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## **Program Policy Manual Update**

Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped

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## **BACKGROUND:**

As part of the National Housing Strategy, the governments of Canada and Alberta are partnering to provide the Canada Housing Benefit for Survivors of Gender-Based Violence (CHB-GBV) to support individuals fleeing gender-based violence.

To ensure Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) applicants and clients who are eligible for the CHB GBV can use these payments for their housing needs, the Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services has exercised his authority to exempt these payments as income, through a Ministerial Order.

## INTENT:

To ensure AISH policy accurately reflects the treatment of CHB GBV payments.

## POLICY:

The following policies have been updated:

- <u>Income Type Exemption Table</u> under the <u>Income Policy</u>
- Fully Exempt Income