

## Appendix D: Outcomes

For the purposes of the Interim Settlement Agreement, the parties recognize the following as the final outcomes of the remedy. These are intended to summarize the results of, rather than to add to, the specific work required under the Interim Settlement Agreement.

### 1. Institutionalization

- Closure of all Provincially funded institutions, currently known as Regional Rehabilitation Centers, Adult Residential Centers, Residential Care Facilities, Group Homes and Developmental Residences.
- Every person 'in need' with a disability under the *SAA* has the option of living in a community-based, non-congregate setting.
- Develop and implement an explicit policy and practice that all persons in need with disabilities residing in in LTC facilities or nursing homes are given the option of community-based supports and services under the *SAA*.
- Develop and maintain an explicit policy and practice to neither create nor open any new institutions.
- Develop and maintain an explicit policy and practice that no support under the *SAA* or successor programs is provided in institutions and that all support will be provided in community-based settings.
- Develop and maintain an explicit policy and practice of 'No new admissions' to DSP funded institutions.
- Develop and implement an explicit policy and practice that if a crisis leads to temporary hospitalization, the DSP will continue the person's supports and services under the *SAA* sufficient to maintain their community based living arrangement/individualised funding.

### 2. Community of Choice

Province to develop and implement explicit policies and practices to provide that persons eligible under the *SAA* or similar programs are entitled to, and do, receive accommodative assistance in their community of choice.

### 3. Assistance as of Right

- a. Province to develop and implement explicit policy and practice that all relevant policies under the *SAA* make explicit that accommodative assistance is provided 'as an entitlement' or 'as of right.'
- b. Such policies and practices will ensure that all persons in need with disabilities requiring supports and services are eligible for assistance.
- c. Province to provide complete updated Disability Supports Program policy, practices, and procedures, with any changes during the period highlighted, including:
  1. Relating to timely access to accommodative assistance,

2. *Social Assistance Act* eligibility,
3. Policies relating to or consistent with receiving assistance in community of choice,
4. Rescission of exclusionary provisions including those currently found at 9.3 and 9.4,
5. Inclusion of new DSP programming including individualised planning and coordination supports and individualised funding, expanded eligibility for Independent Living Support ILS program, Shared services and all other programming,
6. Enhanced Disability Supports Program Intake and triage function,
7. Local Area Coordination and referrals,
8. Intensive Planning and Support Coordination and referrals,
9. Emergency Response Team and referrals,
10. Any revision or changes to DSP policy which relate to the person's/participant's ability to review/appeal any applications that are denied based on non-financial eligibility criteria.
11. Policy and procedures to ensure that the Province establishes no new congregate or institutional settings for persons with disabilities
12. Policy and procedures, including dates and timelines, for prohibition on new admissions to the following DSP funded facilities: RRC, ARC, RCF, Group Homes and Developmental Residences
13. Right to appeal

- d. Province to implement widespread accessible training regarding supported decision-making for individuals, families, service providers and DSP staff. Training to embed human rights principles. Supported decision-making to be built into planning and needs assessment re relational support.

#### 4. Assistance without Delay

- Develop and implement an explicit policy and practice that all eligible applicants and recipients on the current "DSP Service Request List" and all eligible applicants on an ongoing basis receive immediate and timely access to individual planning and coordination supports and individualised funding;
- Discontinue the Service Request List or DSP waitlist
- Develop and implement an explicit policy and practice to ensure that all eligible persons with disabilities under the *SAA* or similar programs are provided with access to emergency or transition funds without delay until individualised funding is approved.
- Province to initiate process for establishment of immediate and timely access to individualised funding (IF) without delay including:
  - an accessible, user facing system for personal budget management and administration.
  - system for emergency employee cover (likely contracted out) for IF users.