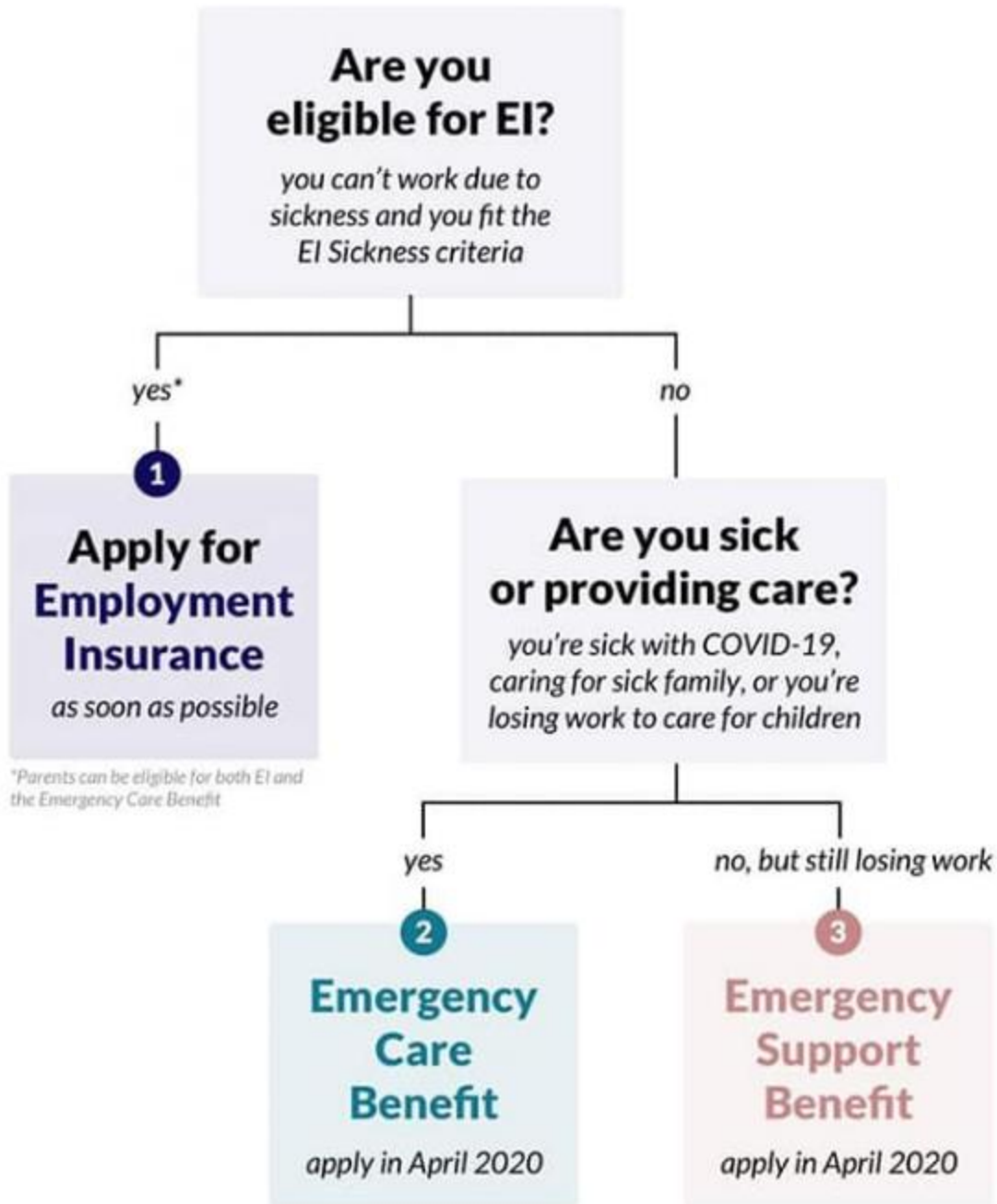


Do you qualify for Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan?

*Information for students,
parents and part-time workers*

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EI Sickness Benefit

You could receive 55% of your insurable earnings* up to a maximum of \$573 a week

*The amounts that are usually reported on a worker's earnings statement and any income reported in box 14 of the T4 slip as gross earnings.

Am I eligible?



You cannot or are unable to work for medical reasons*



Your weekly earnings have been reduced by more than 40%



You have worked for at least 600 hours in the last 52 weeks

*As of the announcement, the requirement to have a medical certificate has been waived

How do I claim it?



Online at canada.ca as soon as possible



If you're not sick but have lost your job through no fault of your own, you'll have to apply for **regular EI benefits**

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Emergency Care Benefit

A new benefit for workers who **aren't eligible for EI**, providing up to \$900 bi-weekly, for up to 15 weeks.

Am I eligible?



Sick or in forced quarantine with COVID-19



Losing work to care for family sick with COVID-19



Losing work to care for children due to school closures*

*Parents can be eligible for both EI and the Emergency Care Benefit

How do I claim it?

You can apply in April 2020 and you must re-prove eligibility every two weeks.



Online at CRA MyAccount Portal



My Service Canada secure account



Calling a toll free number (TBA)

Emergency Support Benefit

There will be a long-term benefit of up to \$5 billion in support for Canadians who are not eligible for EI, but who will lose their jobs or face reduced hours as a result of COVID-19.

Am I eligible?

- You are not eligible for any form of EI
- You've lost your job or hours at your job due to COVID-19
- We don't yet have details about how much or for how long - watch for news on canada.ca

How do I claim it?

- Apply in April 2020



CRA MyAccount Portal



My Service Canada Account



Call a toll free number (TBA)

Other Benefits



Student Loans

- *Automatic benefit*
- *Pause on repayment and interest accumulation*
- *Applies to federal student debt*
- *Mar. 30 to Sept. 30 2020*



Low-Income Families

- *Early May 2020*
- *Doubles maximum annual GST tax credit for 2019-20 year*
- *Average boost will be \$400 for individuals, \$600 for couples*



Families with Children

- *One-time increase to the Canada Child Benefit*
- *Extra \$300 per child*
- *Early May 2020*



Work Sharing Program

- *EI benefits to employees who agree to reduce their hours*
- *Helps reduce layoffs*
- *Employer and employee must apply together*

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