

COBRA Premium Subsidy Program Extended - December 30, 2009

On December 19, 2009, President Obama signed into law the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010 (DOD) which extends the 65% COBRA premium subsidy to February 28, 2010.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provided a government subsidy of 65% of the cost of COBRA coverage for employees (and their eligible family members) who lost their health insurance coverage due to involuntary termination of employment in 2009. The subsidy was to last for up to 9 months. The DOD extends the subsidy to 15 months and includes eligible employees (and their eligible family members) who lose their jobs in January or February of 2010.



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