Lockdown in July and August (and moving into September) 2021 are being managed by States as opposed to the Federal Government.

Please refer to our Guidance uploaded on to our website on 20th August 2021 which contain links to the various Government websites with information and details of how to claim.

Unlike JobKeeper, there is insufficient infrastructure to provide the support you have come to expect from the ATO – but consider that the staff that were managing fishing licenses are now managing the COVID Support payments in NSW, and you can understand everyone will be frustrated.

The good new is: The deadlines are reasonable and none of them are as tight as the ATO’s deadlines for JobKeeper. The documentation is much less, and in most instances, there are no documents for your employees to sign. The Government did learn something from JobKeeper.

**What do you need to do?**

Read the documents that we uploaded on 20th August 2021. Please note that the details for ACT have not yet been released but you can register your interest and we encourage you to do so.

**What we can help you with**

Walk through the decision making process around employees

Assist with Stand Down notices

Decline in turnover tests

Accountants’ Letters

Pre-insolvency discussions, cash flow projections, recovery planning. For many of you, this is too soon to be considering and returning to work will be straight forward, but for others, this won’t be simple so please reach out if you need or want assistance with this – even if just to talk through your options.

**What we can’t help you with**

Many of the application processes must be done electronically using your own personal logins. Whilst some states allow your accountant to apply on your behalf, we have heard this is slowing down payments.

HR and legal Advice

Insolvency advice

Please let us know if we can help in any other ways. We are well aware of the mental fatigue caused by leaning yet another support package when stress levels are already high.