

Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment

If you were in isolation because you tested positive for COVID 19 or were a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID 19 or cared for a child who tested positive for COVID 19 or they were a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID 19 and you were in paid employment, and was likely to have worked during these dates, have no appropriate leave payments left and are not receiving an Australian Government income support payment, you may be eligible for the Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment. You can also claim if you were caring for a person with a disability or severe medical condition who were directed to isolate.

Please go to <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/em252>

This link will take you to the claim form to check your eligibility for the payment or alternatively present to the Services Australia Hub at the Professional Centre on Taylors Road.

Or go to www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/covid19

Within the guidelines to the application, you will require proof of residence, proof of employment, evidence of instructions to quarantine or isolate and proof of a positive test result for COVID 19 for you or the person you were caring for. The evidence of a positive COVID 19 test and direction to isolate needs to be from a health professional.

Currently NIHRACS are preparing an official letter that will provide the required medical evidence so Norfolk Island residents who were adversely affected due to COVID 19 isolation requirements can apply for the payment. These letters will be sent to all residents who were placed into quarantine or isolation.