

## **ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY**

Program: Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA)

Policy: COVID-19 Temporary Suspension of RESEA Program

Effective Date: March 30, 2020

Revision: 1

### **I. Policy Statement**

In response to federal and state declaration of emergency and guidance issued by the Department of Labor, the Department institutes a temporary suspension of the RESEA program.

### **II. Applicability**

This policy applies to all RESEA program activities, including initial and subsequent meetings, effective March 30, 2020, until further notice.

### **III. Authority**

[Emergency Unemployment Insurance Stabilization and Access Act of 2020](#)  
[Arizona Laws 2020, Chapter 53](#)  
[Relief for Workers Affected by Coronavirus Act](#)

### **IV. Definitions**

**COVID-19** – coronavirus disease 19; caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2.

**Department** - Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES)

### **V. Standards**

- A. **Profiling.** The Department continues to profile and track unemployment insurance (UI) claimants likely to exhaust their benefits per section 300 of the Employment Service Policy Manual.
- B. **Suspension of RESEA.** The Department temporarily suspends enrollment of UI claimants identified as likely to exhaust their UI benefits and Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) claimants into the RESEA program.
  - 1. Employment Service (ES) staff continue to provide services to UI claimants who seek reemployment assistance while the temporary suspension of RESEA is in place.

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2. The Department continues to evaluate the impact of COVID-19 on the RESEA program and intends to resume program enrollment and activities when Arizona reinstates the work-search requirement for UI claimants.