

## **AARP Foundation Tax-Aide CyberTax**

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**To:** All AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Volunteers

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**Subject:** CyberTax TY2017-05: **IRS Volunteer Tax Alert - 2018-05 Update on Extender Provisions**

Following is a summary of IRS Volunteer Tax Alert - 2018-05 Update on Extender Provisions. To view the full document, [click here](#) to go to the IRS website. *CyberTax is required to be available at all Tax-Aide sites in paper or electronic format.*

**Extenders:** This alert supersedes the previous Volunteer Tax Alerts issued on February 2 and February 16, 2018. The Internal Revenue Service is ready to process tax year 2017 returns claiming the following tax benefits:

Exclusion from gross income of discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness (often, foreclosure-related debt forgiveness), claimed on [Form 982](#)

Mortgage insurance premiums treated as qualified residence interest, generally claimed by low- and middle-income filers on [Schedule A](#), and

Deduction for qualified tuition and related expenses claimed on [Form 8917](#).

Taxpayers who are eligible for any of the three tax benefits mentioned above can now file their tax returns. Eligible taxpayers who already filed their tax returns but did not include these benefits should file amended returns. If a taxpayer visits your site and appears to qualify for the Nonbusiness Energy Property Credit, explain that the taxpayer should wait to file the tax return until further guidance is issued.

Questions about this information should be addressed via the OneSupport Help Center.