



COVID-19 REMINDERS AND UPDATED NUMBERS

- Members who have tested positive are still advised to contact MCO's outside law firm. Details are on MCO's [COVID-19 info page](#).
 - MCO's COVID-19 page also has info on forced use of leave credits, rapid testing sites, hotel discounts, and our legislative advocacy related to the pandemic.
 - There have been 365 cases confirmed among MDOC staff and 3,314 among inmates. About 7,300 tests are still pending. [MDOC posts the latest numbers \(broken down by facility\) here](#).
- Thank you, members, for your dedication during this time. Stay well.

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR UNEMPLOYMENT FRAUD

MCO has become aware that State officials in the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency (UIA) are warning Michiganders that scammers are actively filing imposter unemployment claims, utilizing stolen or false information, in order to deceive the State and Federal Government and receive unemployment benefits fraudulently.

According to a UIA press release and media reports, no personal data from claimants has been stolen from UIA's system directly and the Michigan State Police Cyber Command Division, Department of Technology Management and Budget and UIA are all coordinating their efforts to stem this threat with the United States Secret Service.

In addition to Michigan, it is believed that Washington, North Carolina, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Oklahoma, Wyoming and Florida have all been targets of similar UIA scam attacks. This news is particularly troubling as unemployment claims continue to skyrocket in Michigan and will lead to in-

terruptions and delays in the UIA filing, verification and payment disbursement process, which is already under severe stress and backlog.

To prevent future incidents and protect yourself, we ask that all MCO members remain vigilant throughout the Coronavirus pandemic and if you believe you are a victim of an imposter claim, please [notify UIA immediately online](#) through the Report Identity Theft link. Members are also encouraged to review [this document](#) created by UIA to protect against identity theft.

As more information becomes available, MCO will continue to send out communications. To ensure you receive these updates, if you haven't already done so, we encourage members to [provide us with their personal or home email address](#) as you may not always have access to work email and not all information can be shared utilizing work accounts.

(Thank you, SEIU Local 517m, for this story.)

Join us at the Crisis Fund Golf Outing Sept. 11

Again this year, MCO is proud to host a golf outing to support the MCO Crisis Fund.

Even if you don't golf, you can help. Sponsorships are available starting at \$25.

The fund assists dues-paying members grappling with a disaster, such as an on-the-job injury, sudden illness, or other devastating event. To those who support the fund, thank you!

MCO Crisis Fund Golf Outing

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 11. Registration starts at 8:15 a.m. Shotgun start at 9 a.m.

WHERE: Ledge Meadows Golf Course, 1801 Grand Ledge Highway, Grand Ledge, MI

COST: \$70 for 18 holes with lunch.

SIGN UP: [Go to our website](#) for a form you can print and fill out. Mail the form and check to MCO Crisis Fund, 421 W. Kalamazoo, Lansing, MI 48933

TO SPONSOR OR GET MORE INFO: The pamphlet on our website includes a sponsor sign up form. Please print it, fill it out and mail with a check to MCO. If you have questions, please call MCO at (517)485-3310.



Reminder:

MCO Scholarship applications must be postmarked by Monday, June 1. [Details are on our website.](#)