

Important Information about benefits (PEBT and LTD)

The following information is for K-12 members in response to the COVID -19 pandemic.

Public Education Benefits Trust (PEBT)

The attached pdf regarding the Public Education Benefits Trust (PEBT) includes the following information:

- Who is eligible for Core Long Term Disability (LTD) benefits?
- Who may not be eligible for LTD benefits?
- Where can I get more information about my benefits?
- What other supports are available?

(<u>www.pebt.ca</u>)

Pacific Blue Cross (PBC)

K-12 extended health and dental benefits are provided through Pacific Blue Cross (PBC). PBC created an info sheet on COVID-19 with responses to questions about disability coverage and how they are handling claims and benefits. (<u>https://www.pac.bluecross.ca/covid19/</u>)

Employment Insurance

Employment Insurance (EI) sickness benefits are available to provide income replacement for those unable to work because of illness, injury, or quarantine. Quarantined Canadians can apply for EI sickness benefits and the typical requirement to provide a medical certificate is being waived. The one-week waiting period for EI sickness benefits <u>will be waived</u> for new claimants who are quarantined so they can be paid for the first week of their claim. Service Canada's dedicated toll-free support number is 1-833-381-2725 and information <u>is available here</u>.

If you are eligible, visit the <u>El sickness benefits</u> page to apply.

Information from CUPE National

This pdf has information from CUPE National on income assistance available to workers during the Coronavirus pandemic.