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# BWC extends premium due date until Sept. 1

Second deferral in COVID-19 pandemic

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COLUMBUS – Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced today the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) is deferring the due date for employers to pay their June, July, and August premium installments until Sept.1.

Governor DeWine said the deferral is designed to help employers focus resources on re-opening their businesses under his Responsible RestartOhio Plan, the state's effort to restart the economy while keeping Ohioans safe amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

“By extending the premium due date, businesses can continue to focus on the safety and well-being of their employees and customers during this health pandemic,” said Governor DeWine.

BWC Administrator/CEO Stephanie McCloud noted the deferral is the second deadline extension given to employers since COVID-19 emerged in Ohio in March.

“We've said since the beginning of this pandemic we would do our best to relieve the financial pressures employers are facing in this unprecedented time,” said Administrator

McCloud. “This is our latest step, and I’m grateful to Ohio’s employer community, our stakeholders, and our staff for putting us in a strong position to help.”

Among several actions to help the business community’s bottom line, BWC sent Ohio’s private and public employers nearly \$1.6 billion in dividends in late April thanks to strong investment returns, declining injury claims, and other costs savings. The agency is also sending at least 2 million face coverings to employers and their workforce to weaken the spread of the coronavirus under its [Protecting Ohio’s Workforce — We’ve Got You Covered](#) plan.

For more on BWC as it relates to COVID-19, please visit [bwc.ohio.gov](http://bwc.ohio.gov) or email us at [BWCCOVID19@bwc.state.oh.us](mailto:BWCCOVID19@bwc.state.oh.us).

For more on COVID-19, including prevention guidelines and its impact on Ohio, visit the Ohio Department of Health website [coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://coronavirus.ohio.gov).

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Established in 1912, the Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation is the exclusive provider of workers’ compensation insurance in Ohio and serves 249,000 public and private employers. With 1,800 employees and assets of approximately \$28 billion, BWC is the largest state-run insurance system in the United States. Our mission is to protect Ohio’s workers and employers through the prevention, care and management of workplace injuries and illnesses at fair rates. For more, visit [www.bwc.ohio.gov](http://www.bwc.ohio.gov).

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