

**From:** Des Henry  
**Sent:** 24 March 2020 15:05  
**To:** Rónán Hession; John McKeon; Jacqui McCrum  
**Subject:** RE: Pandemic Unemployment Payment

Rónán,

DEA isn't the issue – it's the fact that the State is already meeting their accommodation and meals requirements while they reside in IPAS accommodation.

If they are in IPAS accommodation, they are entitled to DEA.

If they don't live in IPAS accommodation they don't get DEA and would be entitled to receive the PUP. These people still have to accommodate and feed themselves.

Anyone who is waiting more than 9 months for a decision on their application for International Protection is entitled to work. There is no mechanism in place to provide for deductions by IPAS in respect of the accommodation/meals nor is there a mechanism currently which allows us to reduce the rate of DEA. Neither can reduce the rate paid to individual who residing in IPAS accommodation and who is working for an adult or child dependant.

We can't and should not stop DEA to pay PUP.

Please get back to me with any queries.

Thanks,

Des

**Des Henry**  
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**From:** Rónán Hession  
**Sent:** 24 March 2020 14:32

**To:** John McKeon; Jacqui McCrum  
**Cc:** Des Henry  
**Subject:** Fwd: Pandemic Unemployment Payment

SG/DSG

Just want to clarify the feedback you gave yesterday that DEA recipients don't qualify for PUP. Some DEA recipients have an entitlement to work. Where they lose their jobs, they would meet the PUP criteria unless we apply a blanket disqualification on a "maintain once" basis.

Des: couldn't someone in this situation just come off DEA and apply for PUP?

Thanks

Rónán

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**From:** Carol C. Baxter <[REDACTED]>  
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**Cc:** Des Henry <[REDACTED]>; Oonagh M. Buckley <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** RE: Pandemic Unemployment Payment

Dear Ronan,

I will clarify with Mick but the situation re people on daily allowances could be ambiguous. If the criteria for receiving the payment are that the person has to have a PPS number and to prove that s/he has lost work, there may be people in that cohort also receiving daily allowances. For them not to receive the payment, you would have to specify that the person cannot be in receipt of DP allowance.

Kind regards,

Carol

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**From:** Rónán Hession <[REDACTED]>  
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**Subject:** Pandemic Unemployment Payment

Mick/Mark/Carol

Just wanted to clarify a couple of relevant points re the pandemic unemployment payment:

Those eligible include the following cohorts: non EU/EEA worker over 18 who has lost employment due to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic, and a non-EU/EEA student over 18 who has lost employment due to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic. Those on the daily expenses allowance are not eligible.

Regards

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