, day program, or care facility is closed or unavailable to them due to COVID-19 • Their regular care services are unavailable due to COVID-19 • The person under your care is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ sick with COVID-19 or has symptoms of COVID-19 ○ at risk of serious health complications if they get COVID-19, as advised by a medical professional ○ self-isolating due to COVID-19
Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB)	\$500 per week	Maximum of 26 weeks per worker	<p>During the period you're applying for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • you were not working for reasons related to COVID-19 • you had a 50% reduction in your average weekly income compared to the previous year due to COVID-19

For more information: <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html>