



Self-Employed COVID-19 Credits

Self-employed taxpayers who missed days of work due to COVID-19 symptoms (vaccine too) or quarantine may qualify for a credit. The credit is calculated based on your self-employment income, pro-rated to get to a daily rate, not to exceed \$511 per day. You can elect to use your previous years self-employment income if it is greater than the current year. The credit applies for a maximum of 10 days, and unless this credit gets extended, the days must have occurred prior to October 1st, 2021.

A reduced credit applies if you missed days worked to care for someone with COVID-19, took someone to obtain a vaccine, or cared for someone with vaccine symptoms, or even to care for a son or daughter who's school or daycare was closed due to COVID-19.

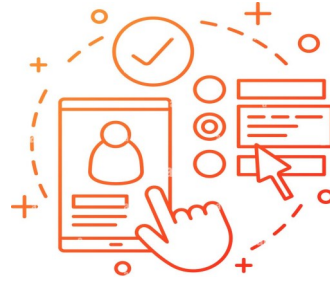
You must be able to substantiate the exact dates and provide a statement to explain the COVID-19 related reason. The credit is taken on your annual income tax filing, so be sure to let us know if you think you might qualify when we file your 2021 tax return.

✍️ Sharie Landsverk, CPA



Creating an IRS Online Tax Account:

Chances are you haven't heard of an IRS Online Account. After all, we all want to limit our interaction with the IRS. However, this new program has many benefits and tools to make your life easier. With your account you will be able to make a payment to the IRS, view your tax owed, create a payment plan, view your personal tax record, and more! You can give Power of Attorney to your tax accountant electronically which will allow us to view your account to review your tax record or see IRS notices. No more lengthy call to the IRS just to request information!



- Visit <https://www.irs.gov/payments/your-online-account> and click Sign in to your Online Account
- Create your ID.me account with your own email and password
- Verify your ID.me account with your personal cell phone

Your IRS Online Account will put your tax records at your fingertips. If you have any questions or concerns just give the office a call and ask for me. I'd be happy to help you get your account set up.

 Nick Carney

New Tax Forms for 2021:

Please watch your mail for the following new tax forms:

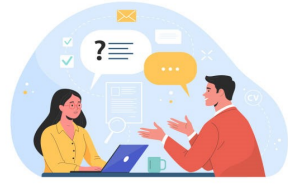
- **Letter 6419, 2021 Total Advance Child Tax Credit Payments.** Necessary to reconcile advance child tax credit payments received.
- **Letter 6475, Your 2021 Economic Impact Payment** Just like last year, we need to know how much stimulus you received.
- **Form 1095-A, Health Insurance Marketplace Statement.** This form allows us to reconcile your health insurance premium credit when you buy insurance on the exchange.



 Sue DiAsio

FAQs on stimulus payments:

- Also known as Recovery Rebate Credits and Economic Impact Payments.
- The payments are not taxable. Yay!
- We must know precisely how much you got in 2021 to prepare your tax return.
- If you didn't receive a payment, but should have, it will get sorted out on your 2021 tax return
- You do not have to pay it back if you received too much. Phew!



✉ Aliina Anton-Erik, CPA/PFS

COVID-19 Distributions

If you took a COVID-19 related distribution (CVD) from a retirement plan in 2020 your choices could impact your 2020, 2021 and 2022 tax returns! Let us know if this might apply to you so we can discuss the options, timing, and tax scenarios applicable to you.

✉ Charlie Meyerson

Gearing Up for Tax Season

A PDF of your 2021 tax organizer (includes engagement letter) is available in the portal. You are welcome to print it out or simply use it as a guide to gather your current year tax documents. We recently acquired a new software that will allow us to create a fillable organizer for you. Please call our office at (425) 774-8888 if you would like to have your PDF organizer converted to a fillable format or if you prefer to sign your engagement letter via DocuSign.



Your engagement letter is available within your organizer, and the signed engagement letter must be received prior to tax return preparation. If you are married, both spouses must sign.

Login to the portal at: werner CPA.smartvault.com or look for the link in the upper right hand corner of our website werner CPA.com

If you requested a paper organizer, it has been mailed to you.



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