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**Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Announced Pandemic
Unemployment Assistance**

BOSTON – Claimants will be able to file for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) beginning at 8:30am today.

They can do so by applying at: www.mass.gov/pua

PUA is a program open to the following individuals:

- Self-employed individuals, including gig workers, freelancers, and independent contractors
- Those seeking part-time employment
- Claimants that have an insufficient work history to qualify for benefits
- And claimants that have been laid off from churches and religious institutions and are not eligible for benefits under state law

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