Washington Paid Family & Medical Leave

Employment Security Department WASHINGTON STATE

Advisory Committee Meeting May 17, 2019



Presentation overview

Introductions

Approve meeting minutes

Beta 1 update

Technology system features for Beta 2

Communications update

Open comment

Introductions

- Advisory Committee
- In-person attendees

(Note: We will use the conference call feature to identify who is on the phone rather than announcing during meeting)

Approve April minutes

Discussion

Beta 1 update

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Beta Dashboard | as of 5/14/2019



Beta 1 Details-Internal Feedback

Each CCT Specialist is completing a feedback form for each beta client they assist.

- 1. Do you feel you had the necessary tools/resources and were prepared to assist the employer?
- 2. Did you feel the customer had an easy time accessing and navigating the Paid Leave Account through SAW?
- 3. If the customer expressed thoughts about items they would like to see changed or added, what were they?
- 4. What would they do differently to make this a better experience or process (from CCT point of view)
- 5. Is there any other feedback or information you would like to add regarding this experience?

Beta 1 Details-Employer Feedback

In addition to the survey we send out, each employer can elect to provide specific feedback in an interview or email.

- 1. What are your general impressions of the quarterly reporting and premium remitting system?
- 2. What did you particularly like?
- 3. What did you find confusing?
- 4. What surprised you, good or bad?
- 5. If you could change something about the system, what would it be?
- 6. If you have a specific concern how would you address the issue if you were part of the Paid Family and Medical Leave team?

Beta findings

- System is easy to use!
- Employers have great feedback on the system
- Still some confusion with employers about the premium calculation
- Employers have needed assistance with file creation and formatting
- All employers have been thankful for the opportunity

Technology system features for Beta 2

- Ability to register as an employer agent.
- Ability for employer agents to file "bulk" wage reports for multiple employers.
- Ability for employer agents to make "bulk" payments for multiple employers.
- Enhance premium-related functionality and add more automation.

Communications update: Phase II – benefits!

Phase II	May-Aug 201	9	Sept. – Dec. 2019	Jan. – April 2020	May – Aug. 2020	Sept. – Dec. 2020
Community engagement						
Qualitative research						
Earned media		July	1 - Reporting launch	Jan. 1 - Benefits launc	n	
Creative development						
Paid ad campaign						
Employers	Phase I cont.					
Health care workers						
Employees						
				Propose	ed timeline. Dates/activities	s subject to change.
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GOALS

Broad awareness and support

Wide-ranging and multi-pronged communications and marketing tactics

- Outreach
- Videography
- Broad ad campaign
- Continued support for employers
- Helpful website, materials and tools

Focus on removing barriers

Understand our customers through quantitative research:

- Who is most likely to use Paid Family and Medical Leave?
- Who has barriers to access?
- Develop messages, creative and tools that drive utilization.
- Support employers, health care workers and other key audiences that will affect whether or not someone takes leave



Sharing benefits campaign

Next steps

- Solicit input, finalize focus group approach
- Invite Advisory Committee and other key stakeholders to watch the focus groups
- Plan creative campaign content after survey and focus group analysis complete

For the good of the order: open comment

Next meeting Thursday, June 20, 2019

Continue the conversation

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Voluntary plan update As of 5/9/2019

