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## Payroll Preparing for Year End



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# PAYROLL: PREPARING FOR YEAR END



#### 2021 Updates

- Minimum Wage Rate: \$8.75 per hour
  - This increase applies to any hours worked in 2021
- Social Security Wage Base: \$142,800
- Federal Unemployment Wage Base: \$7,000
- Montana Unemployment Wage Base: \$35,300
- QuickBooks Desktop 2021 now available
  - Versions 2018 and older will not be supported after May 2021

#### 2021 Contribution Limits

- Health Savings Account Contribution Limits
  - Individual: \$3,600
  - Family: \$7,200
  - Additional for those over 55: \$1,000
- 401(k) & 403(b) Contribution Limits
  - \$19,500
  - Additional for those over 50: \$6,500
- Simple IRA Contribution Limits
  - \$13,500
  - Additional for those over 50: \$3,000



#### Taxable Fringe Benefits

- Personal Use of Company Vehicle
- Group Term Life Insurance in Excess of \$50,000
- Health Insurance paid on behalf of a greater than 2% S Corporation Shareholder-Employee
- De Minimis Gifts/Rewards
- Bonus payments not captured through payroll



#### CARES Act Update

- Families First Coronavirus Response Act (Emergency Paid Leave)
  - Expires on December 31, 2020
  - Extension has been proposed
  - Stay tuned for updates
- Payroll Protection Program Loan
  - Deductible Payroll Expenses
  - Forgiveness Applications

#### Payroll Tax Holiday Update

- Deferral Period
  - September December 2020
- Payment Period
  - January April 2021
- Reporting Requirements
  - Form W-2c



#### Paid Time Off - PTO Policies

- Is a PTO policy the same as Vacation & Sick Leave?
- What is the difference?
- Which is more beneficial?
- Documentation



#### Work Opportunity Tax Credit Program

- Credit for hiring and retaining individuals from designated target groups
  - Qualified veteran
  - Qualified ex-felon
  - Vocational rehabilitation referral
  - SNAP recipient
  - Supplemental Security Income recipient
  - And more
- Pre-screening and certification
- Credit up to \$9,600 per qualifying new hire
  - Claiming the credit

#### Paperless Payroll

- JCCS Portals
  - www.jccscpa.com/login
  - Benefits
  - Storage retention and timeline
- Employee Portals
  - Self-service for updates
  - No requirement to provide physical paystub
     \* with employee authorization
  - Access anytime to paystubs & Form W-2's



#### Employee Portals & Direct Deposit

- Employer Benefits
  - Reduced time and cost
  - Reduced risk of check fraud
  - Reduced recordkeeping
  - Timely payments
- Employee Benefits
  - Immediate access to funds
  - Time saved cashing check
  - No more lost or stolen checks
  - Deposit options to multiple accounts



### QUESTIONS?



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