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To: New York Community Banks

FROM ICBA

SBA working to identify potential PPP updates

The SBA on Saturday said it is working to ensure the Paycheck Protection Program appropriately accounts for the changes that businesses may have undergone since the beginning of the pandemic.

[In a message](#) noting it is receiving many lender questions on the PPP, the SBA said it is working to identify potential program and system updates recognizing changes in entity size, location or staffing, methods of operation, organizational structure, and changes in ownership. The SBA also said it is working to improve the information provided to lenders about various issues and error messages and how lenders can help clear issues as expeditiously as possible.

The message also includes several reminders, such as:

- The SBA may review any PPP loan, of any size, at any time, as the agency administrator deems appropriate.
- If a borrower's First Draw PPP Loan is under review by SBA, the lender will receive notification from SBA when the lender submits an application for a guaranty of a Second Draw PPP Loan and will not receive an SBA loan number until the issue related to the first-draw loan is resolved.
- The Borrower's Disclosure of Certain Controlling Interests Form 3508-D should be completed only by borrowers that received a PPP loan before Dec. 27, 2020, and that were controlled by certain government officials at the time the loan was made. Lenders should follow the instructions on the form for when the borrower should submit the form to the lender and when the lender should submit the form to SBA. For example, borrowers that submitted forgiveness applications to lenders before Dec. 27 should submit the form to their lender by tomorrow, Jan. 26. Timing for lender submission of the form to SBA depends on whether the lender has already submitted the forgiveness decision to SBA.

Additional information and resources are available on the [SBA](#) and [Treasury](#) PPP pages, ICBA's [PPP and EIP News](#) page, the Independent Bankers Association of Texas's [matrix of PPP updates](#) in the stimulus law, and [ICBA's summary](#) of the stimulus package's community banking provisions.

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Treasury plans EIP outreach for unserved households

The Treasury Department [announced](#) plans to help the up to 8 million households that have not yet been able to access either round of Economic Impact Payments. Treasury said it will establish new online tools for claiming payments, work to reach households that were issued—but did not cash—their payments, and analyze unserved households to target outreach efforts. ICBA continues updating its [frequently asked questions](#) on the second round of EIPs. Additional information is available on the IRS's [EIP webpage](#) and the [EIP Card page](#).

Yellen nomination advances in Senate

The Senate Finance Committee unanimously approved the nomination of Janet Yellen for Treasury secretary. The committee vote sends Yellen's nomination to the full Senate for a final confirmation vote, which is scheduled for tonight. If confirmed, Yellen will take over from Acting Treasury Secretary Andy Baukol, previously a Treasury official focused on international monetary policy. Other key agency heads operating in an acting capacity are Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Chief Strategy Officer David

Uejio as acting CFPB director and SBA chief financial officer Tami Perriello as acting SBA administrator. President Joe Biden has nominated Federal Trade Commission Commissioner Rohit Chopra for CFPB director and California Office of the Small Business Advocate Director Isabel Guzman for SBA administrator.

FROM OTHER SOURCES

- A bipartisan group of 16 senators told Brian Deese, Director of the White House National Economic Council, Jeff Zients, Biden's coronavirus coordinator and Louisa Terrell, head of White House legislative affairs that Biden's \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus plan (which includes \$1,400 direct payments) gives too much aid to high-income Americans. The senators reportedly agreed on the need to spend more on vaccine distribution, making that the topline priority over other provisions such as the \$15 minimum wage. ([Politico](#))
- The U.S. reported **1,940** Covid-19 deaths and **143,000** new coronavirus cases Sunday. That's the lowest new case number since Dec. 1, excepting Christmas, according to the Covid Tracking Project.
- The new Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Rochelle Walensky, acknowledged the federal government [does not have enough](#) doses to send to New York and other states that are claiming to have run out of vaccine.
- CDC Director Walensky will sign a separate order Monday requiring masks on all airplanes, ferries, trains, subways, buses, taxis, and ride-share vehicles for all travelers two and older. The new requirements will take effect in the coming days. On Tuesday, new CDC rules take effect requiring all international air travelers age two and older to present a negative coronavirus test taken within three calendar days of travel or proof of recovery from COVID-19 to enter the United States." <https://www.politico.com/newsletters/playbook/2021/01/25/republicans-feel-the-squeeze-on-impeachment-491510?nname=playbook&nid=0000014f-1646-d88f-a1cf-5f46b7bd0000&nrid=00000152-f737-dcf0-a7d7-f73fb7700001&nlid=630318>

FROM NEW YORK

- Governor Cuomo on Sunday updated New Yorkers on the state's progress during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. 8,613 patients were hospitalized statewide; 1,527 patients were in the ICU; 997 were Intubated; statewide positivity rate is 5.09%, and there were 160 COVID-19 Deaths. For a full regional breakout of the data: <https://empirereportnewyork.com/governor-cuomo-updates-new-yorkers-on-states-progress-during-covid-19-pandemic-54/>
- Senator Schumer is now the first Senate Majority Leader from the Empire State. [This week's cover story](#) asks: Will he be able to deliver long-awaited help from Washington?
- Democratic rule in Congress amid the coronavirus pandemic could expose simmering tensions between New York's two political titans – Cuomo and Schumer, [the Post reports](#).
- Statewide, hospitalizations are falling as new COVID cases are stabilizing after a holiday surge. But hospitalizations, along with deaths, are seen as a lagging indicator for just how bad the recent spike was during the pandemic. [More here](#).
- Even as New York City officials focus on vaccinating millions of residents, the coronavirus continues to spread, with more than 50 ZIP codes [showing a positive test rate over 10 percent](#). Each day recently has typically seen about 5,000 new cases of the virus and has recorded more than 60 new deaths.
- [More than 1.1 million](#) COVID-19 vaccines have been given to New Yorkers.

- Some of New York's biggest employers are urging local leaders to let them help with the Covid-19 vaccination effort, arguing that the slow rollout is putting the state's economic recovery at risk. Goldman Sachs Group Inc., JPMorgan Chase & Co., Citigroup Inc. and KKR & Co. were among a few dozen companies that got on a call Thursday with the state's vaccination czar, Larry Schwartz, according to people who participated. https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-01-22/wall-street-presses-new-york-to-let-it-help-speed-up-vaccines?mkt_tok=eyJpIjoiWW1Nd01qa3dNR1UxWm1RdyIsInQiOiJvQ3N2Vm1Wd3kya01GOUF1SFhWd2hMc1wvNWZBQUYwT1VqVkJBUEpIRnRlYVZ0VHJBV0xcLzdMMWIMUIVhVWNXTWlnNG1TZHlpVmlcL0hUZnljdW5wbXZRXC95QTJjbkNKUWxNWkVjM3hmVHhkXC82ZHZhREJ4WnVRZW9JZGhPaWFaYVNVIn0%3D

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