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ARRA COBRA SUBSIDY EXTENSION RESOURCES

The 2010 Department of Defense Appropriations Act (DoDAA) extended the COBRA subsidy that was first introduced as part of 2009's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The key provisions are:

- Extension of eligibility for "involuntary terminations" of employment an additional two months; from December 31, 2009 to February 28, 2010.
- Extension of the eligibility period for receiving the COBRA subsidy for an additional six months (from nine to 15 months) for Assistance Eligible Individuals (AEIs).
- An extension of the COBRA Premium payment grace period for any AEI whose ARRA subsidy ended on November 30, 2009 to **60 days** after the date that the DoDAA was enacted or, if later, 30 days after a DoDAA notice is sent to the AEI.

Those of you who have professional COBRA Administration, your provider will continue to remain on top of this matter and ensure all new COBRA requirements will be met. For those of you without professional COBRA assistance, the J.S. Clark Agency offers the following resources as an educational tool to ease your mind and make your job easier.

FREE WEBINARS:

The following free webinars are being provided by COBRA Administrators at no cost to the participant:
(Space is limited and you must pre-register)



Infinitesource: (Register by clicking on the link below)

Tuesday, January 12th @ 1:30 PM

Thursday, January 14th @ 1:30 PM

<http://www.infinitesource.net/seminars/webinarschedule.aspx>



Basic: (Register by clicking on the link below)

Wednesday, January 13th @ 1:00 PM

Monday, January 18th @ 3:00 PM

<https://www.basiconline.com/solutions/Resources/events/>

COBRA UPDATES:

Get COBRA updates directly from the Department of Labor by clicking on this link:

<http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/cobra.html>



QUESTIONS:

If you have any questions regarding COBRA administration or the COBRA subsidy please contact your COBRA Administrator or contact your Account Manager at **248.355.9600**.

