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**Covid-19: Tax and Advisory Services** 

### **Employee Retention Credit (ERC) Services**

The CARES Act created the ERC to assist employers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic by providing assistance in the form of a refundable federal payroll tax credit to employers if they were able to continue paying employees. Eligibility and provisions related to the ERC were further expanded and modified under the Consolidated Appropriations Act in December. For 2020, certain employers whose operations were fully or partially suspended due to a government order or whose gross receipts for any calendar quarter were less than 50% of their gross receipts for the same quarter in 2019 may be eligible. The reduction in gross receipts factor for 2021 was reduced to less than 80%. The maximum credit available per employee for 2020 is \$5,000 (\$10,000 X 50%) and for 2021 \$7,000 per employee, per quarter (\$10,000 X 70%).

# Our tax and advisory professionals can assist in making sure you are taking full advantage of the ERC you are eligible for. We can advise you with the following:

- Review qualification under the full or partial shut-down of operations
- Analyze quarterly gross receipts for the significant reduction eligibility factor
- Determine if there are any aggregation requirements for related entities
- Optimize coordination/allocations between any Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans & the ERC
- Quantify qualified, eligible wages and allocable health plan expenses, if applicable
- Compute quarterly credits and advise on filing logistics

#### When it comes to calculation and support, we can help you:

- Document any government mandated full or partial shut-down of operations
- Provide a workpaper package to support all assumptions, data details and computations
- Document any significant decline in gross receipts for applicable quarters
- Review payroll reports to make sure all employees are included
- Maximize and document any coordination/allocation of expenses between PPP loans and the ERC
- Include appropriate health plan expenses
- Compile the data to support the ERC for each applicable quarter

BRC's Covid-19 Assistance Team can give you the professional advice you need for your ERC calculation

> Contact BRC's Employee Retention Credit (ERC) Team at <u>CovidAssist@brccpa.com</u>

Let's start a conversation today so you can take advantage of potential ERC!

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