

# Reimbursable Employers

#### What is a reimbursable employer?

 Reimbursable employers (qualifying non-profit organizations and state/local government entities/subdivisions) may choose to reimburse the state for unemployment insurance (UI) benefits charged against their accounts, instead of paying quarterly UI taxes.

**Note:** A contributory employer pays UI taxes based on the employer's benefit charges and taxable wages, and is either not eligible or chooses not to be a reimbursable employer.

## How does an employer become a reimbursable employer?

- An eligible non-profit organization or state/local government can select a reporting type (reimbursable or contributory) when they register for a Maryland UI account in BEACON
   (employer.beacon.labor.md.gov/). Non-profit organizations must provide a 501(c)(3) exemption letter.
- For more, see the Registration video (<u>labor.maryland.gov/employment/uitaxapps.shtml#empvideos</u>).
- Employers may also register for a UI account using the Combined Registration Application (CRA)
   (<u>interactive.marylandtaxes.gov/webapps/comptrollercra</u>). However, employers who register in
   BEACON must also complete the CRA to register for additional state tax accounts or licenses.

#### How can an employer change the reporting type after registering?

- After registering for a Maryland UI account, an employer may change the reporting type within 30 days.
- After 30 days, a reimbursable employer must wait one year to change the reporting type. A
  contributory employer (who is eligible to be reimbursable), must wait two years to request a change. If
  approved, the change will take effect on January 1 of the next year.

Employers can request a change via:

- BEACON (select Account Maintenance, then Change Reporting Method and follow the prompts);
- Email: <u>dluitaxemployerstatus-labor@maryland.gov</u>;
- Phone: 410-949-0033;

Mail: Contributions Unit - Account Maintenance 100 South Charles Street Tower 1, Suite 3100 Baltimore, MD 21201.

## How are reimbursable employers charged for benefits?

- Reimbursable employers receive a **Statement of Reimbursable Benefits Paid**, which lists the claimants who collected benefits during a particular quarter and the benefit charges owed. Employers can protest charges within 30 days (instructions included on the statement).
- Benefit charges are also displayed in BEACON.

# How does an employer know what their reporting type is?

 Log into BEACON and select Wage Summary from the left menu. The reporting type is located in the Employer Information section.