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### THE SEASON TO PREPARE YOUR 2020 INCOME TAX & NONPROFIT RETURNS HAS BEGUN

Happy New Year, and wishing you God's blessings in 2021. To those clients who are returning to us once again for return preparation, we sincerely thank you for your past patronage and ask that you spread the word to your friends and family of our preparation services. To our new clients, we thank you in advance for your business and pledge to serve you with quality and professional customer service. Remember, we're here to help you!

Check out the special "TAX PREPARATION ISSUE" of our "JPT FINANCIAL NEWSWIRE" for specific instructions and guidelines for our 2020 Personal, Business, Fiduciary and Nonprofit return preparation and filings process at the following link:

https://jptfinancial.com/files/taxpreparation\_newswire.pdf

Thank you in advance for your kind assistance and for letting us be of service to you. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us.

## NEW JERSEY SENIOR FREEZE PROPERTY TAX REIMBURSEMENT APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED AGAIN

https://njcpa.org/article/2020/12/30/senior-freeze-property-tax-reimbursement-application-deadline-extended-again

## DIDN'T RECEIVE YOUR 1ST AND/OR 2ND STIMULUS CHECK IF ELIGIBLE?

You will be able to receive the stimulus payments known as the "Recovery Rebate Credit" when you file your 2020 tax return in 2021. Be sure to let your Tax Practitioner know the details when preparing your return!

# IRS SAYS YOU DON'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING TO GET YOUR STIMULUS CHECK (AND ANSWERS YOUR OTHER QUESTIONS)

https://www.forbes.com/sites/kellyphillipserb/2021/12/30/irs-says-you-dont-need-to-do-anything-to-get-your-stimulus-check-and-answers-your-other-questions/?sh=516df1615dd3

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW COVID STIMULUS LAW

https://www.taxpracticeadvisor.com/individual-income-taxes/news/21204093/highlights-of-the-new-covid-stimulus-law

## SBA EXTENDS APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR COVID-19 ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN PROGRAM

SBA announced that the deadline to apply for a COVID-19 pandemic Economic Injury Disaster Loan has been extended to December 31, 2021.

https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/economic-injury-disaster-loans?utm medium=email&utm source=govdelivery

## SMALL BUSINESS OPTIMISM PERSISTS, DESPITE THE PANDEMIC

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/small-business/news/21202870/small-business-optimism-persists-despite-the-pandemic?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

## FEDERAL RESOURCES FOR U.S. SMALL BUSINESSES

https://www.covid-sb.org/

## **FILING PAST DUE TAX RETURNS**

https://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed/filing-past-due-tax-returns

## **10 WAYS YOUR INCOME TAXES WILL BE DIFFERENT IN 2021**

https://www.moneytalksnews.com/how-your-taxes-will-change-in-2021/

## 12 THINGS TO DO BEFORE STARTING A BUSINESS

https://succeedasyourownboss.com/12-things-to-do-before-starting-a-business/

### **TOP 11 FINANCIAL NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS AND HOW TO FULFILL THEM**

https://www.hermoney.com/borrow/student-loans/top-11-financial-new-years-resolutions-and-how-to-fulfill-them/

#### THE IMPACT OF FILING STATUS ON STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PLANS

https://www.thetaxadviser.com/issues/2021/jan/student-loan-repayment-plans-impact-of-filing-status.html

### EMPLOYERS MUST ISSUE AND FILE WAGE STATEMENTS BY FEB. 1

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/01/04/employers-must-issue-and-file-wage-statements-by-feb.-1

### NEXUS AND OTHER COVID-RELATED NEW JERSEY TAX ISSUES

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/01/05/nexus-and-other-covid-related-new-jersey-tax-issues

## 12 THINGS TO BOOST YOUR BUSINESS IN 2021

https://succeedasyourownboss.com/12-things-to-boost-your-business-in-2021/?utm\_source=email&utm\_medium=broadcast&utm\_campaign=ezine

## A RUN THROUGH OF THE PAYROLL-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE LATEST COVID-19 LAW

https://tax.thomsonreuters.com/blog/a-run-through-of-the-payroll-related-provisions-of-the-latest-covid-19-law/

## SBA AND TREASURY ANNOUNCE PPP RE-OPENING; ISSUE NEW GUIDANCE

https://www.sba.gov/article/2021/jan/08/sba-treasury-announce-ppp-re-opening-issue-new-guidance?utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=govdelivery

## TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS

https://www.irs.gov/taxpayer-bill-of-rights

### RECENT CHANGES TO THE INTEREST EXPENSE LIMITATION RULES

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/01/14/recent-changes-to-the-interest-expense-limitation-rules

## NEW JERSEY'S HEALTH COVERAGE REQUIREMENT

https://nj.gov/treasury/njhealthinsurancemandate/

## 7 MONEY TIPS FOR SINGLES

https://mailchi.mp/641f0552809c/7-money-tips-for-singles-more-than-money-january-14-2020?e=193ba3cbfa

#### 7 TIPS TO KEEP CLIENT DATA SAFE DURING THIS WORK-FROM-HOME TAX SEASON

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21204900/7-tips-to-keep-client-data-safe-during-this-workfromhome-tax-season?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

### TOP 10 REGULATORY ISSUES TO WATCH IN 2021

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21204610/top-10-regulatory-issues-to-watch-in-2021?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

#### FIVE QUESTIONS YOUR CLIENTS NEED ANSWERED WHEN SELLING A BUSINESS

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/small-business/news/21204639/five-questions-your-clients-need-answered-when-selling-a-business?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

#### ALL TAXPAYERS NOW ELIGIBLE FOR IDENTITY PROTECTION PINS

It helps prevent identity thieves from filing fraudulent tax returns using a taxpayers' personally identifiable information.

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/all-taxpayers-now-eligible-for-identity-protection-pins

## SBA ISSUES UPDATED PPP GUIDANCE

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/01/19/sba-issues-updated-ppp-quidance

#### 2021 TAX FILING SEASON BEGINS FEB. 12

The IRS announced that the nation's tax season will start on Friday, Feb. 12, 2021, when the tax agency will begin accepting and processing 2020 tax year returns.

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/01/15/2021-tax-filing-season-begins-feb.-12

## **6 TIPS FOR CPAS ON NEWEST ROUND OF PPP FUNDING**

https://www.journalofaccountancy.com/news/2021/jan/new-ppp-funding-tips-for-cpas.html

## EMPLOYERS CAN WITHHOLD, MAKE PAYMENTS OF DEFERRED SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES FROM 2020

https://www.njcpa.org/article/2021/01/19/employers-can-withhold-make-payments-of-deferred-social-security-taxes-from-2020

## 2021 TAX SEASON: WHAT TO PREPARE FOR

https://www.foxbusiness.com/personal-finance/2021-filing-season-preparations

### **■ IRS TAX ALERT: MARK YOUR CALENDAR WITH IMPORTANT TAX DEADLINES FOR 2021**

https://succeedasyourownboss.com/irs-tax-alert-mark-your-calendar-with-important-tax-deadlines-for-2021/?utm\_source=email&utm\_medium=broadcast&utm\_campaign=ezine

### 10 BIBLE VERSES SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS NEEDS TO KNOW FOR 2021

https://succeedasyourownboss.com/10-bible-verses-small-business-owners-needs-to-know-for-2021/?utm\_source=email&utm\_medium=broadcast&utm\_campaign=ezine

## IRS EXPECTED TO AUDIT MORE SMALL BUSINESSES IN 2021

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21205514/irs-expected-to-audit-more-small-businesses-in-2021?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

#### IRS URGES TAXPAYERS TO GATHER TAX DOCUMENTS NOW FOR SMOOTH FILING LATER

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-urges-taxpayers-to-gather-tax-documents-now-for-smooth-filing-later

### TOXIC CLIENTS AND HOW TO DEAL WITH THEM

https://www.thesmallbusinesssite.co.za/2018/10/08/toxic-clients-deal/

### STAND FIRM ON YOUR PRICING AND DON'T DISCOUNT

https://www.thesmallbusinesssite.co.za/2020/12/01/stand-firm-on-your-pricing-and-dont-discount/

#### MANY AMERICANS WITHDRAWING EARLY FROM RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS DUE TO COVID

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/payroll/news/21207510/many-americans-withdrawing-early-from-retirement-accounts-due-to-covid?oly enc id=0663D9154545D7U

#### TAX REFUNDS ARE FASTER WITH DIRECT DEPOSIT

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21207028/tax-refunds-are-faster-with-direct-deposit?oly enc id=0663D9154545D7U

## IRS OFFERS GUIDANCE TO TAXPAYERS ON IDENTITY THEFT INVOLVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-offers-guidance-to-taxpayers-on-identity-theft-involving-unemployment-benefits

#### THE TOP PAYROLL ISSUES IN THE LATEST COVID-19 LAW

https://www.taxpracticeadvisor.com/payroll-taxes/news/21207068/the-top-payroll-issues-in-the-latest-covid19-law

#### IRS UPDATES TIMELINE FOR WHEN DEFERRED PAYROLL TAXES ARE DUE

https://www.taxpracticeadvisor.com/payroll-taxes/news/21207070/irs-updates-timeline-for-when-deferred-payroll-taxes-are-due

#### NEW JERSEY TAX AUDITS — WHAT TO EXPECT

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/02/01/new-jersey-tax-audits-what-to-expect

TRACKING INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR "GIG" WORK

https://startingpoint304.preview.getnetset.com/newsletter/tax-tip-tracking-income-and-expenses-for-qiq-work/

2021 ADJUSTMENTS TO TAX BRACKETS AND DEDUCTIONS

https://startingpoint304.preview.getnetset.com/newsletter/2021-adjustments-to-tax-brackets-and-deductions/

DO YOUR KIDS KNOW WHERE TO FIND ALL YOUR MONEY IF TRAGEDY STRIKES?

https://www.aarp.org/money/investing/info-2020/giving-kids-access-to-assets.html

NJ SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE LOANS SOON OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

https://www.nfib.com/content/news/new-jersey/nj-small-business-assistance-loans-soon-open-for-applications/?roi=echo4-44271475142-99868447-68da58022c767842b0a804c42549833b&utm\_campaign=eNews02042021&utm\_source=eNews-NJ&utm\_medium=Email&mem=

**EDUCATORS CAN NOW DEDUCT OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES FOR PPE** 

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/02/04/educators-can-now-deduct-out-of-pocket-expenses-for-ppe

IS COVID-19 FINANCIAL RELIEF TAXABLE?

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/02/04/is-covid-19-financial-relief-taxable

COVID TAX CREDIT EXTENDED FOR EMPLOYERS WHO KEEP WORKERS ON PAYROLL

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21207462/covid-tax-credit-extended-foremployers-who-keep-workers-on-payroll?oly enc id=3448I1920423D1X

NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNEMPLOYMENT FRAUD AND IDENTITY THEFT.

https://www.withum.com/resources/new-opportunities-for-unemployment-fraud-and-identity-theft/

IRS WARNS TAX PROS OF EFIN SCAM

https://www.njcpa.org/article/2021/02/10/irs-warns-tax-pros-of-efin-scam

HOW TO DETERMINE THE DATE OF ASSESSMENT FOR IRS COLLECTION PURPOSES

https://www.taxpracticeadvisor.com/individual-income-taxes/news/21207545/how-to-determine-the-date-of-assessment-for-irs-collection-purposes

BEWARE OF "GHOST" PREPARERS WHO DON'T SIGN TAX RETURNS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/beware-of-ghost-preparers-who-dont-sign-tax-returns

COMMON AND COSTLY ERRORS TAXPAYERS SHOULD AVOID WHEN PREPARING A TAX RETURN

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/common-and-costly-errors-taxpayers-should-avoid-when-preparing-a-tax-return

WHAT TAXPAYERS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CLAIMING THE CREDIT FOR OTHER DEPENDENTS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/what-taxpayers-need-to-know-about-claiming-the-credit-for-other-dependents

3 KEYS TO THRIVING IN AN EVER-CHANGING ENVIRONMENT

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/firm-management/news/21207030/3-keys-to-thriving-in-an-everchanging-environment?oly enc id=0663D9154545D7U

NYS TAX DEPARTMENT: TAX TIPS FOR INDIVIDUALS—DO YOU NEED FORM 1099-G?

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/NYTAX/bulletins/2beee09

IRS WARNS ANEW OF 2021 TAX SCAMMERS: 'VERY ACTIVE AND VERY CREATIVE'

https://www.foxbusiness.com/technology/irs-warns-anew-of-2021-tax-scammers-very-active-and-very-creative

AM I ENTITLED TO MY EX-SPOUSE'S SOCIAL SECURITY?

https://www.aarp.org/retirement/social-security/questions-answers/ex-spouse-social-security/

2021 TAXES: TEACHERS CAN DEDUCT SOME COVID-19 OUT-OF-POCKET CLASSROOM EXPENSES

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21209175/2021-taxes-teachers-candeduct-some-covid19-outofpocket-classroom-expenses?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

9 TIPS TO MINIMIZE RISK OF CYBER ATTACKS ON YOUR FIRM

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/firm-management/article/21162810/9-tips-to-minimize-risk-of-cyber-attacks-on-your-firm?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

5 PRINCIPLES TO KEEP YOUR BUSINESS THRIVING IN 2021

https://www.forbes.com/sites/serenitygibbons/2021/02/16/5-principles-to-keep-your-business-thriving-in-2021/?sh=66e971423976

KEY MARKETING MISTAKES ENTREPRENEURS AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS SHOULD AVOID

https://www.forbes.com/sites/bernhardschroeder/2021/02/19/key-marketing-mistakes-entrepreneurs-and-small-business-owners-should-avoid/?ss=small-business-strategy&sh=2cac03423e38

IRS ANNOUNCES TAX RELIEF FOR TEXAS SEVERE WINTER STORM VICTIMS

http://ow.ly/RBg230rxY1A

LEADERSHIP ADVICE... A GOOD WATCH!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NanvM8POdaY

DON'T FORGET TO CLEAN YOUR WINDOW... ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVKV7gKFLms

"BUSINESS NUGGETS" PUBLICATION, BY JOSEPH-PAUL (JP) TIMPANO, CPA

A collection of Mr. Timpano's business wisdom postings shared to Social Media.

https://jptfinancial.com/files/Business\_Nuggets.pdf

### "LEADERSHIP QUOTATIONS" PUBLICATION

A collection of leadership quotes authored by various people and shared to Social Media.

https://c111157321.preview.getnetset.com/files/Leadership-Quotations.pdf

## "SERVICE POSTINGS" PUBLICATION

Headlines of professional services offered by JPT Financial Solutions Inc.

https://jptfinancial.com/files/Service-Postings.pdf

## NEW LAW PROVIDES ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY FOR HEALTH FSAS AND DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/new-law-provides-additional-flexibility-for-health-fsas-and-dependent-care-assistance-programs

## 12 STATES THAT WON'T TAX YOUR RETIREMENT DISTRIBUTIONS

https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/info-2020/states-that-dont-tax-retirement-distributions.html?cmp=EMC-DSO-NLC-WBLTR-SAPLA--MCTRL-022621-F1-5267080&ET\_CID=5267080&ET\_RID=23390740&encparam=4V%2b%2bns5z64JB5ZV8AekXYu%2fYZZBt%2bEGHbUFJ%2f%2fKjQxQ%3d

## BUDGETING IS ABOUT HAVING MORE

https://www.crosswalk.com/family/finances/budget/budgeting-is-about-having-more.html?utm\_source=&utm\_campaign=Finance%20Update%20-%20Crosswalk.com&utm\_medium=email&utm\_content=4391932&bcid=bf4e2a47fcfb7e4c3da5e43afbde6e3a&recip=540946169%20

## 2021 TAX TIPS FOR TRUCKERS

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# ■ IRS REMINDS BUSINESSES TO REPORT LARGE CASH TRANSACTIONS; E-FILE ENCOURAGED

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-reminds-businesses-to-report-large-cash-transactions-e-file-encouraged

FORM 8300 AND REPORTING CASH PAYMENTS OF OVER \$10,000

https://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed/form-8300-and-reporting-cash-payments-of-over-10000

THINGS TAXPAYERS SHOULD KNOW WHEN CHOOSING BETWEEN STANDARD AND ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/things-taxpayers-should-know-when-choosing-between-standard-and-itemized-deductions

**■ IRS STILL WORKING ON LAST YEAR'S TAX RETURNS, MAY EXTEND 2021 TAX DEADLINE - STAY TUNED!** 

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21211837/irs-still-working-on-last-years-tax-returns-may-extend-2021-tax-deadline?oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

PPP BORROWERS CAN USE GROSS INCOME, SBA RULES

https://www.journalofaccountancy.com/news/2021/mar/ppp-borrowers-can-use-gross-income-sbarules.html#.YEDv8i2vQD4.twitter

LEARN MORE ABOUT FORMS BEING SENT TO TAXPAYERS WHO RECEIVED AN INTEREST PAYMENT LAST YEAR FROM THE IRS.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F97SiAkktV4

SELF-EVIDENT TRUTHS OF BUSINESS GROWTH

http://www.cpnonpoint.com/self-evident-truths-of-business-growth/

## HERE'S WHAT TAXPAYERS SHOULD DO IF THEY HAVE MISSING OR INCORRECT DOCUMENTS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/heres-what-taxpayers-should-do-if-they-have-missing-or-incorrect-documents

### 9 THINGS PEOPLE JUST DON'T GET ABOUT ENTREPRENEURS

https://www.inc.com/jeff-haden/the-entrepreneurs-creed-inner-beliefs-of-true-entrepreneurs.html

## **WHAT IS BITCOIN? BITCOIN EXPLAINED SIMPLY FOR DUMMIES**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=41JCpzvnn\_0&list=WL&index=666&t=626s

### THE FUTURE OF FINANCE IS LEAVING PAPER CHECKS IN THE PAST

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/accounting-audit/news/21212511/the-future-of-finance-is-leaving-paper-checks-in-the-

past?utm\_source=CPA+Accounting+%26+Audit+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CC SN210303004&o\_eid=0663D9154545D7U&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C0663D9154545D7U &oly\_enc\_id=0663D9154545D7U

### SENATE PASSES AMENDED \$1.9 TRILLION COVID-19 STIMULUS BILL

https://www.journalofaccountancy.com/news/2021/mar/senate-passes-coronavirus-stimulus-bill-recovery-rebates.html

## THIRD STIMULUS CHECK: WHEN ARE THE \$1,400 PAYMENTS COMING AND WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

https://www.wsj.com/articles/when-are-the-stimulus-checks-coming-and-who-will-get-one-11615216538?mod=e2tw

## **7 TAX TIPS FOR CAREGIVERS TO MAXIMIZE DEDUCTIONS**

https://dailycaring.com/7-tax-tips-for-caregivers-help-maximize-deductions/

#### A \$60 BILLION SURPRISE IN THE COVID RELIEF BILL: TAX HIKES

https://www.politico.com/news/2021/03/10/covid-relief-bill-tax-hikes-475051

FEDERAL STIMULUS INCLUDES BILLIONS FOR NPO SERVICES, PAYMENTS

https://www.thenonprofittimes.com/news/federal-stimulus-includes-billions-for-npo-services-payments/

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https://www.bankrate.com/banking/savings/third-stimulus-check-biden-american-rescue-plan-coronavirus-relief/

● 5 WAYS THE \$1.9 TRILLION COVID RELIEF BILL COULD HELP IF YOU'RE UNEMPLOYED

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HERE'S HOW THE THIRD ROUND OF STIMULUS CHECKS WILL DIFFER FROM THE PREVIOUS TWO

https://www.entrepreneur.com/article/366874

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN SOMEONE DIES WITHOUT A WILL?

https://dailycaring.com/what-happens-when-someone-dies-without-a-will/

WHAT IS A POWER OF ATTORNEY AND WHY DO SENIORS NEED ONE?

https://dailycaring.com/what-is-a-power-of-attorney-and-why-do-seniors-need-one/

WHAT IS A LIVING WILL AND WHY DO SENIORS NEED ONE?

https://dailycaring.com/what-is-living-will/

CAREGIVING AND FUNERAL PLANNING

https://dailycaring.com/5-ways-to-make-funeral-planning-easier/

5 SMART TIPS FOR HIRING AN ELDER LAW ATTORNEY

https://dailycaring.com/how-to-find-an-elder-law-attorney-you-can-trust/

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT PASSES WITH MANY TAX COMPONENTS

https://www.journalofaccountancy.com/news/2021/mar/tax-components-coronavirus-relief-bill.html

TAX TIME GUIDE: MAKE PROTECTING TAX AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION A HABIT

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/tax-time-guide-make-protecting-tax-and-financial-information-a-habit?utm\_source=bambu&utm\_medium=social&utm\_campaign=advocacy&blaid=1285811

WHAT HAPPENS IF THE MORTGAGE ON YOUR HOME OUTLIVES YOU?

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WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR A MORTGAGE AFTER THE BORROWER DIES?

https://www.rocketmortgage.com/learn/who-is-responsible-for-a-mortgage-after-the-borrower-dies

HOW TO GET A CHARGE OUT OF THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE TAX CREDIT

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credit?utm\_source=CPA+Tax+Practice+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN21030 8002&o\_eid=3448I1920423D1X&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C3448I1920423D1X

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN - FEDERAL TAXABILITY OF 2020 UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The American Rescue Plan exempts the first \$10,200 (\$20,400 if MFJ) of unemployment from taxation retroactively back to 2020 for taxpayers with adjusted gross income below \$150,000.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN - PREMIUM TAX CREDIT

As a result of the American Rescue Plan, for the 2020 tax year, the repayment of the Advance Premium Tax Credit to lower health insurance premium payment for is temporarily suspended.

#### AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN - STUDENT LOAN DEBT

As a result of the American Rescue Plan, for student loan discharges from 2021 through 2025, the cancellation of debt will not be considered income.

### TAX ASPECTS OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

https://www.withum.com/resources/tax-aspects-of-the-american-rescue-plan-act/?utm\_source=marketo&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=&utm\_content=&mkt\_tok=NDI0LUt\_CSy01ODIAAAF7xxGOFc8L\_ICgKp4F1xI9XzJUWEY1StMHWPvxDENDBCI80WM6wPCqOUpOqY\_OVoDdh3D4P6S8JqiR5\_qZvtUPvwCafefObfuJOQOKIPI5ojoyy

### THIRD ROUND OF STIMULUS CHECKS: WHO WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR \$1,400 PAYMENTS?

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#### IRS PROVIDES INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEW UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION EXCLUSION

https://www.irs.gov/faqs/irs-procedures/forms-publications/new-exclusion-of-up-to-10200-of-unemployment-compensation

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU ALREADY FILED TAXES BUT WANT TO CLAIM THE \$10,200 UNEMPLOYMENT TAX BREAK

https://www.marketwatch.com/story/what-to-do-if-you-already-filed-taxes-but-want-to-claim-the-10-200-unemployment-tax-break-11615559438

## IS COVID-19 FINANCIAL RELIEF TAXABLE?

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/03/12/is-covid-19-financial-relief-taxable

## **UPDATE ON NJ AUTOMATIC CBT EXTENSION FOR CERTAIN FILERS**

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/03/12/new-jersey-provides-automatic-cbt-extension-for-certain-fiscal-tax-year-filers

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROVIDES SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/03/11/american-rescue-plan-provides-small-business-assistance-and-support

IRS STATEMENT - AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-statement-american-rescue-plan-act-of-2021

IRS BEGINS DELIVERING THIRD ROUND OF ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENTS TO AMERICANS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-begins-delivering-third-round-of-economic-impact-payments-to-americans

IRS ANNOUNCES TAX RELIEF FOR LOUISIANA SEVERE WINTER STORM VICTIMS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-announces-tax-relief-for-louisiana-severe-winter-storm-victims

**■ TAX TIME GUIDE: GET CREDIT FOR IRA CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY APRIL 15 ON 2020 TAX RETURNS** 

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/tax-time-guide-get-credit-for-ira-contributions-made-by-april-15-on-2020-tax-returns

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT - H.R. 1319 SUMMARY OF TITLE IX

https://www.natptax.com/TaxKnowledgeCenter/IRS%20Tax%20Resources/2021AmericanRescuePlanActSummary.pdf?utm\_source=tpw&utm\_medium=email&utm\_content=031121&utm\_campaign=tpw

REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS - IF A TAXPAYER TURNED 70½ IN 2019

Due to the 2020 CARES Act, if the taxpayer did not receive an RMD in 2020, they need to take it by April 1, 2021. They would also need to take the 2021 RMD by Dec. 31, 2021.

**■ REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS - IF A TAXPAYER TURNED 70½ AFTER 2019** 

Taxpayer is not required to take an RMD until age 72. Example: if taxpayer turns 72 on 7/1/2021, they must take their 2021 RMD by 4/1/2022. In addition, they must also take their 2022 RMD by 12/31/2022.

### APRIL 1 AND RMDS – UNDERSTANDING THE RMD RULES

https://blog.natptax.com/article?articleId=1gs1wuXHK6Ngw3NRONZoum

## ■ IRS, TREASURY DISBURSED 90 MILLION ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENTS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-treasury-disbursed-90-million-economic-impact-payments-from-the-american-rescue-plan

## IRS "GET MY PAYMENT" APPLICATION - TO CHECK YOUR STATUS OF THE ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENT FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment

# TAX DAY FOR INDIVIDUALS EXTENDED TO MAY 17: TREASURY, IRS EXTEND FILING AND PAYMENT DEADLINE

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/tax-day-for-individuals-extended-to-may-17-treasury-irs-extend-filing-and-payment-deadline

NOTE: The federal tax filing deadline postponement to May 17, 2021 ONLY applies to individual federal income returns & tax (including tax on self-employment income) payments otherwise due April 15, 2021. Stay tuned for any 2020 state filing date changes, if and when announced.

## CLARIFICATION OF 2021 FEDERAL 1ST QTR ESTIMATED TAX PAYMENTS

Note that the recent relief passed by the IRS to extend the 2020 individual return filing date does NOT apply to 1st Qtr 2021 estimated tax payments that due on April 15, 2021. These payments are still due on April 15.

## FEDERAL TAX EXTENSION IF NEEDED AFTER MAY 17

Individuals who need additional time to file beyond the May 17 deadline can request a filing extension until Oct 15 by filing Form 4868. Extension is to file, not to pay. Pay Fed inc tax due by 5/17/21 to avoid interest & penalties.

THE COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE HAS EXTENDED THE DUE DATE FOR NY PERSONAL INCOME TAX RETURNS, AND RELATED TAX PAYMENTS, FOR THE 2020 TAX YEAR FROM APRIL 15, 2021, TO MAY 17, 2021.

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/NYTAX/bulletins/2c82225

NEW JERSEY ANNOUNCED THAT THE STATE INCOME TAX FILING AND PAYMENT DUE DATE FOR INDIVIDUALS FOR THE 2020 TAX YEAR WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY EXTENDED FROM APRIL 15, 2021, TO MAY 17, 2021, TO MIRROR ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE IRS.

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/03/19/irs-extends-tax-deadline-for-individuals-to-may-17

HOW TO INCREASE YOUR FEES WITH CURRENT CLIENTS

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/firm-management/article/21212967/how-to-increase-your-feeswith-current-

clients?utm\_source=CPA+Technology+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN21030 5004&o\_eid=3448I1920423D1X&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C3448I1920423D1X&oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

AS A CPA, WHAT DO YOU HEAR WHEN YOU LISTEN TO YOUR CLIENTS?

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/firm-management/article/21214610/what-do-you-hear-when-you-listen-to-your-clients

HIRING MISTAKES HURT MORE DURING THE PANDEMIC

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/payroll/news/21215005/hiring-mistakes-hurt-more-during-the-pandemic?utm\_source=CPA+Payroll+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN210318 002&o\_eid=0663D9154545D7U&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C0663D9154545D7U&oly\_enc\_i d=0663D9154545D7U

4 KEYS TO SUCCESSFUL TECHNOLOGY PLANNING

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/firm-management/article/21209724/4-keys-to-successful-technology-

<u>planning?utm\_source=CPA+Technology+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN210318003&o\_eid=3448I1920423D1X&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C3448I1920423D1X&oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X</u>

## \$10,200 UNEMPLOYMENT TAX BREAK: IRS PLANS TO AUTOMATICALLY PROCESS REFUNDS

https://www.cnbc.com/2021/03/19/10200-unemployment-tax-break-irs-to-automatically-process-refunds.html

FACE MASKS AND OTHER PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/face-masks-and-other-personal-protective-equipment-to-prevent-the-spread-of-covid-19-are-tax-deductible

THE RIGHT TO CONFIDENTIALITY IS A FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT OF ALL TAXPAYERS

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/the-right-to-confidentiality-is-a-fundamental-right-of-all-taxpayers

PEOPLE WHO ADOPT MAY BENEFIT FROM THIS SPECIAL TAX CREDIT

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/people-who-adopt-may-benefit-from-this-special-tax-credit

DOES A SOLE PROPRIETOR NEED WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE?

https://succeedasyourownboss.com/ask-smallbizlady-does-a-sole-proprietor-need-workers-compensation-insurance/?utm\_source=email&utm\_medium=broadcast&utm\_campaign=ezine

SBA TO INCREASE LENDING LIMIT FOR COVID-19 ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOANS

https://www.sba.gov/article/2021/mar/24/sba-increase-lending-limit-covid-19-economic-injury-disaster-loans?utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=govdelivery

NYS REMAINS UNDECIDED ON UNEMPLOYMENT TAX EXEMPTION

https://www.news10.com/news/ny-news/nys-remains-undecided-on-unemployment-tax-exemption/

IRS EXTENDS ADDITIONAL TAX DEADLINES FOR INDIVIDUALS TO MAY 17

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-extends-additional-tax-deadlines-for-individuals-to-may-17

## ● <u>IRS TO RECALCULATE TAXES ON UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS; REFUNDS TO START IN MAY</u>

IRS will take steps to automatically refund money this spring/summer to people who filed tax return reporting unemployment before recent changes made by the American Rescue Plan.

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-to-recalculate-taxes-on-unemployment-benefits-refunds-to-start-in-may

## NJ SAYS ALL UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION IS INCOME FOR PURPOSES OF SR FREEZE PROGRAM

The NJ Div of Tax has advised that all unemployment comp is income for purposes of the Sr Freeze Program, regardless of whether an exclusion for the income is provided for fed income tax purposes.

### NO BUSINESS IS TOO SMALL TO BE ATTACKED

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/small-business/news/21215561/no-business-is-too-small-to-be-

attacked?utm\_source=CPA+Payroll+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN2103250 02&o\_eid=0663D9154545D7U&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C0663D9154545D7U&oly\_enc\_id=0663D9154545D7U

## THE KEY TO EFFECTIVE CHANGE MANAGEMENT: DON'T FORGET THE HUMAN ELEMENT

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/firm-management/article/21211692/the-key-to-effective-change-management-dont-forget-the-human-element?utm\_source=CPA+Technology+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN210325003&o\_eid=3448I1920423D1X&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C3448I1920423D1X&oly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

## IRS RAMPS UP COVID FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/tax-compliance/news/21216177/irs-ramps-up-covid-fraud-investigations?utm\_source=CPA+Tax+%26+Compliance&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CC\_SN210328002&o\_eid=3448I1920423D1X&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C3448I1920423D1X&o\_ly\_enc\_id=3448I1920423D1X

#### HOW COVID CHANGED THE ACCOUNTING PROFESSION FOR GOOD

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/accounting-audit/news/21216180/how-covid-changed-the-accounting-profession-for-

good?utm\_source=CPA+Small+Business+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN210 330002&o\_eid=3448l1920423D1X&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C3448l1920423D1X&oly\_enc\_id=3448l1920423D1X

### **THE BEST RETIREMENT SAVINGS OPTIONS FOR 20-SOMETHINGS**

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/payroll/news/21216360/the-best-retirement-savings-options-for-

20somethings?utm\_source=CPA+Payroll+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN210 330003&o\_eid=0663D9154545D7U&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C0663D9154545D7U&oly\_e\_nc\_id=0663D9154545D7U

**IRS WARNS UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND STAFF OF IMPERSONATION EMAIL SCAM** 

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-warns-university-students-and-staff-of-impersonation-email-scam

EMERGENCY AID GRANTED TO STUDENTS DUE TO COVID IS NOT TAXABLE

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/emergency-aid-granted-to-students-due-to-covid-is-not-taxable

NYS TAX DEPT ISSUES GUIDANCE ON THE TAX TREATMENT OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMP

NY State personal inc tax is decoupled from this federal provision. Any unemployment comp that is excluded from fed gross income must be added back when filing your NY State return.

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/NYTAX/bulletins/2ca9827

● IRS SUSPENDS REQUIREMENT TO REPAY EXCESS ADVANCE PAYMENTS OF THE 2020 PREMIUM TAX CREDIT; THOSE CLAIMING NET PREMIUM TAX CREDIT MUST FILE FORM 8962

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-suspends-requirement-to-repay-excess-advance-payments-of-the-2020-premium-tax-credit-those-claiming-net-premium-tax-credit-must-file-form-8962

TAXPAYERS WHO ALREADY FILED THEIR 2020 TAX RETURN &WHO HAVE EXCESS APTO FOR 2020 DO NOT NEED TO FILE AN AMENDED RETURN OR CONTACT THE IRS. IRS WILL REIMBURSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE ALREADY REPAID ANY EXCESS ADVANCE PREMIUM TAX CREDIT ON THEIR 2020 TAX RETURN.

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-suspends-requirement-to-repay-excess-advance-payments-of-the-2020-premium-tax-credit-those-claiming-net-premium-tax-credit-must-file-form-8962

IRS PROVIDES GUIDANCE ON TAX RELIEF FOR DEDUCTION OF FOOD/BEVERAGES FROM RESTAURANTS

https://njcpa.org/article/2021/04/08/irs-provides-guidance-on-tax-relief-for-deduction-of-food-beverages-from-restaurants

MANAGING STATE TAXES IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

https://www.thetaxadviser.com/issues/2021/apr/state-taxes-uncertain-world.html

DEADLINE FOR IRA DEDUCTIONS ALSO EXTENDED TO MAY 17, 2021

https://www.taxpracticeadvisor.com/individual-income-taxes/news/21216368/deadline-for-iradeductions-also-extended-to-may-17-2021

21% OF BUSINESS EXECS PLAN TO REDUCE OFFICE SPACE POST-COVID

https://www.cpapracticeadvisor.com/small-business/news/21216178/21-of-business-execs-plan-to-reduce-office-space-

postcovid?utm\_source=CPA+Payroll+Advisor&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CCSN2103310 06&o\_eid=0663D9154545D7U&rdx.ident%5Bpull%5D=omeda%7C0663D9154545D7U&oly\_enc\_id=0663D9154545D7U

**TOP 8 THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN SETTING A TECH-SPEND BUDGET** 

https://www.withum.com/resources/top-8-things-to-consider-when-setting-a-tech-spend-budget/?utm\_source=marketo&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=dtt&utm\_content=&mkt\_tok=N\_DIOLUtCSy01ODIAAAF8Uplz7SP\_-jy-

<u>1dyGYV74CtYW3viiQcVmxTJ2zX3PsqeaMYUe9as2MCh7Uicn5YQ69tTll9ilSiSFEGBeMXl5XK8ski73pXhD81aSxNYoAap</u>

### SHUTTERED VENUE OPERATORS GRANT

This grant provides emergency assistance for eligible venues affected by COVID-19.

https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options/shuttered-venue-operators-grant?utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=govdelivery

## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TAX INCREASE LOOMS IN MANY STATES

https://www.nfib.com/content/analysis/national/unemployment-insurance-tax-increase-looms-in-many-states/?utm\_campaign=eNews04012021&utm\_source=eNewsNJ&utm\_medium=Email&mem=0&mkt\_tok=NDgzLVNZTS0wNDkAAAF8Lc3cjK\_ghXf6luufDo8UTjQdRCxJ0jbo4Fk6saa1ZikPcGekdb4AjmsLurcFmDZwVweyBDa22lZu2rUQrcFMPTKqi18JyJuwO3Syjpy

### IRS AND COVID VACCINE EMAIL SCAMS PROLIFERATING THIS TAX SEASON

https://www.accountingtoday.com/news/irs-and-covid-vaccine-email-scams-proliferating-this-tax-season

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