

**Policy Clarifications
Cash Assistance – All
Medical Assistance – All
SNAP
PCA-17095-178
PMA-17095-378
PFS-17095-578**

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Agency: CAOs

Subject: Extended Unemployment Compensation (EUC) and Data Exchange 2

Question:

What are the correct procedures to follow when an individual states that he has stopped receiving EUC or UC and information on Data Exchange 2 appears to contradict that statement?

Response By: DWRI

Date:

EUC was a temporary federal program which provided additional unemployment benefits to eligible claimants following exhaustion of their regular Unemployment Compensation (UC) benefits. Funding for the program ended in December 2013, with claimants receiving their last payable week of EUC in early January 2014. For a short time, claimants were advised by the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) to continue filing claims, since these individuals could receive retroactive benefits if the US Congress took action to approve extensions. DLI has since stopped accepting claims for EUC as Congressional action seemed less likely.

Remaining EUC balances are still displayed on Data Exchange 2. DLI is not permitted to zero these balances out until instructed to do so by the US Department of Labor & Industry. In addition, the Exchange information does not differentiate between regular UC and EUC benefits. This may create difficulties for caseworkers attempting to use the Data Exchange to verify whether an individual is currently entitled to receive a benefit.

When an individual states that he has stopped receiving EUC or UC and this information is not clearly available on Exchange 2 (for example the screens show a claim balance, but no recently written checks), the CAO **will not request additional verification** before taking the following steps:

- Request and review an update of Data Exchange 2. If current payment information is received after this request, adjust UC income per program policy.
- If no recent payment information is received in the update, check the Application for Benefits Date (AB Date) on the Details screen. When the AB Date is **more than one year** prior to the date of the CAO's review **and** the individual has reported no earnings to DLI since that AB Date, any balance showing as of the CAO review date would be EUC benefits. No EUC payments are being paid as of the posting of this guidance.

If the UC/EUC status is still unclear after taking the steps above, ask the individual to verify the status of their benefit. The individual may provide their most recent Notice of Financial Determination or the Exhaustion of UC benefit letter (DLI form UC-50), which provides the date of the last benefit week payable to the UC/EUC claimant. See [PCA 15908178/PMA 15908378/PFS 15908578](#) for more information on obtaining the UC-50.

NOTE: This guidance is based on currently available information. Continue to update and review Data Exchanges and monitor DLI's [UC information web site](#) when determining OIM program eligibility for unemployed individuals.

The following Policy Clarifications are obsolete with the posting of this clarification:

[PCA15884150/PMA15884350/PFS15884550](#)

[PCA15411150/PMA15411350/PFS15411550](#)