

# Standard Household Rate

Project Leadership: Preliminary Analysis

Results

November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016



# Agenda

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Work Stream Update and Today's Objectives



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**Options Development Considerations** 



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Benchmarking / Indexing Rates



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#### **OPTION 8A**

### **Example Analysis**

### Benchmarking/Indexing Rates – LICO – Set rates at a % of LICO

#### Monthly Income Assistance Rates by Household Type - Comparing Rates as a % of LICO

Household Type	Current	70% LICO	80% LICO	90% LICO	100% LICO
Single- OC (Own/Rent)	\$575	s. 14(1)			
Single- OC (Boarding)	\$498				
Single- OC (Disability)	\$810				
Single- 1C	\$845				
Single- 2C	\$895				
Single- 3C	\$895				
Couple- 0 C	\$1,120				
Couple- 1C	\$1,170				
Couple- 2C	\$1,170				
Couple- 3C	\$1,170				
Additional Cost (millions)	\$0				

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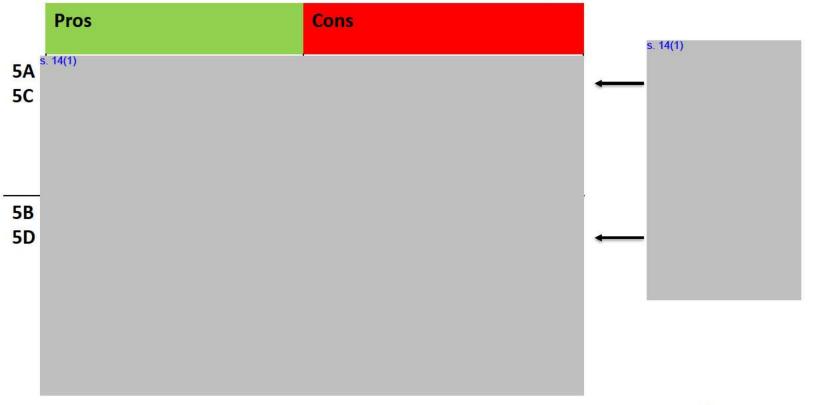


OPTION 5
Benchmarking/Indexing Rates — Summary

Sensitivity	Cost Range	Who Receives Less?	Who Receives More?	Considerations
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### **OPTION 5** Benchmarking/Indexing Rates – Summary







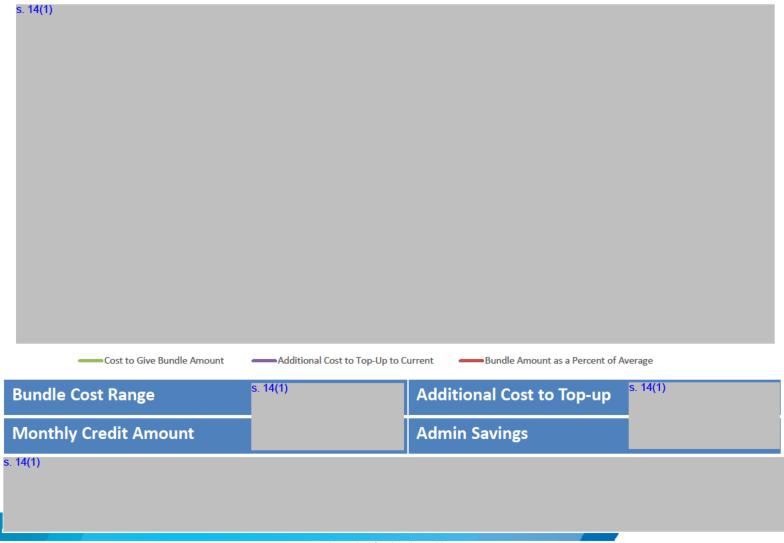
**Special Needs Bundles** 



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#### **OPTION 6A**

### Special Needs Medical Bundle – Analysis Summary



#### OPTION 6



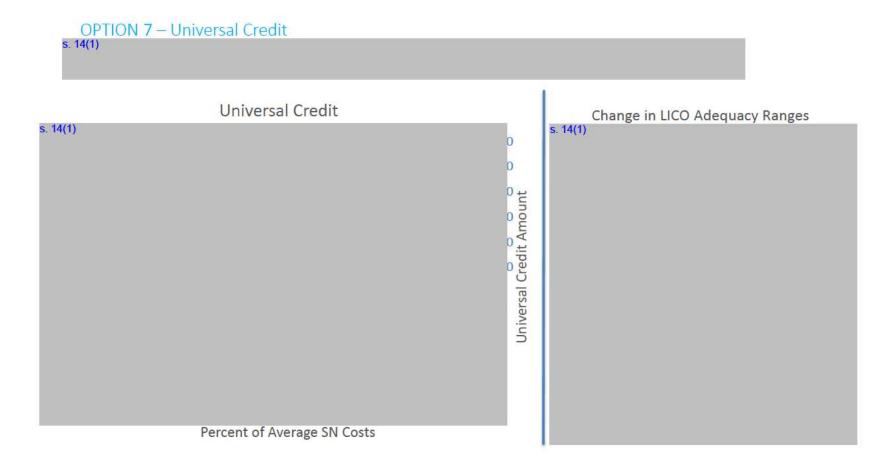
Bundle Cost Range	s. 14(1)	Admin Savings	s. 14(1)
Monthly Credit Amount		s. 14(1)	
s. 14(1)			



**Universal Special Needs Credit** 



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Program Cost Range	s. 14(1)	Administrative Change	s. 14(1)
Monthly Credit Amount		Net Costs	



# OPTION 7 — Universal Credit s. 14(1)

Option	7C			7D	**	*
% of sum(avg)	16%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Pmt Amt	. 14(1)					
Overall Gain						
single-0C						
single-1C						
single-2C						
single-3C						
couple-0C						
couple-1C						
couple-2C						
couple-3C						
		<u>Of</u>	current recei	ivers		
Gains	5. 14(1)					
Loses						
s. 14(1)						



#### **OPTION 7 Continued**

# Universal Credit – Summary

Sub-Option	Program Cost	Admin Change	Net Change	Monthly Payment Amount	Adequacy Change	Overall Considerations
s. 14(1)						
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**Layering Benefits** 



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8A - Layering Benefits

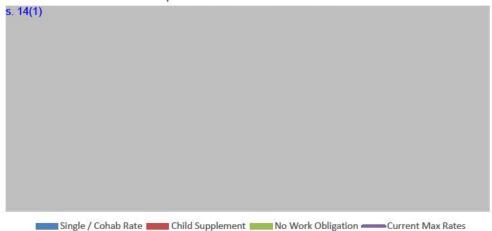


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#### Layered Rates vs Current Rates

### OPTION 8A - 1 Layering Benefits

Scenario Variables	Value	
Single Rate	s. 14(1)	
Cohabitation Rate		
Child Supplement		
Child Ratio		
Disability Supplement		



### Payment Changes

Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	5. 14(1)
Single OC Board	\$489	
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541	
Single 1C	\$768	
Single 2C	\$838	
Single 3C	\$865	
Couple OC	\$1,001	
Couple 1C	\$1,049	
Couple 2C	\$1,074	
Couple 3C	\$1,110	

### Admin Changes

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Cost

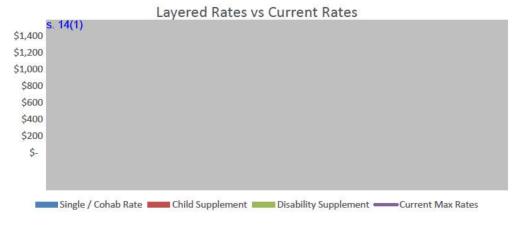
% Rate

Change

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### OPTION 8A - 2 Layering Benefits

Scenario Variables	Value	
Single Rate	s. 14(1)	
Cohabitation Rate		
Child Supplement		
Child Ratio		
Disability Supplement		



#### **Payment Changes Admin Changes** s. 14(1) Current **Future** % Rate **Household Type** Cost Rates 5. 14(1) Applied Rate Change \$761.10 Single OC Reg 45 Single OC Board \$488.78 Single OC Own/Rent \$541.08 Single 1C \$768.11 Single 2C \$838.13 Single 3C \$864.85 Couple 0C \$1,000.52 Couple 1C \$1,049.41 Couple 2C \$1,073.82 Couple 3C \$1,109.59

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s. 14(1)

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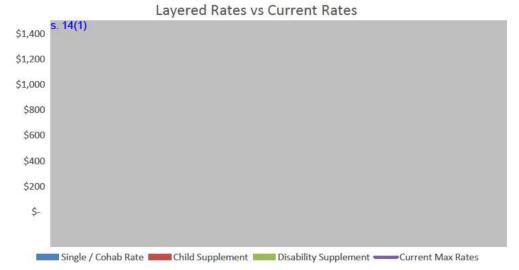
8B - Layering Benefits



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# OPTION 8B - 1 Layering Benefits

Scenario Variables	Value	
Single Rate	s. 14(1)	
Cohabitation Rate		
Child Supplement		
Child Ratio		
Disability Supplement		



### **Payment Changes**

Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	5. 14(1)		
Single OC Board	\$489			
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541			
Single 1C	\$768			
Single 2C	\$838			
Single 3C	\$865			
Couple 0C	\$1,001			
Couple 1C	\$1,049			
Couple 2C	\$1,074			
Couple 3C	\$1,110			

### Admin Changes

s. 14(1)



s. 14(1)

s. 14(1)

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# OPTION 8B - 2 Layering Benefits

Scenario Variables	Value
Single Rate	s. 14(1)
Cohabitation Rate	
Child Supplement	
Child Ratio	
Disability Supplement	





### **Payment Changes**

Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)
Single OC Board	\$489	
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541	
Single 1C	\$768	
Single 2C	\$838	
Single 3C	\$865	
Couple 0C	\$1,001	
Couple 1C	\$1,049	
Couple 2C	\$1,074	
Couple 3C	\$1,110	

### Admin Changes

Single / Cohab Rate Child Supplement Disability Supplement Current Max Rates

s. 14(1)



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s. 14(1)

Cost

% Rate

Change

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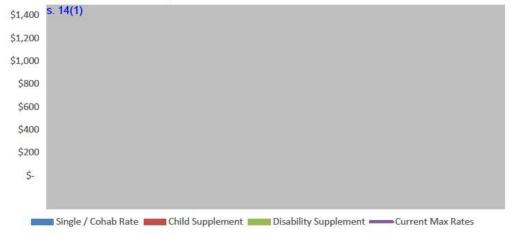
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#### Layered Rates vs Current Rates



Scenario Variables	Value	
Single Rate	s. 14(1)	
Cohabitation Rate	3	
Child Supplement		
Disability Supplement		



### **Payment Changes**

Current **Future** Household Type **Applied** Rates Rate s. 14(1) Single OC Reg 45 \$761 Single OC Board \$489 Single OC Own/Rent \$541 \$768 Single 1C Single 2C \$838 Single 3C \$865 Couple 0C \$1,001 Couple 1C \$1,049 Couple 2C \$1,074 Couple 3C \$1,110

### Admin Changes

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Cost

% Rate

Change

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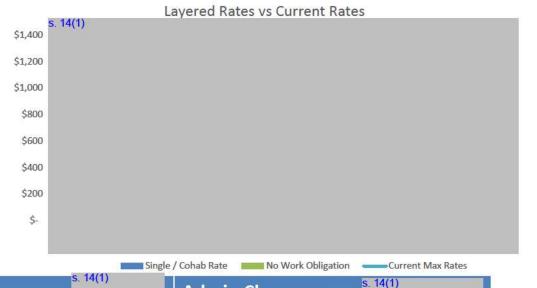
8D - Layering Benefits



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# OPTION 8D - 1 Layering Benefits

Scenario Variables	Value
Single Rate	s. 14(1)
Cohabitation Rate	
Child Supplement	
Disability Supplement	71



### **Payment Changes**

Household Type	Current Applied Rate
Single OC Reg 45	\$761
Single OC Board	\$489
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541
Single 1C	\$768
Single 2C	\$838
Single 3C	\$865
Couple 0C	\$1,001
Couple 1C	\$1,049
Couple 2C	\$1,074
Couple 3C	\$1,110

### Admin Changes

s. 14(1)

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Cost

% Rate

Change

**Future** 

Rates

. 14(1)

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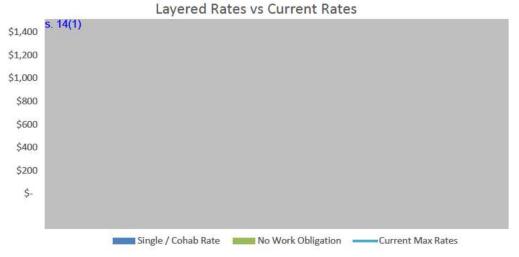
Scenario Variables	Value
Single Rate	s. 14(1)
Cohabitation Rate	31 0
Child Supplement	4 000
Disability Supplement	

**Future** 

Rates

% Rate

Change



### **Payment Changes**

Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Futu Rate
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)
Single OC Board	\$489	
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541	
Single 1C	\$768	
Single 2C	\$838	
Single 3C	\$865	
Couple 0C	\$1,001	
Couple 1C	\$1,049	
Couple 2C	\$1,074	
Couple 3C	\$1,110	

### **Admin Changes**

s. 14(1)

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s. 14(1)

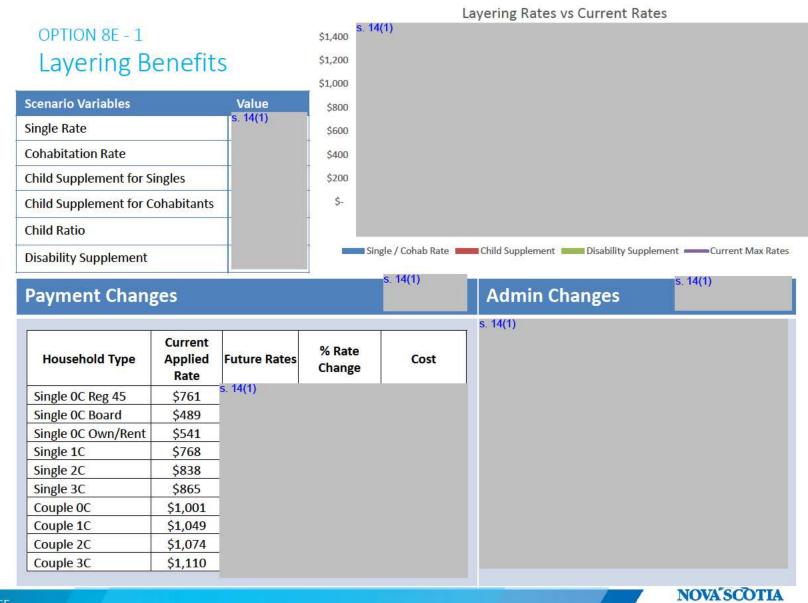
s. 14(1)

Cost

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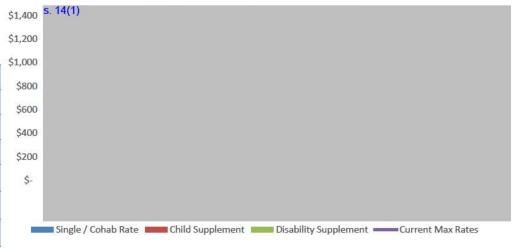




#### Layering Rates vs Current Rates

# OPTION 8E - 2 Layering Benefits

Scenario Variables	Value
Single Rate	Ts. 14(1)
Cohabitation Rate	
Child Supplement for Singles	
Child Supplement for Cohabitants	
Child Ratio	
Disability Supplement	



### **Payment Changes**

Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)		
Single OC Board	\$489			
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541			
Single 1C	\$768			
Single 2C	\$838			
Single 3C	\$865			
Couple 0C	\$1,001			
Couple 1C	\$1,049			
Couple 2C	\$1,074			
Couple 3C	\$1.110			

### Admin Changes

s. 14(1)

**NOVA SCOTIA** 

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Layering Benefits – Summary



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**Employment Income Incentive** 



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Employment Income Incentive – Option A



### Gradual Phase Out Exemption Structure with No Rate Change

**Description & Objectives**: This option assesses the impact of changing the employment exemption thresholds to allow IA recipients to earn more money while still receiving IA benefits. In the current system, for each dollar earned over \$150, a client's income assistance amount is reduced by \$0.7 therefore clients only have an extra \$0.3 in their pocket.

The following exemption thresholds are applied at the various monthly income levels. The intent of these thresholds is to to allow clients to retain more of their earnings initially and gradually reduce the amount that is exempt as clients earn more; thus making the transition to employment and off of IA more gradual for clients.

Income	Exemption Thresholds
\$0-\$250	100%
\$250-\$500	75%
\$500-\$750	50%
\$750+	25%



8%

**Future Working** 

### **OPTION 9A Employment Income Incentive**

## No Behavioural Change

### **IA Program Cost Changes**

#### +\$2.73M Average Monthly IA Payments

Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$0	\$230,170
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$0	\$136,036
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$0	\$427,890
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$0	\$546,530
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$0	\$345,606
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$0	\$190,726
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$0	\$303,495
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$0	\$225,039
Couple 2C	\$193 <b>,18</b> 5	\$0	\$193,185
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$0	\$131,830

Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$492	\$496	\$3
Single OC	*		
Own/Rent	\$561	\$569	\$8
Single OC Reg45	\$803	\$807	\$3
Single 1C	\$801	\$820	\$18
Single 2C	\$845	\$865	\$20
Single 3C	\$845	\$864	\$19
Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,083	\$17
Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,105	\$35
Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,090	\$39
Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,116	\$30

l	Admin Changes	\$0	Net Costs	+\$2.73M
	No administrative changes if there is no change in behavior		Program Cost Change Administrative Cost Change	+\$2.73M \$0.00
			Net Change	+\$2.73M



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Current Working	8%
Future Working	8%

## No Behavioural Change

### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Client Earnings	Current % of Caseload Working	Future % of Caseload Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$0	5%	5%	0	0%
Single OC Own/Rent	\$0	10%	10%	0	1%
Single OC Reg45	\$0	4%	4%	0	0%
Single 1C	\$0	13%	13%	0	1%
Single 2C	\$0	14%	14%	0	1%
Single 3C	\$0	14%	14%	0	1%
Couple 0C	\$0	12%	12%	0	1%
Couple 1C	\$0	23%	23%	0	2%
Couple 2C	\$0	25%	25%	0	1%
Couple 3C	\$0	20%	20%	0	1%
Total	\$0	8%	8%	0	

With no behavioral change the overall impact on clients is minimal except a slight increase in adequacy resulting from the increase IA payments going to current earners because more income is exempt.



## Low Behavioural Change

A Program Cos	st Changes		+\$979,000	Average Mon	thly IA P	ayment	.s
Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost	Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$78,475	\$151,695	Single OC Board	\$492	\$495	\$2
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$50,379	\$85,658	Single 0C	ĈE.CA	¢572	640
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$228,058	\$199,832	Own/Rent	\$561	\$573	\$12
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$339,585	\$206,945	Single 0C Reg45 Single 1C	\$803 \$801	\$803 \$824	-\$1 \$23
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$234,223	\$111,383	Single 1C	\$845	\$870	\$25
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$130,303	\$60,423	Single 3C	\$845	\$869	\$23
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$266,125	\$37,370	Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,087	\$21
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$169,671	\$55,367	Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,119	\$49
Couple 2C	\$193,185	\$156,303	\$36,882	Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,103	\$51
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$98,719	\$33,111	Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,128	\$43
dmin Change	S		+\$36,000	Net Costs			
Additional admini	strative cost estinents that may be			Program Cost Cha Administrative Co			\$979,000 +\$36,000
working. This esti will be on monthly nat not everyone o budget	reporting (this r	number accoun arn each montl	ts for the fact n (i.e ratio of %	Net Change		+\$:	1,020,000

## Low Behavioural Change

### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Client Earnings	Current % Working	Future % Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$341,365	5%	6%	79	1%
Single 0C Own/Rent	\$194,909	10%	12%	39	2%
Single OC Reg45	\$692,656	4%	4%	121	0%
Single 1C	\$846,209	13%	16%	98	3%
Single 2C	\$556,595	14%	17%	60	3%
Single 3C	\$312,356	14%	17%	32	2%
Couple 0C	\$571,094	12%	15%	53	3%
Couple 1C	\$357,729	23%	27%	33	5%
Couple 2C	\$320,342	25%	29%	27	4%
Couple 3C	\$209,988	20%	24%	20	3%
Total	\$4,403,242	8%	9%	563	

With a low behavioral change, clients could be incented to earn an additional \$4.4M while remaining on Income Assistance. This options assumes an additional 563 clients will start working.



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<b>Current Working</b>	8%
Future Working	11%

## Medium Behavioural Change

### **IA Program Cost Changes**

### -\$1.0M

### **Average Monthly IA Payments**

Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$174,331	\$55,839
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$111,920	\$24,117
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$494,395	-\$66,505
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$722,788	-\$176,258
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$497,374	-\$151,768
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$277,185	-\$86,459
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$565,159	-\$261,664
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$360,639	-\$135,601
Couple 2C	\$193, <b>1</b> 85	\$330,562	-\$137,377
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$210,899	-\$79,069

Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$492	\$493	\$1
Single OC Own/Rent	\$561	\$576	\$15
Single OC Reg45	\$803	\$799	-\$5
Single 1C	\$801	\$828	\$26
Single 2C	\$845	\$874	\$29
Single 3C	\$845	\$871	\$26
Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,089	\$23
Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,130	\$60
Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,112	\$60
Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,138	\$52

### **Admin Changes**

### +\$72,000

### **Net Costs**

Additional administrative cost estimate accounts for additional income statements that may be required from new clients working. This estimates that approximately 2533 more clients will be on monthly reporting (this number accounts for the fact that not everyone on periodic will earn each month (i.e ratio of % budgets earning vs. % of cases earning))

Program Cost Change (\$1,000,000)

Administrative Cost Change +\$72,000

Net Change (\$942,000)

As more clients earn, less IA is paid and eventually the department can achieve a savings – the decrease in IA payments for new earners is off-set by the increase payments to current earners.

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Current Working	8%
Future Working	11%

## Medium Behavioural Change

### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Income in System	Current % Working	Future % Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$717,534	5%	7%	159	1%
Single OC Own/Rent	\$406,056	10%	14%	79	3%
Single 0C Reg45	\$1,453,573	4%	5%	242	0%
Single 1C	\$1,776,389	13%	19%	196	5%
Single 2C	\$1,172,972	14%	20%	121	5%
Single 3C	\$655,763	14%	19%	63	4%
Couple 0C	\$1,204,141	12%	18%	106	5%
Couple 1C	\$750,725	23%	31%	66	8%
Couple 2C	\$671,410	25%	34%	54	7%
Couple 3C	\$441,933	20%	28%	40	5%
Total	\$9,250,497	8%	11%	1125	

With a medium behavioral change, clients could be incented to earn an additional \$9.3M while remaining on Income Assistance. This options assumes an an additional 1125 clients will start working.



## High Behavioural Change

### **IA Program Cost Changes**

### -\$2.73M

### **Average Monthly IA Payments**

Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$257,358	-\$27,188
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$164,560	-\$28,524
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$725,875	-\$297,985
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$1,053,252	-\$506,722
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$722,354	-\$376,748
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$404,203	-\$213,476
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$824,999	-\$521,504
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$523,400	-\$298,362
Couple 2C	\$193,185	\$479,179	-\$285,994
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$307,511	-\$175,681

Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$492	\$492	\$0
Single OC Own/Rent	\$561	\$579	\$19
Single OC Reg45	\$803	\$795	-\$8
Single 1C	\$801	\$833	\$31
Single 2C	\$845	\$879	\$34
Single 3C	\$845	\$876	\$30
Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,093	\$27
Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,146	\$76
Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,127	\$75
Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,151	\$65

### **Admin Changes**

### +\$108,700

### **Net Cost**

Additional administrative cost estimate accounts for additional income statements that may be required from new clients working. This estimates that approximately 3800 more clients will be on monthly reporting (this number accounts for the fact that not everyone on periodic will earn each month (i.e. ratio of % budgets earning vs. % of cases earning))

 Program Cost Change
 (\$2,730,000)

 Administrative Cost Change
 +\$108,000

 Net Change
 (\$2,620,000)

As more clients earn, less IA is paid and eventually the department can achieve a savings



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Current Working	8%
Future Working	13%

## High Behavioural Change

### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Income in System	Current % Working	Future % Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$1,056,428	5%	8%	238	1%
Single OC Own/Rent	\$597,047	10%	17%	118	4%
Single OC Reg45	\$2,146,481	4%	6%	362	1%
Single 1C	\$2,619,389	13%	22%	294	7%
Single 2C	\$1,726,263	14%	24%	181	6%
Single 3C	\$967,306	14%	22%	95	5%
Couple 0C	\$1,775,771	12%	20%	159	8%
Couple 1C	\$1,100,830	23%	36%	99	12%
Couple 2C	\$984,334	25%	38%	82	10%
Couple 3C	\$649,698	20%	31%	60	7%
Total	\$13,623,548	8%	13%	1688	6%

With a high behavioral change, clients could be incented to earn an additional \$13.6M while remaining on Income Assistance. This options assumes an an additional 1688 clients will start working.



# Gradual Phase Out Exemption Structure with No Rate Change – Summary

Sub-Option	New Client Earnings	IA Program Cost Change	Admin Cost Change	Net Cost Change	# New Clients Working	Adequacy Change
No Behavioral Change	\$0	\$2,730,508	\$0	\$2,730,508	0	0% - 2%
Low Behavioral Change	\$4,403,242	\$978,666	\$36,241	\$1,014,907	563	0% - 5%
Medium Behavioral Change	\$9,250,497	-\$1,014,745	\$72,482	-\$942,264	1125	0% - 8%
High Behavioral Changes	\$13,623,548	-\$2,732,184	\$108,722	-\$2,623,462	1688	1% - 12%



This analysis demonstrates that the costs are highly dependent on how clients behave and whether or not clients are incented to start working or work more. As more non-workers start working, their IA payments are reduced, which offsets the increased IA payments for current earners. Between the low and medium behavior scenarios, there is a breakeven point for the department and a savings can be achieved.



Employment Income Incentive – Option B



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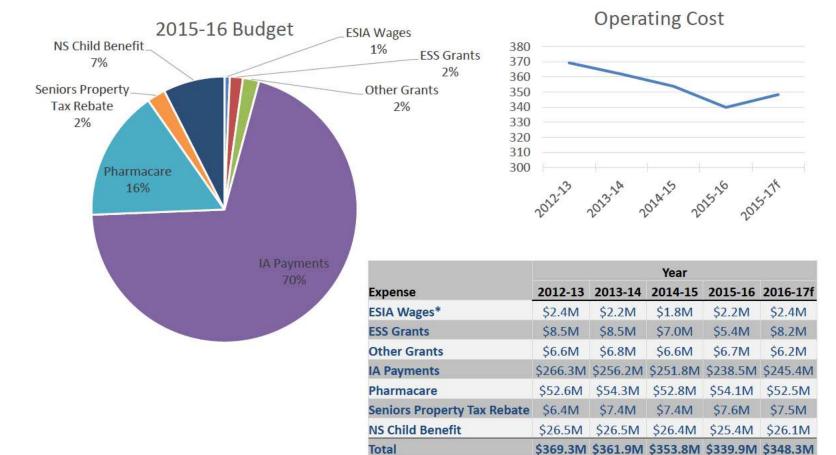


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# Operating Budget Actuals

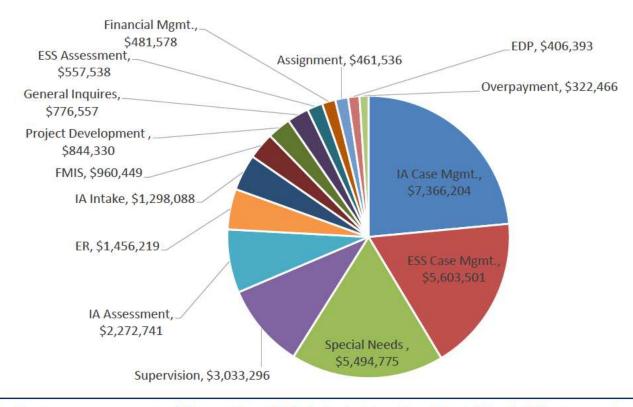


Based on data provided from Finance

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# Administrative Costs - Summary



Costs are generated from the ESIA Administrative Cost Model that was built to support decision making for the ESIA Transformation – Total Admin Costs are approximately \$31 million



**Current Rate Structure** 



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# Standard Household Rate

Preliminary Analysis Results - Continuation November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016



# Agenda

- Recap
  - Universal Credit
  - Layering Benefits (re-named: Simplified Benefit Structure)
  - Employment Incentives
- Combined Options
- Additional Analysis
- Summary of Preliminary Results
- Discussion: Options for Final Analysis
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**Employment Income Incentive** 



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Employment Income Incentive – Option A



#### Gradual Phase Out Exemption Structure with No Rate Change

**Description & Objectives**: This option assesses the impact of changing the employment exemption thresholds to allow IA recipients to earn more money while still receiving IA benefits. In the current system, for each dollar earned over \$150, a client's income assistance amount is reduced by \$0.7 therefore clients only have an extra \$0.3 in their pocket.

The following exemption thresholds are applied at the various monthly income levels. The intent of these thresholds is to to allow clients to retain more of their earnings initially and gradually reduce the amount that is exempt as clients earn more; thus making the transition to employment and off of IA more gradual for clients.

Income	Exemption Thresholds
\$0-\$250	100%
\$250-\$500	75%
\$500-\$750	50%
\$750+	25%



Current Working	8%
Future Working	8%

# No Behavioural Change

IA P	rogram	Cost	Chan	ges.
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#### +\$2.73M

#### **Average Monthly IA Payments**

Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$0	\$230,170
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$0	\$136,036
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$0	\$427,890
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$0	\$546,530
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$0	\$345,606
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$0	\$190,726
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$0	\$303,495
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$0	\$225,039
Couple 2C	\$193,185	\$0	\$193,185
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$0	\$131,830

Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$492	\$496	\$3
Single 0C	*		
Own/Rent	\$561	\$569	\$8
Single OC Reg45	\$803	\$807	\$3
Single 1C	\$801	\$820	\$18
Single 2C	\$845	\$865	\$20
Single 3C	\$845	\$864	\$19
Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,083	\$17
Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,105	\$35
Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,090	\$39
Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,116	\$30

Admin	Changes
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**Net Costs** 

+\$2.73M

No administrative changes if there is no change in behavior

Program Cost Change +\$2.73M

Administrative Cost Change \$0.00

Net Change +\$2.73M



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Current Working	8%
Future Working	8%

# No Behavioural Change

#### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Client Earnings	Current % of Caseload Working	Future % of Caseload Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$0	5%	5%	0	0%
Single 0C Own/Rent	\$0	10%	10%	0	1%
Single OC Reg45	\$0	4%	4%	0	0%
Single 1C	\$0	13%	13%	0	1%
Single 2C	\$0	14%	14%	0	1%
Single 3C	\$0	14%	14%	0	1%
Couple 0C	\$0	12%	12%	0	1%
Couple 1C	\$0	23%	23%	0	2%
Couple 2C	\$0	25%	25%	0	1%
Couple 3C	\$0	20%	20%	0	1%
Total	\$0	8%	8%	0	

With no behavioral change the overall impact on clients is minimal except a slight increase in adequacy resulting from the increase IA payments going to current earners because more income is exempt.



Current Working 8%
Future Working 9%

#### OPTION 9A Employment Income Incentive

# Low Behavioural Change

A Program Cos	st Changes		+\$979,000	Average Mon	thly IA P	ayment	:S
Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost	Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$78,475	\$151,695	Single OC Board	\$492	\$495	\$2
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$50,379	\$85,658	Single 0C	ĈE.CA	6572	Ć40
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$228,058	\$199,832	Own/Rent	\$561	\$573	\$12
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$339,585	\$206,945	Single 0C Reg45 Single 1C	\$803 \$801	\$803 \$824	-\$1 \$23
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$234,223	\$111,383	Single 1C	\$845	\$870	\$25
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$130,303	\$60,423	Single 3C	\$845	\$869	\$23
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$266,125	\$37,370	Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,087	\$21
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$169,671	\$55,367	Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,119	\$49
Couple 2C	\$193,185	\$156,303	\$36,882	Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,103	\$51
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$98,719	\$33,111	Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,128	\$43
dmin Change	S		+\$36,000	Net Costs			
Additional administrative cost estimate accounts for additional income statements that may be required from new clients working. This estimates that approximately 1267 more clients			Program Cost Cha Administrative Co			\$979,000 +\$36,000	
will be on monthly nat not everyone o	reporting (this r	number accoun arn each montl	ts for the fact h (i.e ratio of %	Net Change		+\$1	1,020,00

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<b>Current Working</b>	8%
Future Working	9%

# Low Behavioural Change

#### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Client Earnings	Current % Working	Future % Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$341,365	5%	6%	79	1%
Single OC Own/Rent	\$194,909	10%	12%	39	2%
Single OC Reg45	\$692,656	4%	4%	121	0%
Single 1C	\$846,209	13%	16%	98	3%
Single 2C	\$556,595	14%	17%	60	3%
Single 3C	\$312,356	14%	17%	32	2%
Couple 0C	\$571,094	12%	15%	53	3%
Couple 1C	\$357,729	23%	27%	33	5%
Couple 2C	\$320,342	25%	29%	27	4%
Couple 3C	\$209,988	20%	24%	20	3%
Total	\$4,403,242	8%	9%	563	

With a low behavioral change, clients could be incented to earn an additional \$4.4M while remaining on Income Assistance. This options assumes an additional 563 clients will start working.



Current Working	8%
Future Working	11%

## Medium Behavioural Change

#### **IA Program Cost Changes**

#### -\$1.0M

#### **Average Monthly IA Payments**

Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$174,331	\$55,839
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$111,920	\$24,117
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$494,395	-\$66,505
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$722,788	-\$176,258
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$497,374	-\$151,768
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$277,185	-\$86,459
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$565,159	-\$261,664
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$360,639	-\$135,601
Couple 2C	\$193, <mark>1</mark> 85	\$330,562	-\$137,377
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$210,899	-\$79,069

Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$492	\$493	\$1
Single OC Own/Rent	\$561	\$576	\$15
Single 0C Reg45	\$803	\$799	-\$5
Single 1C	\$801	\$828	\$26
Single 2C	\$845	\$874	\$29
Single 3C	\$845	\$871	\$26
Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,089	\$23
Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,130	\$60
Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,112	\$60
Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,138	\$52

#### **Admin Changes**

+\$72,000

#### **Net Costs**

Additional administrative cost estimate accounts for additional income statements that may be required from new clients working. This estimates that approximately 2533 more clients will be on monthly reporting (this number accounts for the fact that not everyone on periodic will earn each month (i.e ratio of % budgets earning vs. % of cases earning))

Program Cost Change (\$1,000,000)

Administrative Cost Change +\$72,000

Net Change (\$942,000)

As more clients earn, less IA is paid and eventually the department can achieve a savings – the decrease in IA payments for new earners is off-set by the increase payments to current earners.

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<b>Current Working</b>	8%
Future Working	11%

# Medium Behavioural Change

#### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Income in System	Current % Working	Future % Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$717,534	5%	7%	159	1%
Single OC Own/Rent	\$406,056	10%	14%	79	3%
Single 0C Reg45	\$1,453,573	4%	5%	242	0%
Single 1C	\$1,776,389	13%	19%	196	5%
Single 2C	\$1,172,972	14%	20%	121	5%
Single 3C	\$655,763	14%	19%	63	4%
Couple 0C	\$1,204,141	12%	18%	106	5%
Couple 1C	\$750,725	23%	31%	66	8%
Couple 2C	\$671,410	25%	34%	54	7%
Couple 3C	\$441,933	20%	28%	40	5%
Total	\$9,250,497	8%	11%	1125	

With a medium behavioral change, clients could be incented to earn an additional \$9.3M while remaining on Income Assistance. This options assumes an an additional 1125 clients will start working.



Current Working	8%
Future Working	13%

# High Behavioural Change

#### **IA Program Cost Changes**

#### -\$2.73M

#### **Average Monthly IA Payments**

Household Type	Increased IA Payments to Current Earners	Decreased IA Payments to New Earners	Change in Cost	
Single OC Board	\$230,170	\$257,358	-\$27,188	
Single OC Own/Rent	\$136,036	\$164,560	-\$28,524	
Single OC Reg45	\$427,890	\$725,875	-\$297,985	
Single 1C	\$546,530	\$1,053,252	-\$506,722	
Single 2C	\$345,606	\$722,354	-\$376,748	
Single 3C	\$190,726	\$404,203	-\$213,476	
Couple 0C	\$303,495	\$824,999	-\$521,504	
Couple 1C	\$225,039	\$523,400	-\$298,362	
Couple 2C	\$193,185	\$479,179	-\$285,994	
Couple 3C	\$131,830	\$307,511	-\$175,681	

Household Type	Current Average	Future Aveage	Average Change
Single OC Board	\$492	\$492	\$0
Single 0C Own/Rent	\$561	\$579	\$19
Single OC Reg45	\$803	\$795	-\$8
Single 1C	\$801	\$833	\$31
Single 2C	\$845	\$879	\$34
Single 3C	\$845	\$876	\$30
Couple 0C	\$1,066	\$1,093	\$27
Couple 1C	\$1,070	\$1,146	\$76
Couple 2C	\$1,052	\$1,127	\$75
Couple 3C	\$1,085	\$1,151	\$65

#### **Admin Changes**

#### +\$108,700

#### **Net Cost**

Additional administrative cost estimate accounts for additional income statements that may be required from new clients working. This estimates that approximately 3800 more clients will be on monthly reporting (this number accounts for the fact that not everyone on periodic will earn each month (i.e. ratio of % budgets earning vs. % of cases earning))

Program Cost Change (\$2,730,000)

Administrative Cost Change +\$108,000

Net Change (\$2,620,000)

As more clients earn, less IA is paid and eventually the department can achieve a savings



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Current Working	8%
Future Working	13%

# High Behavioural Change

#### **Impact of Employment Earnings on Clients**

Household Type	New Income in System	Current % Working	Future % Working	Number of New Workers	Change in Adequacy LICO
Single OC Board	\$1,056,428	5%	8%	238	1%
Single OC Own/Rent	\$597,047	10%	17%	118	4%
Single 0C Reg45	\$2,146,481	4%	6%	362	1%
Single 1C	\$2,619,389	13%	22%	294	7%
Single 2C	\$1,726,263	14%	24%	181	6%
Single 3C	\$967,306	14%	22%	95	5%
Couple 0C	\$1,775,771	12%	20%	159	8%
Couple 1C	\$1,100,830	23%	36%	99	12%
Couple 2C	\$984,334	25%	38%	82	10%
Couple 3C	\$649,698	20%	31%	60	7%
Total	\$13,623,548	8%	13%	1688	6%

With a high behavioral change, clients could be incented to earn an additional \$13.6M while remaining on Income Assistance. This options assumes an an additional 1688 clients will start working.



# Gradual Phase Out Exemption Structure with No Rate Change – Summary

IA Program Cost Impacts			Client Impacts			
Option 9A	IA Program Cost Change	Admin Cost Change	Net Cost Change	New Client Earnings	# New Clients Working	Change in Adequacy Range
No Behavioral Change	\$2,730,508	\$0	\$2,730,508	\$0	0	0% - 2%
Low Behavioral Change	\$978,666	\$36,241	\$1,014,907	\$4,403,242	563	0% - 5%
Medium Behavioral Change	-\$1,014,745	\$72,482	-\$942,263	\$9,250,497	1125	0% - 8%
High Behavioral Changes	-\$2,732,184	\$108,722	-\$2,623,462	\$13,623,548	1688	1% - 12%



This analysis demonstrates that the costs are highly dependent on how clients behave and whether or not clients are incented to start working or work more. As more non-workers start working, their IA payments are reduced, which offsets the increased IA payments for current earners. Between the low and medium behavior scenarios, there is a breakeven point for the department and a savings can be achieved.



### Additional Considerations - Summary

- Could "increase the caseload" depending on eligibility criteria
  - Although if clients are receiving significantly less in terms of financial supports, the financial impact may be minimal; being "on welfare" means something different than today
- Possibly unfair for low-income, working Nova Scotians not in Income Assistance
  - This could be mitigated through other income security programs (e.g. WITB) or by offering non-financial supports to the working poor (e.g. pharmacare, employment supports)
- This could also be combined with other options such as Simplified Benefit Structure or providing special needs in a different manner
  - Distribution of support needs to be simplified and distributed differently to address the largest populations within IA
  - This option benefits the working population most (couples and singles with kids)
    making it a good candidate to consider with Simplified Benefit Structure as this
    group tended to be negatively impacted in option 8.



## Additional Considerations - Summary

- Client behaviour will be challenging to predict
  - Would this be worth considering a pilot to study how people behave?
- Additional program requirements would need to be thought through if proceeding with these options (eligibility criteria, phase out rates, time limited benefits etc.)



**Combined Options** 



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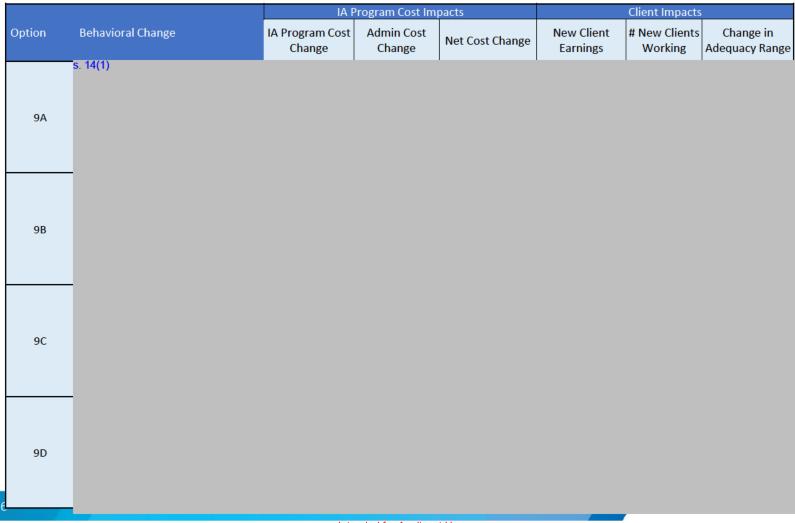




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# Additional Analysis – Results Summary



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**Options Analysis Summary** 



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# **Overall Options Summary**



# Funding Opportunities from the Overall ESIA Transformation Portfolio – Order of Magnitude Estimates

Funding Sources	Estimated Funding Amount and/or Savings	Dept. Owner	Considerations
Poverty Reduction Tax Credit	s. 14(1)		
Administrative Savings			
Transformation Special Needs Savings			
Risk Model Savings			
Sub-total			
Affordable Living Tax Credit			
Grand Total			

Discussion: Options for Final Analysis



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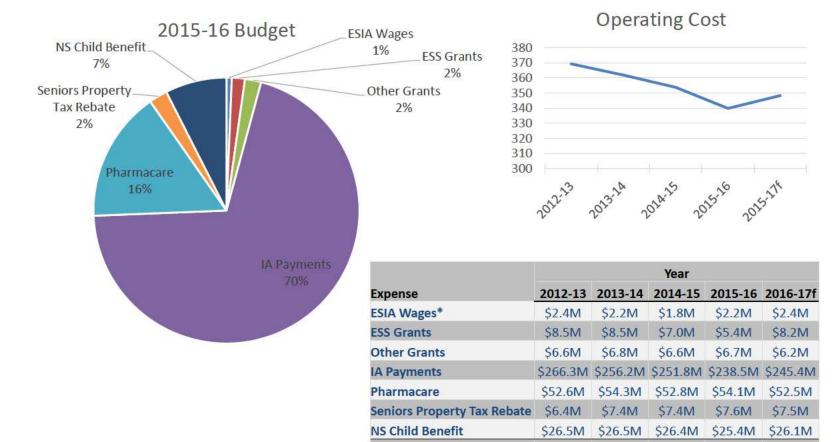


**Current State / Context Setting** 



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# Operating Budget Actuals



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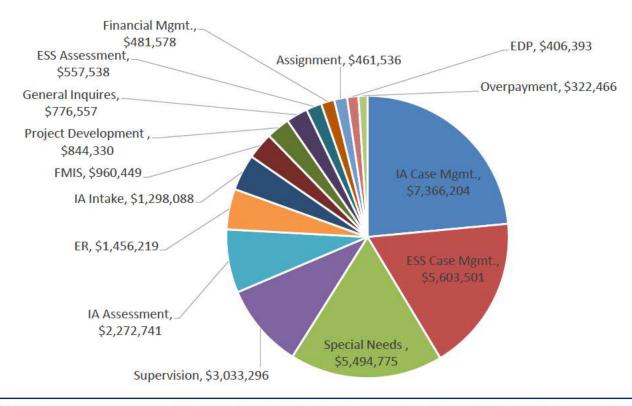
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Total

<sup>\*</sup>ESIA Wages do not include Service Delivery, which accounted for approximately \$30.8M in 2015-2016.

# Administrative Costs - Summary



Costs are generated from the ESIA Administrative Cost Model that was built to support decision making for the ESIA Transformation – Total Admin Costs are approximately \$31 million



**Current Rate Structure** 



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**Demographic Information** 



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**Special Needs** 



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APPENDIX B – Jurisdictional Scan



**Jurisdictional Review** 



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Appendix C: Initial Options – Preliminary Analysis



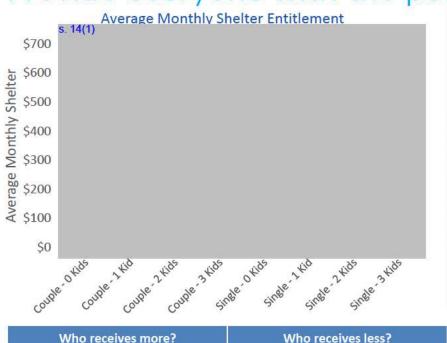
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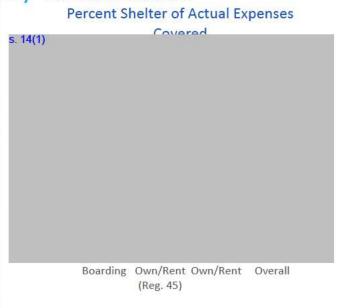
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Provide everyone with the policy maximum





Who receives more?	Who receives less?
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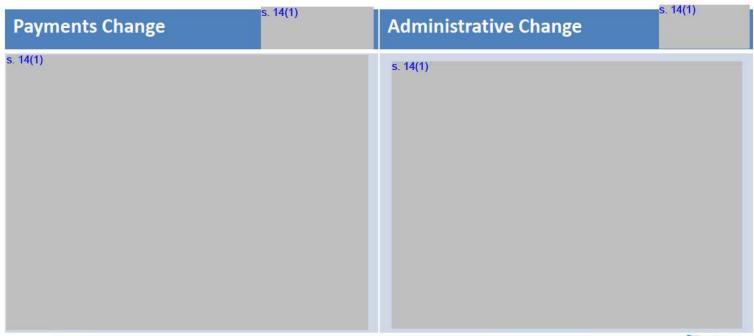
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Appendix D: Special Needs Bundle



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Monthly Credit Amount		Admin Savings	
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## OPTION 6A



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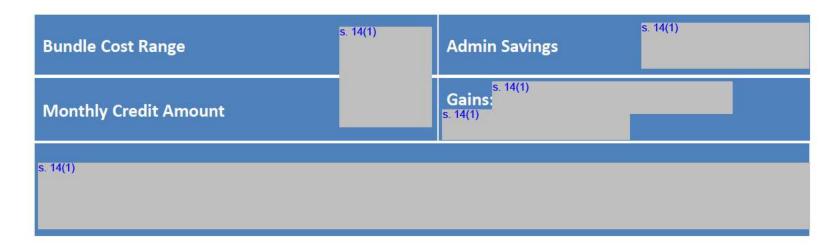
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## OPTION 6







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Appendix F: Benchmark / Indexing



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#### **OPTION 5A**

# Benchmarking/Indexing Rates – LICO – Set rates at a % of LICO

## Monthly Income Assistance Rates by Household Type - Comparing Rates as a % of LICO

Household Type T	Current	70%1LICO	80%ILICO	90%ILICO	100%1ICO
Single-DCIOwn/Rent)	\$575	s. 14(1)			
Single-DCIBoarding)	\$498				
Single-DCIDisability)	\$810				
Single-11C	\$845				
Single-22C	\$895				
Single-BC	\$895				
Couple-101C	\$1,120				
Couple-12C	\$1,170				
Couple-22C	\$1,170				
Couple-BC	\$1,170				
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Additional Cost millions)	\$0	s. 14(1)			



#### **OPTION 5B**

# Benchmarking/Indexing Rates – LICO – Bring everyone to a minimum % of LICO

## Monthly Income Assistance Rates by Household Type

Household Type ?	Current	70% <b>I</b> ICO	80% <b>I</b> LICO	90% <b>1</b> ICO	100% <b>I</b> ICO
Single-IDCI(Own/Rent)	\$575	5. 14(1)			
Single-DC4Boarding)	\$498				
Single-IDCI(Disability)	\$810				
Single-11C	\$845				
Single-22C	\$895				
Single-BC	\$895				
Couple-1011C	\$1,120				
Couple-11C	\$1,170				
Couple-22C	\$1,170				
Couple-BC	\$1,170				

Additional©Cost@millions) \$0



#### **OPTION 5C**

# Benchmarking/Indexing Rates – LIM – Set rates at a % of LIM

## Monthly Income Assistance Rates by Household Type - Comparing Rates as a % of LICO

Household@ype@	Current	50%1IM	60%IIM	70% <b>I</b> IM	80%ILIM
Single-DC4Own/Rent)	\$575	s. 14(1)			
Single-DCABoarding)	\$498				
Single-DCDDisability)	\$810				
Single-12C	\$845				
Single-22C	\$895				
Single-BC	\$895				
Couple-1013C	\$1,120				
Couple-11C	\$1,170				
Couple-22C	\$1,170				
Couple-BC	\$1,170				

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### **OPTION 5D**

# Benchmarking/Indexing Rates – LIM – Bring everyone to a minimum % of LIM

## Monthly Income Assistance Rates by Household Type

Household Type 2	Current	50% <b>I</b> IM	60% <b>I</b> LIM	70% <b>I</b> LIM	80% <b>I</b> LIM
Single-IDCI(Own/Rent)	\$575	s. 14(1)			
Single-DCABoarding)	\$498				
Single-DCIDisability)	\$810				
Single-11C	\$845				
Single- <b>②</b> C	\$895				
Single-BC	\$895				
Couple-101C	\$1,120				
Couple-11C	\$1,170				
Couple-22C	\$1,170				
Couple-BC	\$1,170				

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Additional Cost (millions)	\$0	

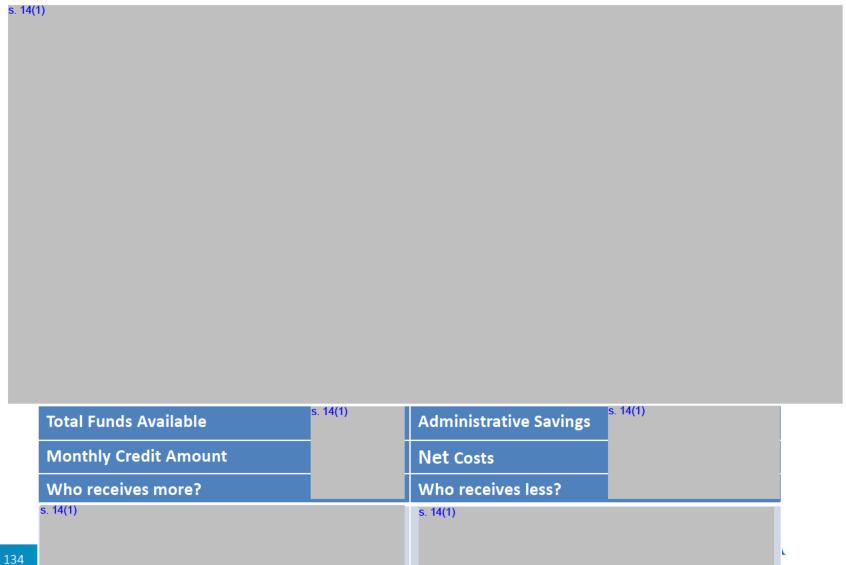


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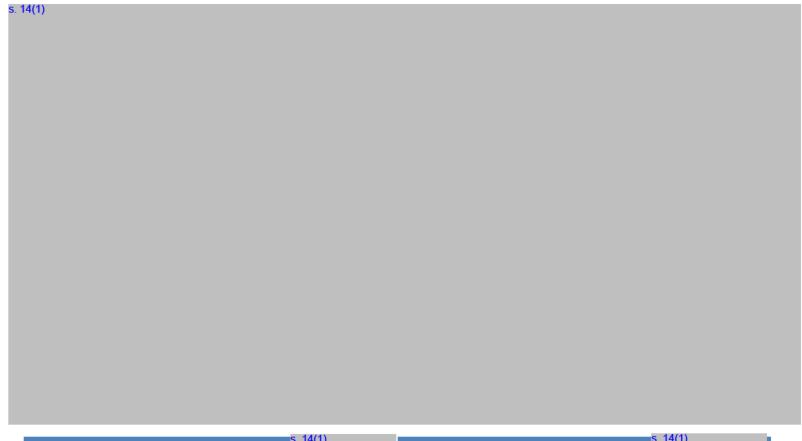
Appendix F: Universal Credit



#### OPTION 5A - Universal Credit

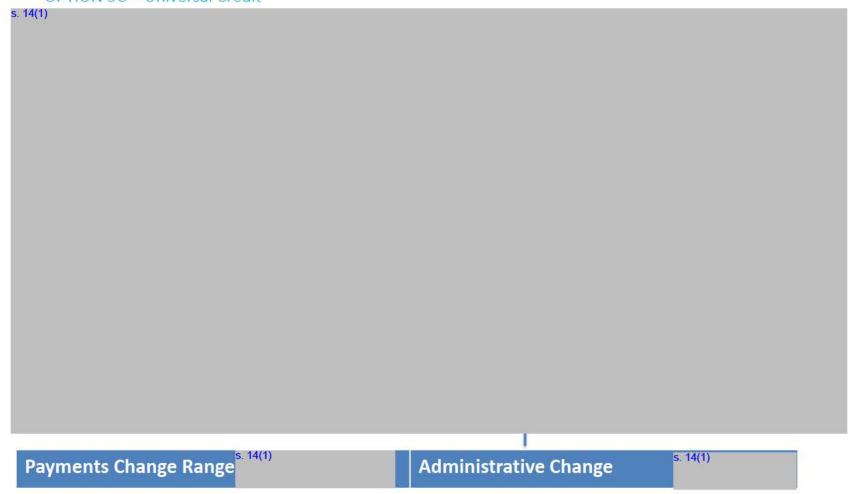


## OPTION 5B – Universal Credit



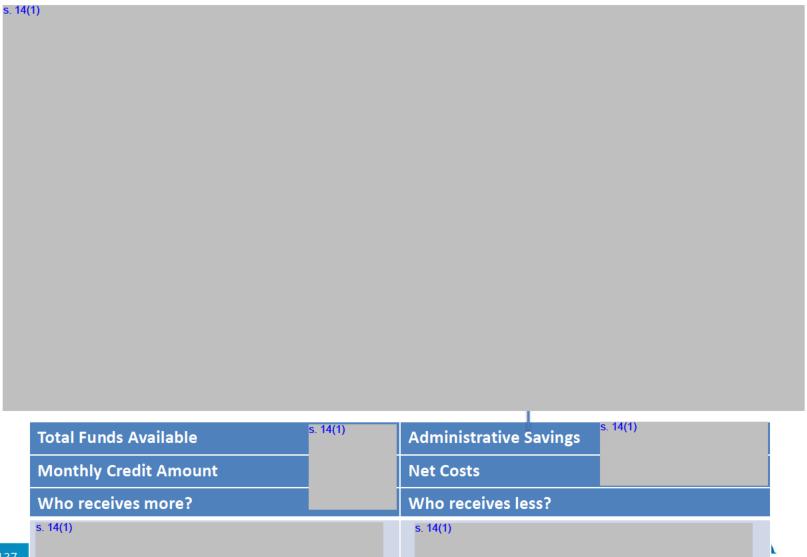


## OPTION 5C - Universal Credit





#### OPTION 5D – Universal Credit



OPTION 5E — Universal Credit s. 14(1)



Administrative Change

#### OPTION 5F – Universal Credit





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**OPTION 5 Continued** 

## Universal Credit – Summary

	Sub-Option	Payment Change	Admin Change	Net Change	Monthly Payment Amount	Adequacy Change (increase)*
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Preliminary Analysis – Simplified Benefit Structure



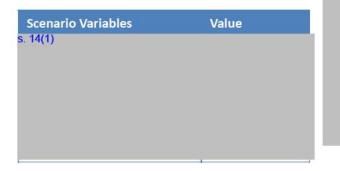
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## OPTION 8A - 1 Simplified Benefit Structure

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Single / Cohab Rate Child Supplement No Work Obligation ——Current Max Rates

#### **Payment Changes**

Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	5. 14(1)	,	
Single OC Board	\$489			
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541			
Single 1C	\$768			
Single 2C	\$838			
Single 3C	\$865			
Couple OC	\$1,001			
Couple 1C	\$1,049			
Couple 2C	\$1,074			
Couple 3C	\$1,110			

#### Admin Changes

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#### OPTION 8A - 2 Simplified Benefit Structur

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Household Type	Current Applied Rate	
Single OC Reg 45	\$761.10	
Single OC Board	\$488.78	
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541.08	
Single 1C	\$768.11	
Single 2C	\$838.13	
Single 3C	\$864.85	
Couple OC	\$1,000.52	
Couple 1C	\$1,049.41	
Couple 2C	\$1,073.82	
Couple 3C	\$1,109.59	

**Payment Changes** 

Applied Rate	Rates	Change	Cost
\$761.10	. 14(1)		
\$488.78			
\$541.08			
\$768.11			
\$838.13			
\$864.85			
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Future

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8B - Simplified Benefit Structure



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Scenario Variables	Value	
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Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)		
Single OC Board	\$489			
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541			
Single 1C	\$768			
Single 2C	\$838			
Single 3C	\$865			
Couple 0C	\$1,001			
Couple 1C	\$1,049			
Couple 2C	\$1,074			
Couple 3C	\$1,110			



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#### OPTION 8B - 2 Simplified Benefit Structu

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Scenario Variables	Value	
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**Payment Changes** 

Admin Changes

Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)		
Single OC Board	\$489			
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541			
Single 1C	\$768			
Single 2C	\$838			
Single 3C	\$865			
Couple OC	\$1,001			
Couple 1C	\$1,049			
Couple 2C	\$1,074			
Couple 3C	\$1,110			



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8C - Simplified Benefit Structure



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Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates s. 14(1)	% Rate Change	Cost	s. 14(1)	
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	J. 13(1)				
Single OC Board	\$489					
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541					
Single 1C	\$768					
Single 2C	\$838					
Single 3C	\$865					
Couple 0C	\$1,001					
Couple 1C	\$1,049					
Couple 2C	\$1,074					
Couple 3C	\$1,110					

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8D - Simplified Benefit Structure



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## OPTION 8D - 1 Simplified Benefit Structu

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Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)		
Single OC Board	\$489			
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541			
Single 1C	\$768			
Single 2C	\$838			
Single 3C	\$865			
Couple 0C	\$1,001			
Couple 1C	\$1,049			
Couple 2C	\$1,074			
Couple 3C	\$1,110			

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## OPTION 8D – 2 Simplified Benefit Struct

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Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost	s. 14(1)	
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)				
Single OC Board	\$489					
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541					

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Single 1C

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Single 3C

Couple 0C

Couple 1C

Couple 2C

Couple 3C

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8E - Simplified Benefit Structure



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## OPTION 8E - 1 Simplified Benefit Struct

Scenario Variables Value s. 14(1)

#### **Payment Changes**

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Cost

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#### **Admin Changes**

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Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	s. 14(1)	
Single OC Board	\$489		
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541		
Single 1C	\$768		
Single 2C	\$838	g.	
Single 3C	\$865		
Couple 0C	\$1,001		
Couple 1C	\$1,049		
Couple 2C	\$1,074		
Couple 3C	\$1,110		

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# OPTION 8E - 2 Simplified Benefit Structu

Scenario Variables Value s. 14(1)

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Household Type	Current Applied Rate	Future Rates	% Rate Change	Cost
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	-s. 14(1)		
Single OC Board	\$489			
Single OC Own/Rent	\$541			
Single 1C	\$768			
Single 2C	\$838			
Single 3C	\$865	*		
Couple 0C	\$1,001			
Couple 1C	\$1,049			
Couple 2C	\$1,074			
Couple 3C	\$1,110	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		

**Admin Changes** 

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Simplified Benefit Structure – Summary



#### **OPTION 8 Simplified Benefit Structure**

## Simplified Benefit Structure – Summary for First Set of Rates

Option	Program Cost (\$)	Admin Change (\$)	Adequacy Largest	% Gain & % Lose	Considerations
s. 14(1)					

### **OPTION 8 Simplified Benefit Structure**

## Simplified Benefit Structure – Summary for Second Set of Rates

	Option	Program Cost (\$)	Admin Change (\$)	Adequacy Largest	% Gain & % Lose	Considerations
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Employment Income Incentive – Option B



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### OPTION 9B – Employment Income Incentive

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		IA Pr	Client Impacts				
Option	Behavioral Change	IA Program Cost Change	Admin Cost Change	Net Cost Change	New Client Earnings	# New Clients Working	Change in Adequacy Range

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Combined Options: Universal + Employment Incentives



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OPTION 10C Combined Options s. 14(1)

			Income					
New Clien Sub-Option Earnings		Program Costs from Universal Credit	Increased Money Given to Current Earners	Decreased IA to New Earners	Admin Cost Changes (Combined)	Net Cost Change	# New Clients Working	Adequacy Change
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### OPTION 10D Combined Options



			Income					
Sub-Option New Clie Earning		Program Costs from Universal Credit		Decreased IA to New Earners	Admin Cost Changes (Combined)	Net Cost Change	# New Clients Working	Adequacy Change
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# ESIA Transformation – Phase 2

# INCOME SECURITY OPTIONS ANALYSIS

Presentation to DMs and ADMs - Finance and Treasury Board and Community Services

January 19<sup>th</sup> 2017



# Agenda

- Recap: Project Overview
- Assessment and Analysis Approach
- Preliminary Program Analysis
- Option Assessment and Results
- Summary and Recommendations
- Next steps







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Assessment Framework and Approach



# Criteria and Weighting

Criter	Criteria			
\$	Program Cost	(maximum cost)		
₹	Population Reach	20%		
•	Adequacy	20%		
	Impact on METR and Promoting LMA	20%		
\$ \$ 5	Administrative Savings	10%		
4	Ease of Implementation	10%		
다 다 리	Client Burden	10%		
Q	Timely Response to Client Needs	10%		
	Total	100%		



### Assessment Process

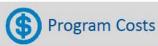
#### Step 1: Options and Criteria Option 1... Step 3: Step 2: Assessment Option 2... Recommendations Score each option across the eight Finalize the Option 3... criteria to identify an recommended overall option options and course of Option 4... action based on the assessment. assessment results High Administrative s s § 1. Option "X" Savings Med-High 2. Option "Y" Ease of Medium Reach Implementation 3. Etc... Low-Med Client Burden Low Adequacy METR/LMA Timely Response

# Analysis Approach

Analysis was completed to assess each of the criteria defined in the Assessment Framework. The criteria included both quantitative and qualitative analysis.

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**Quantitative Analysis** 





Population Reach



Adequacy



**LMA & METR** Analysis



Administrative Savings

High level cost analysis based on data and information gathered from FTB, DCS and other government departments.

Qualitative Analysis



Implementation



Client Burden



Timely Response to Client Needs

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Programs	Total Program Expenditures (Actual) s. 14(1)	Total Program Expenditures (SPSM/D)
Income Assistance	-5. 14(1)	
Poverty Reduction Tax Credit		
Nova Scotia Child Benefit		
Affordable Living Tax Credit		
Low Income Tax Reduction		
Disability Tax Credit (Provincial)		
Heating Assistance Rebate program (HARP)	4.	
Property Tax Rebate for Seniors w/ GIS	8	
Provincial Income tax refund for Seniors on GIS		
Age Tax Credit		
Total Funding Available	3	



**Preliminary Program Analysis** 



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Standard Household Rate - Income Assistance



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Seniors Low-Income Program Option



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Low Income Tax Program Option



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Summary and Preliminary Recommendations



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# ESIA Transformation – Phase 2

Risk Model and Risk Management / Application

March 2017



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PROJECT OBJECTIVES, OUTCOMES, SCOPE, AND APPROACH



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# Objectives, Outcomes and Benefits





# RISK MODEL DESIGN



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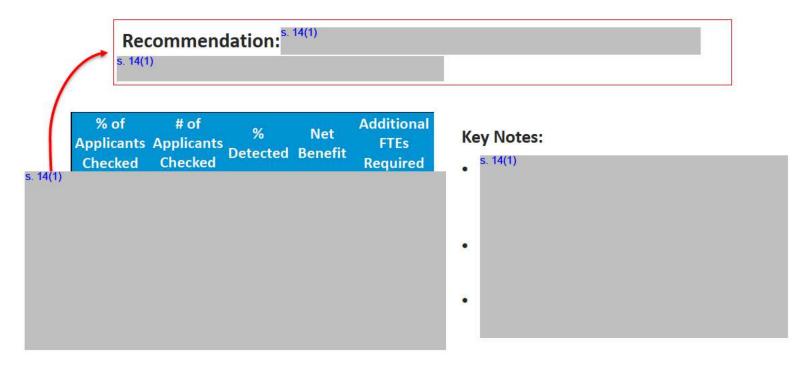
# RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK ANALYSIS



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#### 1) Initial Eligibility Review – Analysis

- We looked at the cost/benefit of conducting reviews on a certain % of 'high risk' applicants using the risk model
- Based on this analysis, the following cost/benefit has been determined:





#### 2) Ongoing Eligibility Review - Introduction

2. Ongoing/ Periodic Eligibility Reviews

#### **Current State Snap Shot**

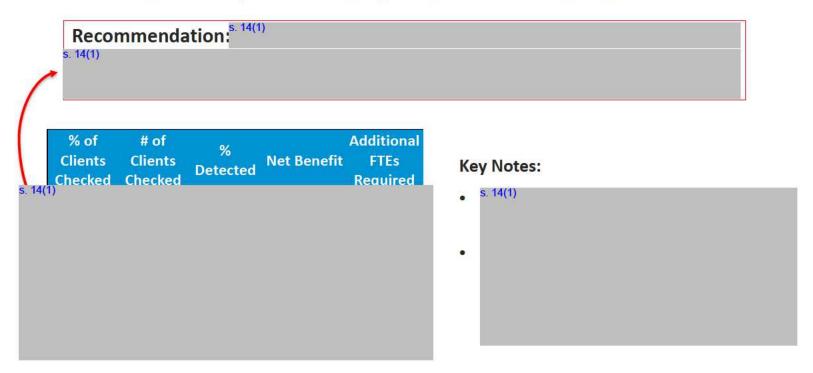
 Today, staff flag eligible cases for an "ER" (Eligibility Review) when there is suspicion of undisclosed information such as cohabitation, income, or assets; inaccurately reported expenses, or family situations; and/or any other misrepresentation that may affect eligibility for assistance

- To conduct the analysis, we looked at the following:
  - 1. How can the risk model be applied and what benefits or cost avoidance can be achieved?



# 2) Ongoing/Periodic Eligibility Reviews, cont'd

- We looked at the cost/benefit of conducting reviews on a certain % of 'high risk' applicants using the risk model
- Based on this analysis, the following cost/benefit has been determined:





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#### 3) Annual Reviews - Analysis

- We looked at the frequency of reviews and whether or not the current frequency (of 12 months) could be modified using the risk model
- The following three options were analyzed against current state and each other:

	(1	Review Frequen	су	F	ΓEs	Cost	
Option	Low Risk	Medium Risk	High Risk	Estimate	Efficiencies	Estimate	Efficiencies
Curren	t 12 months	12 months	12 months	14.3 FTEs	( January 1	\$1.21M	// <del>2-2</del>

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Recommendation: s. 14(1)

Note: The volumes and time estimates for current state annual reviews were derived from the ESIA Administrative Cost Model



## 4) Reporting - Introduction

4. Reporting

#### **Current State Snap Shot**

- Today, there are two primary processes for client reporting
  - Monthly Income Statement Reporting certain clients are required to report changes to their income on a monthly basis (based on policy requirements and caseworker discretion – this process is used for many reasons other than income reporting)
  - Ad hoc client reporting clients have no obligation to report unless their circumstances change (housing, family, asset, non-employment income changes). They are required to provide this information to the Department as soon as the change happens



#### 4) Monthly Income Statement Reporting - Analysis



#### Summary of Financial Analysis<sup>1</sup>

	Total Cost	Total FTE Requirement
Current State	s. 14(1)	s. 14(1)
Proposed Future State <sup>2</sup>		
Total Efficiencies / FTE Requirement		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> These estimates are also aligned with the low and the high estimates from the Standard Household Rate work

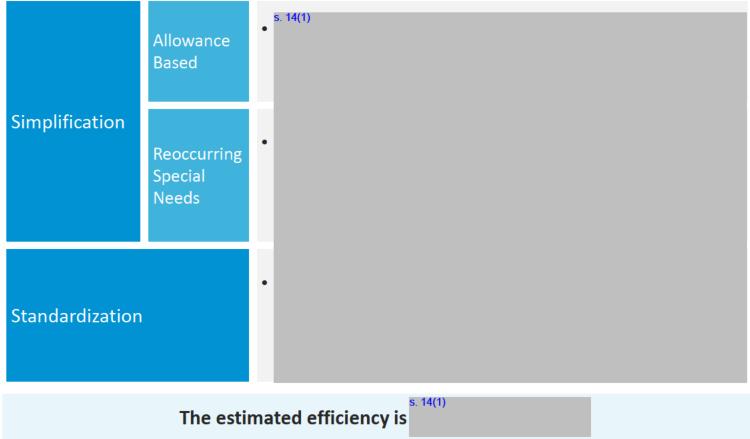


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Numbers are derived from the ESIA Administrative Cost Model

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#### 5) Special Needs - Analysis Summary

Based on the analysis and recommendations from the workshop participants, the following is recommended:



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# Summary of Efficiencies

	Recommendation								
Opportunity	Description	Efficiencies / Avoidance	Δ FTEs						
1. Initial Eligibility Review	s. 14(1)								
2. Ongoing / Periodic Eligibility Reviews									
3. Annual Reviews									
4. Reporting									
5. Special Needs									
Totals:									

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# **APPENDICES**



APPENDIX A: RISK MODEL



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# APPENDIX B: INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REVIEW



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#### Cost/Benefit of the EDP Pilot Project (3 months)

The EDP pilot project was conducted to determine if the IA program could increase expenditure reduction by using its information verification tools (e.g. Equifax) to screen applicants who don't pose overt eligibility concerns.

% of Clients Checked		Ineligible Clients	Eligible Clients	Estimated Cost <sup>1</sup>	Estimated Benefit <sup>2</sup>	Total FTE Estimate
100% of clients checked in 4 pilot offices over a 3 months time frame	5900,0000	33	412	s. 14(1)		



A sample size of approximately 25%

Given the current workload for EDP referrals, the additional FTE requirement was 2.5 FTE<sup>3</sup>



Conducting the pilot project on ~25% of the IA caseload for 3 months resulted in a \$139k net benefit with an additional requirement of 2.5 FTEs.



 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ Cost = (3 hours per review / 70% efficiency when doing multiple) x \$59/hr + \$7 = \$262 per review

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Benefit = an average of \$7,743 savings per review

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Assumes an average of 868 EDP referrals per year = 2.3 FTEs

#### Cost/Benefit of The EDP Pilot Project (1 year)

Using the pilot project results and the same process, we analyzed what net benefit would be for the entire IA caseload at intake for 1 year.

% of Clients Checked	Clients Checked <sup>1</sup>				Estimated Net Benefit	
100% of clients checked in all offices over 1 year	10,069	747	9,322	s. 14(1)		



100% of unique IA clients at intake that were deemed eligible

Given the current workload for EDP referrals, the additional FTE requirement would be 25 FTE<sup>4</sup>



- Although significant efficiencies could be achieved, there is an increased FTE requirement to conduct a review on 100% of the IA client base at intake.
- Using a risk-based approach, the following slides illustrate how similar efficiencies could be achieved with less administrative cost/FTE requirement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Derived from ICM total clients with a status change from pending to eligible clients in 2015

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Cost = (3 hours per review / 70% efficiency when doing multiple) x \$59/hr + \$7 = \$262 per review

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Benefit = an average of \$7,743 savings per review

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Assumes an average of 868 EDP referrals per year = 2.3 FTEs

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## Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model

When using the risk model to select clients for EDP referrals, the following cost/benefit is achieved:

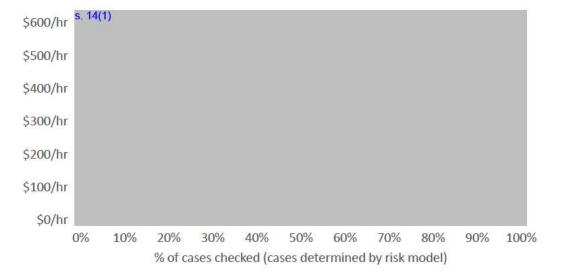
% of Clients Checked	Clients Checked	% Detected		Clients	Cost	Estimated Benefit	Net Benefit	Total FTE Estimate	Additional FTEs Required
Top 5%	503	28.6%	144	359	s. 14(1)				
Top 10%	1007	17.9%	180	827					
Top 20%	2014	11.6%	234	1780					
Top 50%	5035	9.1%	459	4575					
100%	10069	7.4%	747	9322					

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## Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model, cont'd





% of Clients Checked	Total FTE Estimate	Additional FTEs Requires
Top 5%	s. 14(1)	
Top 10%		
Top 20%		
Top 50%		
100%		

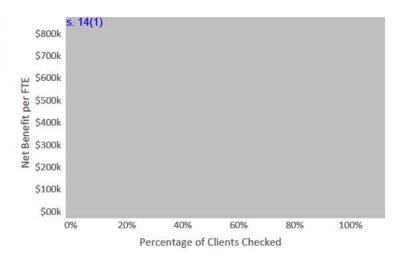
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#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model (Summary)

When using the risk model to select applicants for EDP referrals, the following cost/benefit is achieved:

% of Applicants Checked	# of Applicants Checked	Detected	Net Benefit	Additional FTEs Required
Top 5%	503	s. 14(1)		
Top 10%	1007			
Top 20%	2014			
Top 50%	5035			
100%	10069			

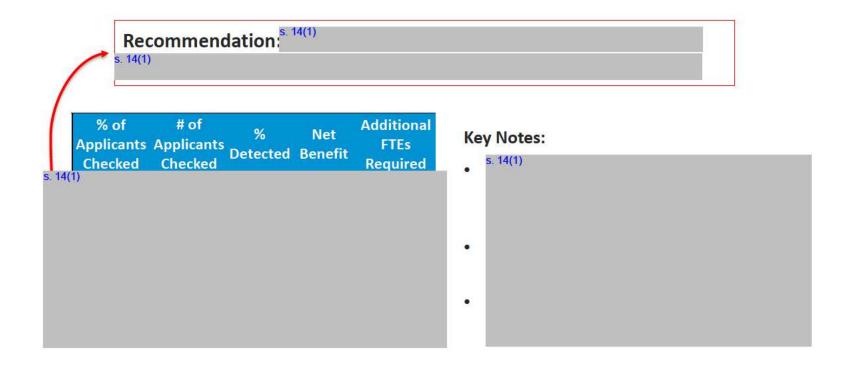


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#### Recommendation





# APPENDIX C: ONGOING / PERIODIC ELIGIBILITY REVIEWS



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#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model

When using the risk model to select clients for eligibility reviews (ERs), the following cost/benefit is achieved:

% of Clients Checked	Clients Checked	% Detected	The second second	Clients	Estimated Cost	Estimated Benefit	Estimated Net Benefit	Total FTE Estimate
Top 1%	339	7.2%	24	314	5. 14(1)			
Top 2%	678	6.7%	<mark>4</mark> 6	632				
Top 3%	1016	6.4%	65	951				
Top 5%	1694	5.9%	100	1594				
Top 10%	3388	5.4%	182	3206				
Top 20%	6776	4.8%	328	6448				
Top 50%	16939	3.7%	622	16317				

#### Assumes:

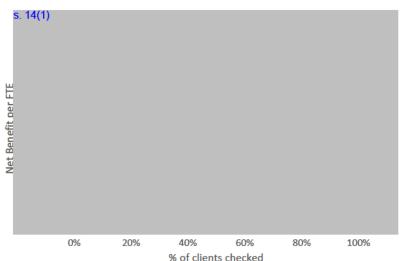
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- \$8,810/review benefit (Source: FY15/16 actual savings)
- Annual case load 33,878 (Source: ICM Payments Files, Count of Unique IA case IDs for fiscal 2015)



#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model (summary)

After reviewing the results shown on the previous slide with workshop participants, there was concern that there should actually be more clients detected by the risk model. To account for this, a sensitivity analysis was performed (see Appendix C) and a conservative range was provided for the net benefit.

% of Clients Checked	# of Clients Checked	% Detected	Net Benefit	Additional FTEs Required
Top 1%	339	7.2%-14.4%	s. 14(1)	
Top 2%	678	6.7%-13.5%		
Top 3%	1016	6.4%-12.8%		
Top 5%	1694	5.9%-11.8%		
Top 10%	3388	5.4%-10.7%		

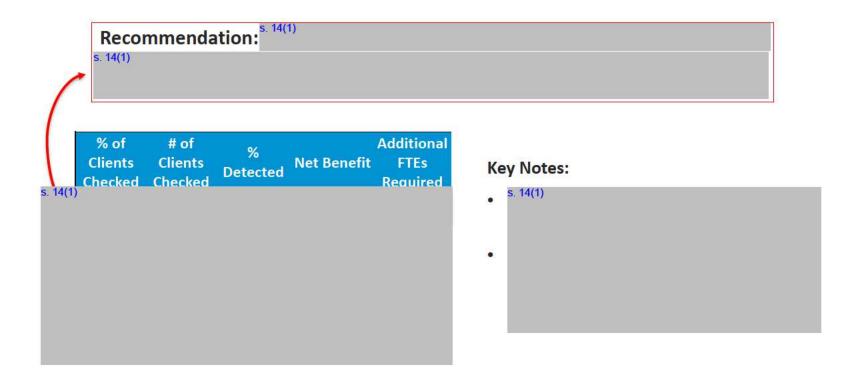




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#### Recommendation





# APPENDIX D: ANNUAL REVIEWS



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# Annual Reviews Introduction, cont'd



Reporting Activity (Numbers derived from Admin Cost Model)	Total Cost	Total FTE Requirement
Annual Review: Prep, review with client, follow up (incl. IA Caseworker and IA Supervisor time)	s. 14(1)	



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## Financial Analysis, cont'd



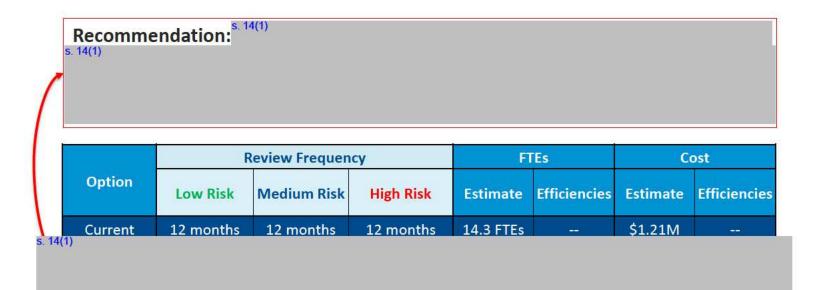
	F	Review Frequen	су	F	Cost			
Option	Low Risk	Medium Risk	High Risk	Estimate	Efficiencies	Estimate	Efficiencies	
Current	12 months	12 months	12 months	14.3 FTEs		\$1.21M	=	
Option 1	s. 14(1)							
Option 2								
Option 3								





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## Recommendations





**APPENDIX E: REPORTING** 



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## Monthly Income Statement Reporting



#### What if only the clients with income were required to report on a monthly basis?

	Reporting Activity	Total Cost	Total FTE Requirement
Current State	Monthly Income Statement Reporting (complete/incomplete) (assumes 51% of client base on monthly reporting) <sup>1</sup>	\$952k	11.4
Proposed Future State	s. 14(1)		
	Total Efficiencies and FTE Requirement	s. 14(1)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Numbers are derived from the Administrative Cost Model

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In 2015/16, 17% of clients reported income; however, only 8% budgets have income included indicating a significant portion of clients do not report income every month. These estimates are also aligned with the low and the high estimates from the Standard Household Rate work



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APPENDIX F: SPECIAL NEEDS



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## Special Needs - Financial Analysis (Details)

 The following table includes a break-down of the cost estimates from current state to future state and the estimated efficiencies (grand total)

			Curre	nt State		Future State				Efficiencies	
Special Need	Proposed Process	Set Up Cost	Receipt Processing Cost	Total Admin Cost	FTEs	Set Up Cost	Receipt Processing Cost	Total Admin Cost	FTEs	Cost	FTEs
Workshop Agreement									- L	N.	X.
59 Telephone	Allowance	\$111k	\$116k	\$227k	2.8FTEs	s. 14(1)					
8 Optical - Glasses	Allowance	\$16k	\$4k	\$20k	0.2FTEs						
15 Furnishings (select items)	Allowance	\$35k	\$8k	\$43k	0.5FTEs						
2 Travel and Transportation	Reoccurring	\$96k	\$41k	\$138k	1.7FTEs						
86 EP - Transportation	Reoccurring	\$148k	\$26k	\$174k	2.1FTEs						
46 Medical Transportation	Reoccurring	\$562k	\$134k	\$696k	8.5FTEs						
39 Child Care	Reoccurring	\$157k	\$8k	\$165k	2.0FTEs						
87 EP - Child Care	Reoccurring	\$54k	\$6k	\$60k	0.7FTEs						
91 Ambulance	Standardization	\$51k	\$4k	\$55k	0.7FTEs						
107 EP - Work Related Expenses	Standardization	\$23k	\$4k	\$26k	0.3FTEs						
60 Drugs (Non-Prescription)	Reoccurring	\$331k	\$23k	\$354k	4.3FTEs						
V	Total:			\$1.95M	24FTEs						

Notes:

s. 14(1)



## Special Needs - Financial Analysis (Summary)

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Special Need	Droposed Dropose	Efficie	encies
Special Need	Proposed Process	Cost	FTEs
Workshop Agreement			
59 Telephone	Allowance	s. 14(1)	
8 Optical - Glasses	Allowance		
15 Furnishings (select items)	Allowance		
87 EP - Child Care	Reoccurring		
2 Travel and Transportation	Reoccurring		
86 EP - Transportation	Reoccurring		
39 Child Care	Reoccurring		
46 Medical Transportation	Reoccurring		
60 Drugs (Non-Prescription)	Reoccurring		
	Total:		

The estimated efficiencies is s. 14(1)



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## Recommendations



Special Need	Drawaged Drawage	Effici	encies
Special Need	Proposed Process	Cost	FTEs
Workshop Agreement			
59 Telephone	Allowance	14(1)	
8 Optical - Glasses	Allowance		
15 Furnishings (select items)	Allowance		
87 EP - Child Care	Reoccurring		
2 Travel and Transportation	Reoccurring		
86 EP - Transportation	Reoccurring		
39 Child Care	Reoccurring		
46 Medical Transportation	Reoccurring		
60 Drugs (Non-Prescription)	Reoccurring		
	Total:		



SHR Additional Options Analysis (March 2017)



## OPTION 1: DETAILED ANALYSIS (RECOMMENDATION) s. 14(1)

Scenario Variables	Value
1 person / household (S-0C) - Boarding	s. 14(1)
1 person / household (S-0C)	
2 people / household (S-1C, C-OC)	
3 people / household (S-2C, C-O1)	
4 people / household (S-3C, C-2C)	
5 people / household (S-4C+, C-3C+)	
Disability Rate (1pp/hh +\$275)	



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#### **Program Cost Changes**

Current Future Current **Household Type Applied** Rates Ch Rate Rate s. 14(1) \$810 \$761 Single OC Reg 45 Single OC Board \$498 \$489 Single OC Own/Rent \$575 \$541 Single 1C \$845 \$814 Single 2C \$895 \$861 \$879 Single 3C \$895 Couple 0C \$1,120 \$1,058 \$1,170 Couple 1C \$1,100 Couple 2C \$1,170 \$1,100 \$1,170 Couple 3C \$1,122

Λνσ		Cases	
Avg. nange	Win	No Change	Lose

s. 14(1)

Administrative Costs s. 14(1)

s. 14(1)



s. 14(1)

<sup>\*</sup> Households shown are Own/Rent, unless otherwise noted

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Current Working 8% s. 14(1)

**Future Working** 

OPTION 1 Employment Income Incentive

## Low Behavioural Change

## Net Cost

s. 14(1)

		Current							Fut	ure			
Household Type	Applied Rate	Non- Emp. Income	Emp. Income	IA Red.	Actual IA Received	iotai	Applied Rate	Non- Emp Income	Emp. Income	IA Red.	Actual IA Received	Total	Change
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$76	\$16	\$76	\$685	\$777	s. 14(1)						
Single OC Board	\$489	\$12	\$15	\$15	\$474	\$501							
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$26	\$39	\$39	\$502	\$566							
Single 1C	\$814	\$25	\$100	\$74	\$740	\$865							
Single 2C	\$861	\$16	\$104	\$69	\$792	\$913							
Single 3C	\$879	\$14	\$110	\$70	\$809	\$933							
Couple 0C	\$1,058	\$184	\$115	\$236	\$822	\$1,121							
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$77	\$202	\$186	\$914	\$1,192							
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$47	\$232	\$175	\$925	\$1,204							
Couple 3C	\$1,122	\$39	\$178	\$136	\$986	\$1,202							

\* Households shown are Own/Rent, unless otherwise noted

ННТуре	Rate Increase	Employment Income Increase	Total
single - OC	s. 14(1)		
single - 1C			
single - 2C			
single - 3C			
couple - 0C			
couple - 1C			
couple - 2C			
couple - 3C			

**Current Working** 

8% s. 14(1)

**Future Working** 

#### OPTION 1 Employment Income Incentive

## Medium Behavioural Change

#### **Net Cost**

s. 14(1)

		Current							Fut	ure			
Household Type	Applied Rate	Non- Emp. Income	Emp. Income	IA Red.	Actual IA Received	Total	Applied Rate	Non- Emp Income	Emp. Income	IA Red.	Actual IA Received	Total	Change
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$76	\$16	\$76	\$685	\$777	s. 14(1)						
Single OC Board	\$489	\$12	\$15	\$15	\$474	\$501							
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$26	\$39	\$39	\$502	\$566							
Single 1C	\$814	\$25	\$100	\$74	\$740	\$865							
Single 2C	\$861	\$16	\$104	\$69	\$792	\$913							
Single 3C	\$879	\$14	\$110	\$70	\$809	\$933							
Couple 0C	\$1,058	\$184	\$115	\$236	\$822	\$1,121							
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$77	\$202	\$186	\$914	\$1,192							
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$47	\$232	\$175	\$925	\$1,204							
Couple 3C	\$1,122	\$39	\$178	\$136	\$986	\$1,202							

\* Households shown are Own/Rent, unless otherwise noted

Rate Increase

s. 14(1)

**Employment** 

Income Increase

Total

#### **Medium Behavioural Change**

s. 14(1)

#### **Additional Employment Wages**

s. 14(1)

single - 0C single - 1C

single - 2C

ННТуре

single - 3C couple - 0C

couple - 1C couple - 2C

couple - 3C

s. 14(1)

#### **OPTION 2A: DETAILED ANALYSIS**

s. 14(1)

Scenario Variables	Value	s. 14(1)
Single OC Reg 45	s. 14(1)	\$1,400@
Single OC Board	Ž	\$1,200@
Single OC Own/Rent		\$1,000@
Single 1C		\$800%
Single 2C		\$600@
Single 3C		\$4000
Couple 0C		\$2000
Couple 1C		\$-
Couple 2C		
Couple 3C	1	Housenoldikate Disabilityikate



#### Program Cost Changes:

s. 14(1)



Current Current **Household Type Applied** Rate Rate Single OC Reg 45 \$810 \$761 Single OC Board \$498 \$489 Single OC Own/Rent \$575 \$541 Single 1C \$845 \$814 Single 2C \$895 \$861 Single 3C \$895 \$879 Couple 0C \$1,120 \$1,058 Couple 1C \$1,170 \$1,100 Couple 2C \$1,170 \$1,100 Couple 3C \$1,122 \$1,170

	Cases		Δνσ	Future Avg. Rates Change
Change	Win	Win	Change	



s. 14(1)

Current Maxikates in

Cost to Eliminate Future
State Deficits: s. 14(1)

s. 14(1)

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#### **OPTION 2B: DETAILED ANALYSIS Policy**

s. 14(1)

Scenario Variables	Value
Single OC Reg 45	s. 14(1)
Single OC Board	
Single OC Own/Rent	Î
Single 1C	
Single 2C	
Single 3C	Ê
Couple 0C	<u> </u>
Couple 1C	
Couple 2C	Î
Couple 3C	tie .



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**Household Type** 

Single OC Reg 45

Single OC Board

Single 1C

Single 2C

Single 3C

Couple 0C

Couple 1C

Couple 2C

Couple 3C

Single OC Own/Rent

#### Program Cost Changes:

Current

Rate

\$810

\$498

\$575

\$845

\$895

\$895

\$1,120

\$1,170

\$1,170

\$761

\$489

\$541

\$814

\$861

\$879

\$1,058

\$1,100

\$1,122

\$1,170 \$1,100

Current Applied Rate Rates Change Win Change Lose Cases

Administrative Costs

s. 14(1)

s. 14(1)



s. 14(1)

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#### **OPTION 2C: DETAILED ANALYSIS**

s. 14(1)

Scenario Variables	Value
Single OC Reg 45	s. 14(1)
Single OC Board	
Single OC Own/Rent	
Single 1C	
Single 2C	
Single 3C	
Couple 0C	
Couple 1C	
Couple 2C	
Couple 3C	



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**Household Type** 

Single OC Reg 45

Single OC Board

Single 1C

Single 2C

Single 3C

Couple 0C

Couple 1C

Couple 2C

Couple 3C

Single OC Own/Rent

#### Program Cost Changes:

Current

Rate

\$810

\$498

\$575

\$845

\$895

\$895

\$1,120

\$1,170

\$1,170

\$1,170

Current

**Applied** 

Rate

\$761

\$489

\$541

\$814

\$861

\$879

\$1,058

\$1,100

\$1,100

\$1,122

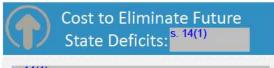
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Future Avg. Cases
Rates Change Win No Lose

s. 14(1)

Administrative Cost

s. 14(1)



s. 14(1)

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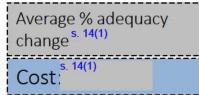
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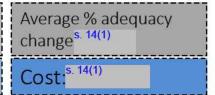
## Changes in Adequacy

Option 1		Option 2A	<u> </u>	Option 2B		Option 2C	
Caseload	% change in	Caseload	% change in	Caseload	% change	Caseload	% change
Segment	adequacy by	Segment	adequacy	Segment	in adequacy	Segment	in adequacy
	HH type s. 14(1)		s. 14(1)		s. 14(1)	single OC	s. 14(1)
single - OC	-10-511	single - 0C		single - 0C	3. <sub>11</sub> (1)	single - 0C	
single - 1C		single - 1C		single - 1C		single - 1C	
single - 2C	:	single - 2C		single - 2C		single - 2C	
single - 3C		single - 3C		single - 3C		single - 3C	
couple - 0C		couple - 0C		couple - 0C		couple - 0C	
couple - 1C		couple - 1C		couple - 1C		couple - 1C	
						the street	
couple - 2C		couple - 2C		couple - 2C		couple - 2C	
couple - 3C		couple - 3C		couple - 3C		couple - 3C	

Average % adequacy change s. 14(1)	
	100
Cost . s. 14(1)	es.

Average % adequacy change s. 14(1)	
Cost: 5. 14(1)	. – – .







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#### **OPTION 2D: DETAILED ANALYSIS**

s. 14(1)

# Household Type S. 14(1) and a second single - OC single - 1C single - 2C single - 3C couple - 0C couple - 1C couple - 2C couple - 3C



s. 14(1)

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#### Program Cost Changes:

Household Type	Current Rate	Current Applied Rate
Single OC Reg 45	\$810	\$761
Single OC Board	\$498	\$489
Single OC Own/Rent	\$575	\$541
Single 1C	\$845	\$814
Single 2C	\$895	\$861
Single 3C	\$895	\$879
Couple OC	\$1,120	\$1,058
Couple 1C	\$1,170	\$1,100
Couple 2C	\$1,170	\$1,100
Couple 3C	\$1,170	\$1,122

Future Rates			Cases	
	Avg. Change	Win	No	Lose

Administrative Costss. 14(1)

s. 14(1)



s. 14(1)



<sup>\*</sup> Households shown are Own/Rent, unless otherwise noted

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Current Working 8%
Future Working s. 14(1)

#### OPTION 2D Employment Income Incentive

## Low Behavioural Change

	Curr	rent	Fut	ure		ННТуре	Rate Increase	Employment	Total
Household Type	Applied Rate	Total	Applied Rate	Total	Change	single - 0C	s. 14(1)	Incentive Increase	iotai
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$777	s. 14(1)			single - 1C			
Single OC Board	\$489	\$501				single - 2C			
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$566				single - 3C			
Single 1C	\$814	\$865				couple - 0C			
Single 2C	\$861	\$913				couple - 1C			
Single 3C	\$879	\$933				couple - 2C			
Couple 0C	\$1,058	\$1,121				couple - 3C			
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$1,192							
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$1,204							
	C4 422	\$1,202							

Low Behavioural Change	Additional Employment Wages	s. 14(1)
s. 14(1)		



Current Working 8%
Future Working

#### **OPTION 2D Employment Income Incentive**

## Medium Behavioural Change

	Curi	ent	Fut	ure		Hamashald Ton	Data Incre	Employment	Tetal
Household Type	Applied Rate	Total	Applied Rate s. 14(1)	Total	Change	Household Type	Rate Increase 5. 14(1)	Incentive Increase	Total
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$777	5. 14(1)			single - 1C			
Single OC Board	\$489	\$501				single - 2C			
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$566				single - 3C			
Single 1C	\$814	\$865				couple - 0C			
Single 2C	\$861	\$913				couple - 1C			
Single 3C	\$879	\$933				couple - 2C			
Couple 0C	\$1,058	\$1,121				couple - 3C			
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$1,192							
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$1,204							
Couple 3C	\$1,122	\$1,202							

Medium Behavioural Change Additional Employment Wages
s. 14(1)



#### **OPTION 2E: DETAILED ANALYSIS**

s. 14(1)

Household Typ	e % change in adequacy s. 14(1)
single - OC	S. 14(1)
single - 1C	
single - 2C	
single - 3C	
couple - 0C	
couple - 1C	
couple - 2C	
couple - 3C	



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s. 14(1)

#### Program Cost Changes:

s. 14(1)

Household Type	C	Current	Fratura		Cases		
	Current Rate	Applied Rate	Future Rates	Avg. Change	Win	No Change	Lose
Single OC Reg 45	\$810	\$761	s. 14(1)				
Single OC Board	\$498	\$489					
Single OC Own/Rent	\$575	\$541					
Single 1C	\$845	\$814					
Single 2C	\$895	\$861					
Single 3C	\$895	\$879					
Couple OC	\$1,120	\$1,058					
Couple 1C	\$1,170	\$1,100					
Couple 2C	\$1,170	\$1,100					
Couple 3C	\$1,170	\$1,122					

Cost to Eliminate Future State Deficits: s. 14(1)

Administrative Costs-s. 14(1)



<sup>\*</sup> Households shown are Own/Rent, unless otherwise noted

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## Low Behavioural Change

	Current		Future			UUTona	Pata Increase	Employment	Tatal
Household Type	Applied Rate	Total	Applied Rate s. 14(1)	Total	Change	HHType single - 0C	Rate Increase -s. 14(1)	Incentive Increase	Total
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$777	5. 14(1)			single - 1C	_		
Single OC Board	\$489	\$501				single - 2C			
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$566				single - 3C	_		
Single 1C	\$814	\$865				couple - 0C			
Single 2C	\$861	\$913				couple - 1C			
Single 3C	\$879	\$933				couple - 2C	-		
Couple OC	\$1,058	\$1,121				couple - 3C	<u> </u>		
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$1,192				*	<del>a</del>		
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$1,204							
Couple 3C	\$1,122	\$1,202							

Low Behavioural Change	Additional Employment Wages	s. 14(1)
s. 14(1)		



## Medium Behavioural Change

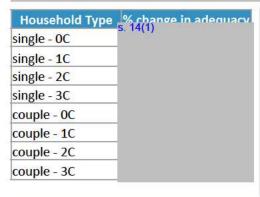
Net Cost					s. 14(1)	Adequacy				
	Current		Future			Hausahald Tona	Boto Ingrass	Employment	Total	
Household Type	Applied Rate	lotal	Applied Rate	Total	Change	Household Type	Rate Increase s. 14(1)	Incentive Increase	Total	
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$777	s. 14(1)			single - 1C				
Single OC Board	\$489	\$501				single - 2C				
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$566				single - 3C				
Single 1C	\$814	\$865				couple - 0C				
Single 2C	\$861	\$913				couple - 1C				
Single 3C	\$879	\$933				couple - 2C				
Couple 0C	\$1,058	\$1,121				couple - 3C				
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$1,192								
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$1,204								
Couple 3C	\$1,122	\$1,202								

Medium Behavioural Change Additional Employment Wages
s. 14(1)



#### **NEW OPTION 2F: DETAILED ANALYSIS**

#### s. 14(1)





s. 14(1)

s. 14(1)

#### Program Cost Changes:

Cases **Future** Avg. No Change Rates Win Change

Current Current **Household Type Applied** Rate Lose Rate s. 14(1) Single OC Reg 45 \$810 \$761 Single OC Board \$498 \$489 Single OC Own/Rent \$575 \$541 Single 1C \$845 \$814 Single 2C \$895 \$861 Single 3C \$895 \$879 Couple 0C \$1,120 \$1,058 Couple 1C \$1,170 \$1,100 Couple 2C \$1,170 \$1,100 Couple 3C \$1,170 \$1,122

Cost to Eliminate **Future State Deficits:** s. 14(1) s. 14(1)

Administrative Costs-



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<b>Current Working</b>	8%
Future Working	s. 14(1)

OPTION 2F Employment Income Incentive

# Low Behavioural Change

et Cost					\$20.4M	Adequacy			
	Curr	ent	Fut	ure		ННТуре	Rate Increase	Employment	Total
Household Type	Applied Rate	Total	Applied Rate s. 14(1)	Total	Change	single - OC	-s. 14(1)	Incentive Increase	iotai
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$777	S. 14(1)			single - 1C	_		
Single OC Board	\$489	\$501				single - 2C			
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$566				single - 3C	_		
Single 1C	\$814	\$865				couple - 0C			
Single 2C	\$861	\$913				couple - 1C			
Single 3C	\$879	\$933				couple - 2C			
Couple 0C	\$1,058	\$1,121				couple - 3C	2		
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$1,192							
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$1,204							
Couple 3C	\$1,122	\$1,202							

Low Behavioural Change	Additional Employment Wages	s. 14(1)
s. 14(1)		



OPTION 2F Employment Income Incentive

# Medium Behavioural Change

	Curr	ent	Fut	ure		Household Type	Rate Increase	Employment	Total
Household Type	Applied Rate	Total	Applied Rate	Total	Change		s. 14(1)	Incentive Increase	IOCAI
Single OC Reg 45	\$761	\$777	s. 14(1)			single - 1C			
Single OC Board	\$489	\$501				single - 2C			
Single OC O/R	\$541	\$566				single - 3C			
Single 1C	\$814	\$865				couple - 0C			
Single 2C	\$861	\$913				couple - 1C			
Single 3C	\$879	\$933				couple - 2C			
Couple 0C	\$1,058	\$1,121				couple - 3C			
Couple 1C	\$1,100	\$1,192							
Couple 2C	\$1,100	\$1,204							
Couple 3C	\$1,122	\$1,202							

Medium Behavioural Change	Additional Employment Wages	s. 14(1)
s. 14(1)		





# **ESIA Transformation**

Risk Model and Risk Management / Application Final Deliverables

January 2017



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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** 

RISK MODEL DESIGN



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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** 

RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

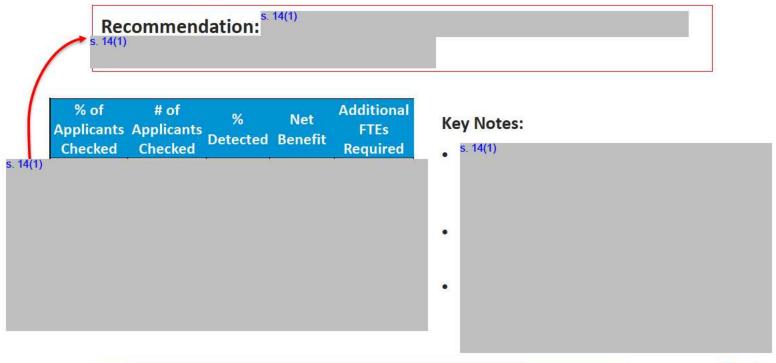
**ANALYSIS & DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS** 



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#### 1) Initial Eligibility Review - Analysis, cont'd

- We then looked at the cost/benefit of conducting reviews on a certain % of 'high risk' applicants using the risk model
- Based on this analysis, the following cost/benefit has been determined:



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#### 2) Ongoing/Periodic Eligibility Reviews, cont'd

- To begin the analysis, we looked at the cost/benefit of conducting reviews on a certain % of 'high risk' applicants using the risk model
- Based on this analysis, the following cost/benefit has been determined:

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Recommendation:

s. 14(1)

% of # of % Additional Clients Clients Detected Net Benefit FTEs
Required

s. 14(1)

Key Notes:

s. 14(1)

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#### 3) Annual Reviews - Analysis

- We looked at the frequency of reviews and whether or not the current frequency (of 12 months) could be modified using the risk model
- The following three options were analyzed against current state and each other:

	Option	F	Review Frequen	су	FT	Es	Cost	
		Low Risk	Medium Risk	High Risk	Estimate	Savings	Estimate	Savings
s. 14(1)	Current	12 months	12 months	12 months	14.3 FTEs		\$1.21M	0 <del>25</del>

Recommendation: s. 14(1)

Note: The volumes and time estimates for current state annual reviews were derived from the ESIA Administrative Cost Model



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#### 4) Monthly Income Statement Reporting - Analysis



#### Summary of Financial Analysis<sup>1</sup>

	Total Cost	Total FTE Requirement
Current State	\$952k	11.4
Proposed Future State <sup>2</sup>	s. 14(1)	
Total Savings / FTE Requirement		

s. 14(1)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Numbers are derived from the ESIA Administrative Cost Model

#### 4) Periodic Reporting



For clients who are <u>not</u> reporting on a monthly basis, the following option has been recommended:

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Recommendation

• s. 14(1)

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# 5) Special Needs - Financial Analysis (Summary)

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• s. 14(1)
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Special Need	Duamasad Duasasa	Savings		
Special Need	Proposed Process	Cost	FTEs	
Workshop Agreement		444)		
59 Telephone	Allowance	5. 14(1)		
8 Optical - Glasses	Allowance			
15 Furnishings (select items)	Allowance			
87 EP - Child Care	Reoccurring			
2 Travel and Transportation	Reoccurring			
86 EP - Transportation	Reoccurring			
39 Child Care	Reoccurring			
46 Medical Transportation	Reoccurring			
60 Drugs (Non-Prescription)	Reoccurring			
	Total:			

The estimated savings is



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# Summary of Financial Savings

	Recommendation								
Opportunity	Description	Savings / Avoidance	Δ FTEs						
1. Initial Eligibility Review	s. 14(1)								
2. Ongoing / Periodic Eligibility Reviews									
3. Annual Reviews									
4. Reporting									
5. Special Needs									
Totals:									



# **INTRODUCTION**



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# RISK MODEL DESIGN



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# 1. INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REVIEW



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#### Cost/Benefit of the EDP Pilot Project (3 months)

The EDP pilot project was conducted to determine if the IA program could increase expenditure reduction by using its information verification tools (e.g. Equifax) to screen applicants who don't pose overt eligibility concerns.

% of Clients Checked		Eligible Clients	Estimated Cost <sup>1</sup>	Estimated Benefit <sup>2</sup>	Total FTE Estimate
100% of clients checked in 4 pilot offices over a	33	412	s. 14(1)		
3 months time frame					



A sample size of approximately 25%

Given the current workload for EDP referrals, the additional FTE requirement was 2.5 FTE<sup>3</sup>



Conducting the pilot project on ~25% of the IA caseload for 3 months resulted in a \$139k net benefit with an additional requirement of 2.5 FTEs.



 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ Cost = (3 hours per review / 70% efficiency when doing multiple) x \$59/hr + \$7 = \$262 per review

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Benefit = an average of \$7,743 savings per review

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Assumes an average of 868 EDP referrals per year = 2.3 FTEs

#### Cost/Benefit of The EDP Pilot Project (1 year)

Using the pilot project results and the same process, we analyzed what net benefit would be for the entire IA caseload at intake for 1 year.

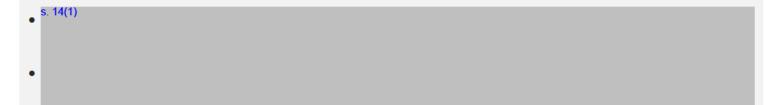
% of Clients Checked	Clients Checked <sup>1</sup>				Estimated Net Benefit	
100% of clients checked in all offices over 1 year	10,069	747	9,322	s. 14(1)		



100% of unique IA clients at intake that were deemed eligible

Given the current workload for EDP referrals, the additional FTE requirement would be 25 FTE<sup>4</sup>





 $<sup>^{</sup>m 1}$  Derived from ICM total clients with a status change from pending to eligible clients in 2015

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Assumes an average of 868 EDP referrals per year = 2.3 FTEs

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#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model

When using the risk model to select clients for EDP referrals, the following cost/benefit is achieved:

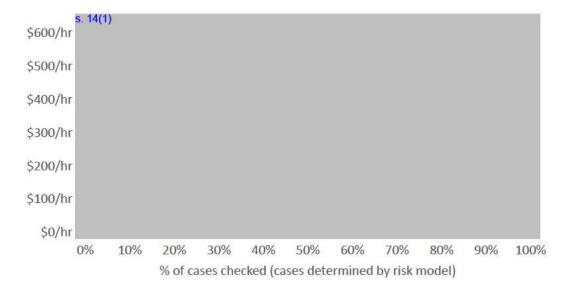
% of Clients Checked	Clients Checked	% Detected	and the second second	Clients	Cost	d Estimated Benefit	Net Benefit	Total FTE Estimate	Additional FTEs Required
Top 5%	503	28.6%	144	359	s. 14(1)				
Top 10%	1007	17.9%	180	827					
Top 20%	2014	11.6%	234	1780					
Top 50%	5035	9.1%	459	4575					
100%	10069	7.4%	747	9322					

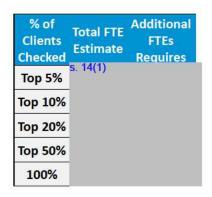
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#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model, cont'd

There will be diminishing returns as the percent of the caseload checked increases





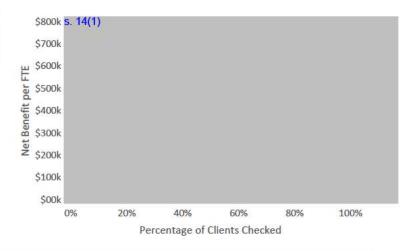




#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model (Summary)

When using the risk model to select applicants for EDP referrals, the following cost/benefit is achieved:

% of Applicants Checked	# of Applicants Checked	% Detected		Additional FTEs Required
Top 5%	503	28.6%	. 14(1)	
Top 10%	1007	17.9%		
Top 20%	2014	11.6%		
Top 50%	5035	9.1%		
100%	10069	7.4%		

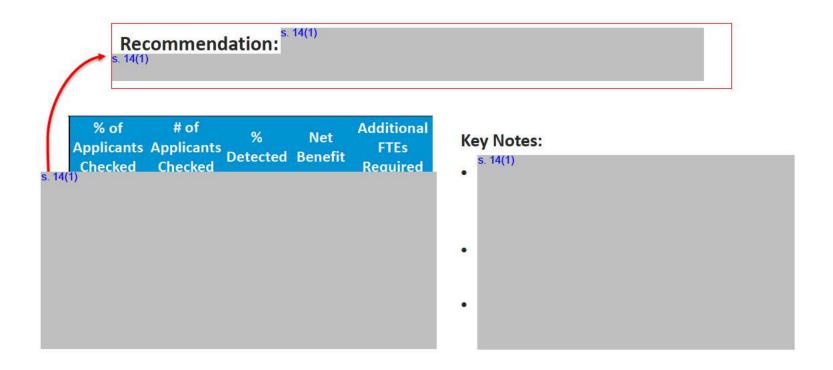






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# 2. ONGOING / PERIODIC ELIGIBILITY REVIEWS



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#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model

When using the risk model to select clients for eligibility reviews (ERs), the following cost/benefit is achieved:

% of Clients Checked	Clients Checked	% Detected		Clients	Cost	Estimated Benefit	Estimated Net Benefit	Total FTE Estimate
Top 1%	339	7.2%	24	314	s. 14(1)			
Top 2%	678	6.7%	46	632				
Top 3%	1016	6.4%	65	951				
Top 5%	1694	5.9%	100	1594				
Top 10%	3388	5.4%	182	3206				
Top 20%	6776	4.8%	328	6448				
Top 50%	16939	3.7%	622	16317				

#### Assumes:

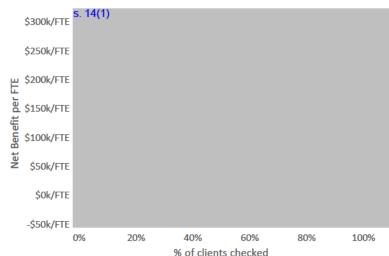
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- \$8,810/review benefit (Source: FY15/16 actual savings)
- Annual case load 33,878 (Source: ICM Payments Files, Count of Unique IA case IDs for fiscal 2015)

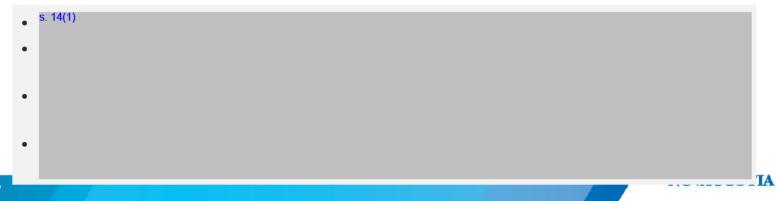


#### Cost/Benefit of Utilizing the Risk Model (summary)

After reviewing the results shown on the previous slide with workshop participants, there was concern that there should actually be more clients detected by the risk model. To account for this, a sensitivity analysis was performed (see Appendix C) and a conservative range was provided for the net benefit.

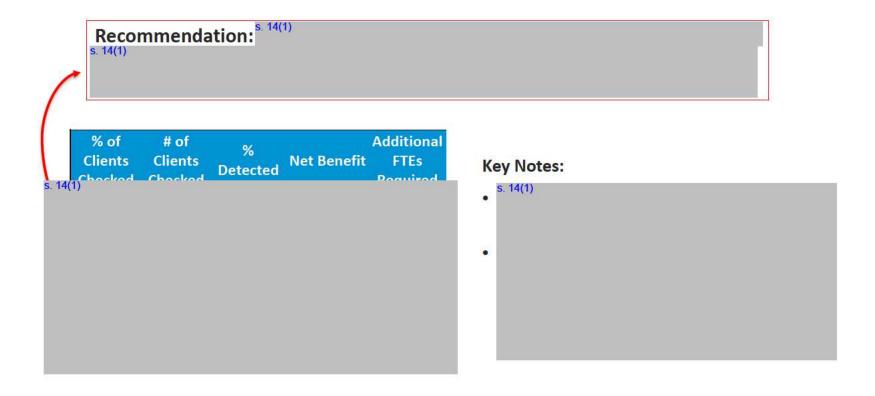
% of Clients Checked	# of Clients Checked	% Detected	Net Benefit	Additional FTEs Required
Top 1%	339	7.2%-14.4%	s. 14(1)	
Тор 2%	678	6.7%-13.5%		
Тор 3%	1016	6.4%-12.8%		
Top 5%	1694	5.9%-11.8%		
Top 10%	3388	5.4%-10.7%		





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# 3. ANNUAL REVIEWS



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# Annual Reviews Introduction, cont'd



Reporting Activity (Numbers derived from Admin Cost Model)	Total Cost	Total FTE Requirement
Annual Review: Prep, review with client, follow up (incl. IA Caseworker and IA Supervisor time)	s. 14(1)	



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## Financial Analysis, cont'd

Using the options on the previous slides and the client risk distribution, cost savings can be estimated

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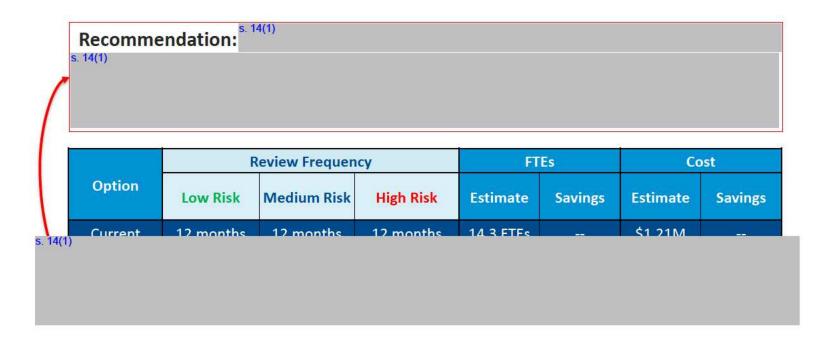
0.000	Review Frequency			FT	FTEs		Cost	
Option	Low Risk	Medium Risk	High Risk	Estimate	Savings	Estimate	Savings	
Current	12 months	12 months	12 months	14.3 FTEs	<u> </u>	\$1.21M		
Option 1	s. 14(1)							
Option 2								
Option 3								





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# 4. REPORTING



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#### Monthly Income Statement Reporting



#### What if only the clients with income were required to report on a monthly basis?

	Reporting Activity	Total Cost	Total FTE Requirement
Current State	Monthly Income Statement Reporting (complete/incomplete) (assumes 51% of client base on monthly reporting) <sup>1</sup>	\$952k	11.4
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	Total Savings and FTE Requirement	s. 14(1)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Numbers are derived from the Administrative Cost Model

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In 2015/16, 17% of clients reported income; however, only 8% budgets have income included indicating a significant portion of clients do not report income every month. These estimates are also aligned with the low and the high estimates from the Standard Household Rate work



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# **5. SPECIAL NEEDS**



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#### Special Needs - Financial Analysis (Details)

 The following table includes a break-down of the cost estimates from current state to future state and the estimated savings (grand total)

			Current State			Future State			Savings		
Special Need	Proposed Process	Set Up Cost	Receipt Processing Cost	Total Admin Cost	FTEs	Set Up Cost	Receipt Processing Cost	Total Admin Cost	FTEs	Cost	FTEs
Workshop Agreement	T-	9.								e e	<u></u>
59 Telephone	Allowance	\$111k	\$116k	\$227k	2.8FTEs	s. 14(1)					
8 Optical - Glasses	Allowance	\$16k	\$4k	\$20k	0.2FTEs						
15 Furnishings (select items)	Allowance	\$35k	\$8k	\$43k	0.5FTEs						
2 Travel and Transportation	Reoccurring	\$96k	\$41k	\$138k	1.7FTEs	7					
86 EP - Transportation	Reoccurring	\$148k	\$26k	\$174k	2.1FTEs						
46 Medical Transportation	Reoccurring	\$562k	\$134k	\$696k	8.5FTEs						
39 Child Care	Reoccurring	\$157k	\$8k	\$165k	2.0FTEs						
87 EP - Child Care	Reoccurring	\$54k	\$6k	\$60k	0.7FTEs						
91 Ambulance	Standardization	\$51k	\$4k	\$55k	0.7FTEs						
107 EP - Work Related Expenses	Standardization	\$23k	\$4k	\$26k	0.3FTEs						
60 Drugs (Non-Prescription)	Reoccurring	\$331k	\$23k	\$354k	4.3FTEs						
W. 199	Total:	1,1 12,000, 10		\$1.95M	24FTEs						

Notes:

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#### Special Needs - Financial Analysis (Summary)

- The special needs that were identified as being potential candidates for an allowance based delivery method or within a 'reoccurring process' are likely to produce some administrative savings, while providing a better overall client experience
- By shifting to more allowance based delivery or the reoccurring process, clients should have more control over their own lives

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Special Need	Proposed Process	Cost	FTEs
Norkshop Agreement		- 5484VA	N-1
59 Telephone	Allowance	s. 14(1)	
8 Optical - Glasses	Allowance		
15 Furnishings (select items)	Allowance		
87 EP - Child Care	Reoccurring		
2 Travel and Transportation	Reoccurring		
86 EP - Transportation	Reoccurring		
39 Child Care	Reoccurring		
46 Medical Transportation	Reoccurring		
60 Drugs (Non-Prescription)	Reoccurring		
	Total:		

The estimated savings is s. 14(1)



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Supplied Name	Duamanad Duaman	Sav	ings
Special Need	Proposed Process	Cost	FTEs
Workshop Agreement		. 14(1)	
59 Telephone	Allowance	. 14(1)	
8 Optical - Glasses	Allowance		
15 Furnishings (select items)	Allowance		
87 EP - Child Care	Reoccurring		
2 Travel and Transportation	Reoccurring		
86 EP - Transportation	Reoccurring		
39 Child Care	Reoccurring		
46 Medical Transportation	Reoccurring		
60 Drugs (Non-Prescription)	Reoccurring		
	Total:		



# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

& CONCLUSIONS



## Recommendations and Savings



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# **APPENDICES**



Appendix A:

Ineligibility Review

Analysis Approach & Assumptions

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Appendix B:

Ineligibility Review

**Process Diagrams** 

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Appendix C:

Ongoing Eligibility Review

Sensitivity Analysis

#### Sensitivity Analysis:

#### Sensitivity of Net Benefit to Review Time and Percent Detectable On Caseload

% of Clients Checked:	1%	
Annual ERs:	339	

Ineligble clients on	ER Length					
caseload	4hr ER	5hr ER	6hr ER	7hr ER		
2.6%	s. 14(1)					
5.2%						
7.8%						
10.4%						
FTE Requirement						

% of Clients Checked:	2%
Annual ERs:	678

Ineligble clients on	ER Length					
caseload	4hr ER	5hr ER	6hr ER	7hr ER		
2.6%	s. 14(1)					
5.2%						
7.8%						
10.4%						
FTE Requirement						

% of Clients Checked:	3%	
Annual ERs:	1016	

Ineligble clients on	ER Length			
caseload	4hr ER	5hr ER	6hr ER	7hr ER
2.6%	s. 14(1)			
5.2%				
7.8%				
10.4%				
FTE Requirement				

% of Clients Checked:	5%
Annual ERs:	1694

Ineligble clients on	ER Length			ER Length	
caseload	4hr ER	5hr ER	6hr ER	7hr ER	
2.6%	s. 14(1)				
5.2%					
7.8%					
10.4%					
FTE Requirement					

% of Clients Checked:		10%	
	Annual ERs:	3388	

Ineligble clients on	ER Length			
caseload	4hr ER	5hr ER	6hr ER	7hr ER
2.6%	s. 14(1)			
5.2%				
7.8%				
10.4%				
FTE Requirement				

% of Clients Checked:	20%
Annual ERs:	6776

Ineligble clients on	ER Length			
caseload	4hr ER	5hr ER	6hr ER	7hr ER
2.6%	5. 14(1)			
5.2%				
7.8%				
10.4%				
FTE Requirement				

Appendix D:

Ongoing Eligibility Review

**Review Time Justification** 

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Appendix E:

Ongoing Eligibility Review

**Process Diagrams** 

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Appendix F:

**Annual Reviews** 

Additional Factors Considered



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Appendix G:

**Annual Reviews** 

**Process Diagrams** 



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Appendix H:

Reporting

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**Special Needs** 

Figures & Tables from Analysis

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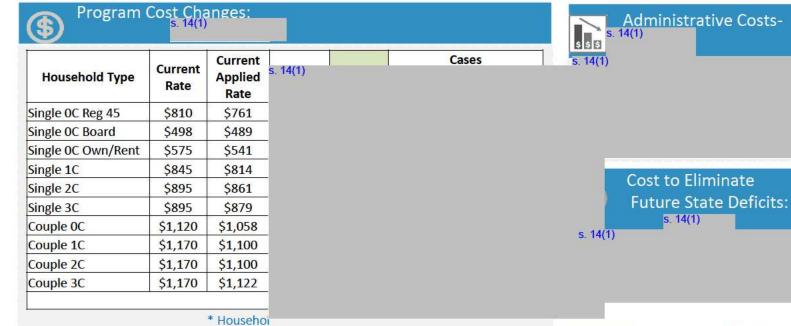
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## Standard Household Rate: Impacts

#### s. 14(1) **Net Cost Adequacy** Current **Future Employment HHType** Rate Increase Total **Household Type Applied Applied** Incentive Increase Change Total Total s. 14(1) Rate s. 14(1) single - 0C Rate \$777 \$761 single - 1C Single OC Reg 45 single - 2C Single OC Board \$489 \$501 Single OC O/R \$541 \$566 single - 3C couple - 0C Single 1C \$814 \$865 couple - 1C Single 2C \$861 \$913 Single 3C \$879 \$933 couple - 2C couple - 3C Couple 0C \$1,058 \$1,121 \$1,100 \$1,192 Couple 1C \$1,100 \$1,204 Couple 2C \$1,122 \$1,202 Couple 3C s. 14(1)

Low Behavioural Change Additional Employment Wages
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### Standard Household Rate:

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• Net Cost:



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