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DIR Issues Amended Regulations to the Return-to-Work Supplement Program that Extends Deadline to File for Benefits

An amendment that extends the deadline to file for the [Return-to-Work Supplement Program](#) (RTWSP) has been approved by the [Office of Administrative Law](#) (OAL) and filed with the Secretary of State, effective March 20, 2017.

The regulation amendment extends the deadline to file for RTWSP benefits for certain individuals who received the Supplemental Job Displacement Benefit (SJDB) voucher between April 13, 2015 and December 1, 2015, and who may not have received notice of their eligibility to apply for the RTWSP benefit.

The amendments to 8 CCR section 17304 are shown below with new language underlined and deleted language struck through:

- (a) An application for the Return-to-Work Supplement must be received by the Return-to-Work Supplement Program within one year from the date the Voucher (DWC-AD Form 10133.32 (SJDB) Rev: 10/1/15, or later version) was served on the individual.

- (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of this section, an application for the Return-to-Work Supplement from any individual who was issued a Voucher prior to December 1, 2015, for an injury occurring on or after January 1, 2013, must be received by the Return-to-Work Supplement Program no later than ~~or~~ within one year from the effective date of this subdivision ~~ese regulations, whichever is later.~~

Applicants who were previously denied due to the eligibility deadline do not need to reapply. Their case will be reopened, reviewed, and a new determination made within 60 days.

The amended regulations can be found on the DIR [website](#).

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