

How Do I Qualify?

**In receipt of a Social Welfare payment for 12 months or longer and
You must also meet the means test for Jobseekers Allowance
(*see more information about Jobseekers payments below).**

What Do I Get?

**You will continue to receive your Social Welfare payments for 2 years;
100% in year 1
75% in year 2**

**Hold onto a medical card, if you have one prior to being approved for the scheme.
You may be eligible for rent supplement or mortgage interest supplements.
Any monies received through the BTWEA scheme is treated as non taxable income.**

Short Term Enterprise Allowance

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**If you are on Jobseekers Benefit, you qualify immediately to go on the scheme
(**see more information about Jobseekers payments below).
Jobseekers Benefit paid for either 6 or 9 months, depending on your PRSI contributions.**

What Do I Get?

**You can go onto the Short-term Enterprise Allowance for whatever amount of time is left of
your Jobseeker's Benefit entitlement. In other words, if you are entitled to 9 months and
have been 'signing' for 4 months; you will have 5 months on the scheme.**

**You will hold onto a medical card, if you have one prior to being approved for the scheme.
You may continue to be eligible for rent supplements or mortgage interest supplement.
Any monies received on the STEA will be included in your taxable income.
Therefore, you may incur a tax liability from this scheme.**