

Subject: Siksika Nation Global Settlement Agreement: Treatment of July 2022 Per Capita Distribution Payments

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BACKGROUND:

Siksika Nation has reached a Global Settlement Agreement with the Government of Canada with respect to four claims, including a claim regarding reserve land illegally surrendered in 1910. In July 2022, Siksika Nation will be issuing per capita distribution (PCD) payments of up to \$40,000 to each of its members.

For Expected to Work (ETW) and Barriers to Full Employment (BFE) recipients, these PCD payments are exempt as income. Any asset or liquid asset purchased or obtained with money from these payments, to the extent of the initial payment amount, is also exempt, as per [Ministerial Order No. 2022-10](#).

Note: These exemptions only apply to the July 2022 PCD payment resulting from the Global Settlement Agreement. The treatment of any future PCD payments provided with funds from the Agreement will be addressed separately.

INTENT:

To ensure Expected to Work/Barriers to Full Employment policy accurately reflects the treatment of the July 2022 PCD payments from proceeds of the Siksika Nation Global Settlement Agreement.

POLICY:

The following policies have been updated:

Fully Exempt Income
Asset Exemptions