

Senate Select Committee on COVID-19

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Australian Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Topic: COVID-19 Disaster Payment - eligibility

Senator: Gallagher

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Question:

Will any support be retained for those on temporary visas who are eligible for the Federal support payment but not for the JobSeeker payment?

Answer:

The Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment will continue to be available until 30 June 2022.

The Payment supports workers, including those on temporary visas, who are unable to work and earn income because they have to self-isolate due to having COVID-19, being a close contact, or caring for someone with COVID-19.