## Welcome to the

## **RESEA Program**

Reemployment Services & Eligibility
Assessment Program



## What is RESEA?

**RESEA** is the Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment Program.

This is a U.S. Department of Labor program that provides *individualized reemployment* services to help people get back to work sooner.



## Why were you selected for RESEA?

You fall into one of two categories:

1. You are a transitioning or ex-service member who is receiving unemployment insurance (UI) benefits.

Or

 You are collecting UI benefits and based upon variables you have been identified as likely to exhaust your UI benefits before returning to work.



## Purpose of the Program

- To reduce the duration of UI benefits through improved employment outcomes, including earnings.
- To ensure an individual claiming UI benefits continues to be eligible for those benefits.



# During your virtual RESEA meeting

You will speak with a staff person to discuss:

 Services/training to help you return to work sooner.

Unemployment Insurance Eligibility.



# One-on-One Discussion Reemployment Review

- ✓ Collaborate and determine what service(s) will be beneficial to your job search.
- ✓ Schedule mandatory service(s).
- Review your weekly UI Work Search efforts from the prior week.

#### Forms to be completed during review:

- Your Job Search Skills Assessment.
- UI Eligibility Questionnaire.
- Individual Reemployment Plan.





# One-on-One Discussion Unemployment Insurance Eligibility Review

Verify that you are compliant with your responsibilities and understand your rights as a recipient of Unemployment Compensation.

### **Review:**

- UI Eligibility Questionnaire
- UI Work Search Record for previous week





## Your Unemployment Rights...

You are responsible for reading and carefully reviewing

The Guide to Unemployment Insurance

After filing your initial claim for UI benefits, you were provided a Benefit Rights Statement that can be found by clicking the **View Correspondence** tab in your ReEmployCT account.



### **Unemployment Insurance Requirements**

### Each week you file a claim for benefits you must:

- Be able and available for full-time work.
- Be actively seeking full-time work.
- Enter your job search activities during the weekly certification process in ReEmployCT.
- Report any wages you earn for the week in which the work was performed NOT when you received payment for that week.
- Immediately report any return to work (or return to school/training) at <u>Report Return to Work</u>.



## Just to clarify...

Each week you file a claim for benefits, you must:

- 1. Actively look for full-time work.
- 2. Make a minimum of *3 work search activity efforts* per week.
- 3. Document all efforts to find work.
- 4. Be prepared to provide proof of your work search activities.

Failure to meet all efforts requirements could result in an overpayment or disqualification of benefits!

**Note:** Your efforts are subject to verification and could be verified even after you have returned to work if selected for audit.



## What is a work search activity effort?

Work Search Activities that **must include at least 1 employer contact** and may include the following combinations of 3 work search activities:

- 3 employer contacts, or
- 2 employer contacts and 1 other work search activity, or
- 1 employer contact and 2 other work search activities.



### **Work Search Activities**

Work search activities can be in person or virtual and may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Contacting an employer for full-time work
  - You must have at least 1 employer contact in your weekly efforts.
- Attending a workshop provided by an American Job Center.
- Attending a job fair.
- Participating in reemployment service activities provided by an American Job Center.



### **Work Search Activities Continued**

Work search activities can be in person or virtual and may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Creating a reemployment plan.
- Attending a job interview.
- Creating, uploading and making a résumé viewable to employers in <u>CTHires</u>, Connecticut's State Job Bank.
- Creating a personal user profile on a professional networking site.



## Each week you file a claim for benefits:

You must keep a record/log of your job search efforts for all weeks that includes at least 1 contact with an employer and includes:

#### For Employer Contacts:

- Activity/Contact Date
- Employer Name, Address and Phone
- Method of Contact
- Name of Person Contacted/Job Order Number
- Job/position applied for
- Status (waiting, not hired, interviewed, etc.)

#### For Other Work Search Activities:

- Activity Date
- Work Search Activity
- Service Provider/Contact person
- Place of activity (location, virtual)
- Any other details/Comments



## Just to clarify...

Acceptable contact methods for employers include:

- In-person
- Mail (postal or email)
- Internet
- Phone
- Fax



### **Work Search Information**

Information on work search requirements and a records form for guidance may be found at <u>Work Search (ct.gov)</u>

 File your weekly claim and work search efforts on the <u>Sunday prior to your RESEA meeting</u>. Your work search efforts will be reviewed during the RESEA meeting.



# American Job Center (AJC) Self-Service Career Center Services (No cost) (For Job Search Purposes Only)



- Personal Computers with *Microsoft Word* and *Internet access*
- Printers/Copiers
- Résumé Paper
- Fax
- Postage
- Assistive Technology

### Schedule a time slot at:

Request for Employment
Services / Career Center form
(jotform.com)



# American Job Center Virtual Workshops

Sign up through <a href="CTHires">CTHires</a>

Fundamentals of Résumé Writing

Successful Job Search Strategies

Interviewing Strategies & Techniques

Additional workshops may be available



# American Job Center Virtual or In-person Career Services

- Résumé critiques from Certified Professional Résumé Writers (CPRWs)
- Career Counseling and Assessments
- Referrals to other Services and Programs

### Schedule an appointment at:

Request for Employment Services
/ Career Center form
(jotform.com)





### **Veteran Services**

Veterans and eligible spouses are given priority of service for receipt of employment, training and placement services.

Our staff can provide intensive career services for individuals facing significant barriers to employment.

Please let us know if you are a veteran or eligible spouse.





# Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)



Federally-funded re-employment program available in every state and U.S. Territory

Benefits provided can include one or more of the following:

- Customized job search support
- Funds for short-term classroom and/or online training or certifications at local educational institutions
- On-the-job training incentives for employers to hire Dislocated Workers
- Supportive services assistance for childcare and transportation expenses



## No Cost Remote Job Training

- Metrix Learning offers a full suite of on-line learning classes.
- Classes can yield industry-recognized certificates, apprenticeship instructional hours, college credit, skills to help enhance your résumé, and much more.
- Visit CT Jobs and Resources:
   https://business.ct.gov/jobs-and-resources



### **Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)**

https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/tradeact

Provides assistance to workers separated from employment due to foreign competition, such as a shift in production or services to a foreign country or a decline in sales or in production of articles or supply of services.

- Re-employment Services
- Training Opportunities
- Additional Income Support
- Job Search and Relocation Allowances



Contact dol.taaunit@ct.gov for more information





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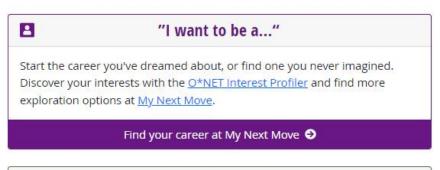
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ATTN: VETERANS

https://www.onetonline.org/







- Find job descriptions that you can use to identify keywords and develop your résumé.
- Find jobs that match your interests, skills, and experience.
- Learn how to translate your job to other careers.
- Explore careers with potential growth.
- Obtain salary information/ranges.
- Learn about skills that are in demand.



## What is <a href="CTHires">CTHires</a>?

The Connecticut Department of Labor's Job Bank.

 A workforce development system to connect job seekers with employers.

 A system featuring thousands of REAL Connecticut jobs – no spam or duplicates.







### **Employers**

- Are registered and verified by the Connecticut Department of Labor before they can use CTHires.
- Can search a résumé database at no cost.
- Can contact job seekers about jobs.
- Can post jobs at no cost.

### **Job Seekers**

- Can search for jobs.
- Can post résumés so they can be found by employers.
- Can set up Virtual Recruiters to be notified about new jobs.



## **Virtual Recruiter**

- A tool that immediately notifies you when new jobs matching your criteria have been posted.
- You control the specifics of the search criteria, how often you are notified and the method of contact.





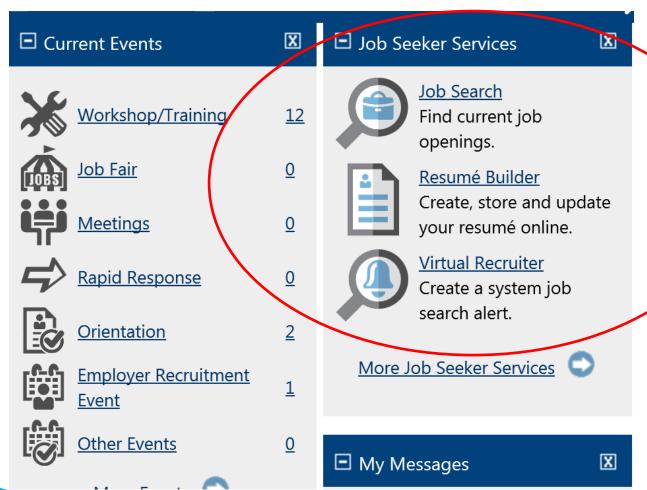
## **Virtual Recruiter**

#### **Steps to create a Virtual Recruiter in CTHires:**

- 1. To create a Virtual Recruiter, you must be a registered user of CTHires. If you are not registered, go to <a href="https://www.CTHires.com">www.CTHires.com</a> and follow the instructions to create an account.
- 2. Click on the Menu link in the upper left area of the screen. Under the **Quick Menu** tab in the left navigation bar, click on the **Job Search** tab.
- 3. In the first keyword box, enter the Job Title, Company or Occupation (ex: Computer Programmer or Travelers). In the second keyword box, enter a City, State or Zip Code (ex: Hartford or Connecticut). You may select additional search criteria if you choose. Click on the **Search** button.
- 4. The job search summary page will display search results. Click on the **Save Search** button at the bottom of the page.
- 5. Complete the following required fields in the Virtual Recruiter Information section:
  - a. Title of Virtual Recruiter Alert
  - b. How often to run
  - c. Notification Method
  - d. Expires on
- 6. Click on the **Save** button.



## **Your CTHires Dashboard**





# Are You Interested in Hearing About Hiring Events and Job Openings in Your Area?

Sign up for our Distribution List!

Visit the Business Engagement webpage at

www.CTDOLBusinessTeam.com

and click on "Upcoming Recruitment Events" to view events and sign up for our email list.

Subscribe Here to receive emails in your region.

#### PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

### BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT TEAM >

Put your company on a path to greater success.

## UPCOMING RECRUITMENT EVENTS >

View and sign up to receive email notifications of local employer recruitment events.

#### CTHIRES >

Post jobs and search the profiles of talented job seekers.

Follow @CTHires for job postings.

Recruitment and hiring event information delivered to your inbox when you sign up for email alerts

**Employer Events & Career Fairs** 



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT FILING YOUR WEEKLY CLAIM

- File your weekly claim for benefits on-line at <u>ReEmployCT</u> using your mobile friendly device - smartphone, tablet or computer.
- Claim weeks are Sunday through Saturday; you can file a weekly claim up to Saturday.
- ReEmployCT offers 24/7 access to view your payment history.
- In ReEmployCT, click on the Weekly Certification link under Quick Links to file your weekly certification.
- Online filing is safe, secure and convenient.



## We look forward to serving you!



