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To:

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Subject:

Legislative Changes to UI Claimant Work Search Requirements

Date:

May 12, 2017

A new state regulation requiring UI claimants to perform at least two (2) job searches each week through SC Works Online Services (SCWOS) will take effect with the week beginning <u>May 28, 2017</u>. Starting that week, claimants will be ineligible for benefits and will not receive payment for any week in which they fail to perform two (2) job searches through SCWOS.

Claimants may receive a waiver from the requirement to perform at least two (2) weekly job searches through SCWOS for good cause. Good cause includes, but is not limited to, verifiable electronic access barriers and/or language barriers, and is determined by the S.C. Department of Employment and Workforce on a case-by-case basis.

If claimants are not already registered in SCWOS, they will need to set up an account by visiting www.jobs.scworks.org and clicking on the "Not Registered" link in the upper right hand corner of the screen. Then they can login with a username and password.

Please ensure that these changes are communicated to staff working in the SC Works centers in your area.