



## ASSOCIATION OF FLIGHT ATTENDANTS - CWA, AFL-CIO HAWAIIAN AIRLINES MASTER EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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Dear Fellow Flight Attendants:

The following are items and resources for our group. Please continue to reach out to us with your questions and concerns. Our AFA leadership makes every attempt to answer your questions with expediency.

### **COVID-19 – Company Update #32, highlights**

#### **Household Hardship Relief Fund**

If you live on O'ahu and have been financially impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic, a new City & County of Honolulu program may be able to assist you with household expenses. The COVID-19 Household Hardship Relief Fund (HHRF) provides up to \$1,000 per month for mortgage, rent, utilities, and other emergency costs. An additional \$500 per month may be available for childcare programs recognized by the Department of Human Services. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and funds are paid directly to the vendor. See [HHRF application guidelines](#).

#### **No Need to Reapply to Continue Unemployment Insurance Benefits**

Contract employees who elect to extend their voluntary leave/furlough and are receiving Unemployment Insurance benefits do not need to re-apply or start a new claim to continue receiving benefits. Simply keep filing your weekly or bi-weekly claim based on your state's requirements. See the [UI Online Certification Filing Schedule](#) and review the [State Unemployment Resource Chart](#) for more information on state requirements.

Visit our [Unemployment Benefits Page](#) and [FAQs](#) for more information.

#### **One-on-One Virtual Retirement Sessions**

Sign up for a 20-minute one-to-one virtual meeting with a 401(k) counselor from Empower to discuss your retirement future during this challenging time, including specific questions you may have about the [CARES Act](#). Limited sessions are available today and tomorrow, so [register now](#) to select a date and time.

### **COVID 19 – AFA EAP Resource**

#### **Free or Lower Priced Insulin for Diabetics**

If you or a loved one is struggling to afford insulin, especially those losing health insurance because of the coronavirus pandemic, you may qualify for sharply reduced insulin prices, even free. All three top insulin makers offer programs to help patients. Please pass this information along to anyone you know who could benefit from this information.

In April, Novo Nordisk announced a new program offering free insulin for at least 3 months to those who have lost their job and their health insurance, or they've started paying for insurance under the COBRA program. The program will run until the end of the year. Some patients can stay on the benefit longer than three months, including those denied Medicaid benefits during this time and those on Medicare. For more information, go to <https://www.novocare.com/diabetes-overview/let-us-help/pap.html>

The new Lilly insulin Value Program provides Humalog and most other Lilly insulins for \$35/month to those with private insurance and those without insurance. Lilly hasn't set a time limit on this program. For more information, contact the Lilly Diabetes Solution Center at 833-808-1234.

Sanofi's copay assistance lets most patients with private insurance get Lantus and other insulins for free or \$10/mth. A year ago, the company improved its Insulins Valyou Savings Program, allowing uninsured patients regardless of income to buy insulin products for \$99/mth. Qualified low and middle income patients can get insulin and other Sanofi medicines for free through the Sanofi Patient Connection Program. For more information, go to [sanofipatientconnection.com](http://sanofipatientconnection.com) or call 888-847-4877.

### **MANDATORY TRAVEL DECLARATION FORM**

We have received reports that these forms and the new process has been running pretty smoothly. As a reminder, the State of Hawaii is providing these forms for all passengers and crew members coming into the state. Please be advised that Flight Attendants are required to complete and submit this new form to the state agents upon arrival. This form will be distributed in addition to the State of Hawaii Agriculture form. Of note, you will collect ONLY the State of Hawaii Agriculture forms from passengers before landing.

### **SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (SMS) and WBAT Reports**

Many of our Flight Attendants have been concerned about the company's May 8 social distancing safety initiative. Please know that our Air Safety, Health and Security (ASHS) Team recommends that you fill out a WBAT form with your concerns. SMS is designed to monitor and track data so that solutions can be discussed. Some of you may know that if you do not fill out the form, then the company – and AFA – might not know of your concerns and questions. Please encourage your flying partners to also utilize this important safety tool!

### **ZOOM Briefing**

For those of you who look forward to our Zoom updates, please know that we will post our webinars in the MEC Communications so you can anticipate our schedule. We hope to give you at least one day's notice for the Zoom calls.

As we all face the uncertainty ahead of us, please continue to take care of yourselves and loved ones!

In Unity, Sharon, Scott, Joni, Jaci-Ann, Josh  
and the Entire AFA Leadership