



Program Policy Manual Update

Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Program

Subject: Overpayments due to the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB)

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BACKGROUND:

The Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) is a federal financial support for persons whose employment has been directly affected by COVID-19. Income from the CERB is reportable to the Canada Revenue Agency.

The Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) program applies an income exemption to a portion of the CERB, when calculating financial eligibility for benefits.

Program staff are required to assess an overpayment for any non-exempt portion of the CERB received by a client who received AISH during the same period of assistance. There is no exemption on repayment; and clients must repay the full amount owing.

All levels of delegation (worker, supervisor, manager) have the authority to assess and review overpayments that result from the CERB.

When assessing an overpayment due to the CERB, the standard notification process is abbreviated. One letter is issued to confirm the overpayment and the amount to be repaid.

INTENT:

To temporarily revise decision making authority to assess overpayments that result from the CERB.

POLICY:

The following program policies have been updated:

[Overpayments as a Result of Retroactive Payments](#)
[Notice of Overpayment](#)