

DFN INCOME ASSISTANCE

Note: This example is provided to show how concurrent jurisdictions in the area of Income Assistance would work.

In this example, a public Dehcho Regional Government exercises the jurisdiction. If the Dehcho Regional Government was an exclusive Aboriginal Government that represents and serves only Dehcho Citizens, the jurisdiction of the Dehcho Regional Government would be restricted to Dehcho Citizens and the GNWT will continue to be responsible for other residents of the Dehcho Region.

DEFINITIONS

In this Chapter:

“**Client**” means an individual in the Settlement Area who has applied for or is receiving Income Assistance; and

“**Income Assistance**” means any form of aid, monetary or otherwise, by the Dehcho Regional Government, that is provided to assist a person in need within the settlement area.

IA.1 JURISDICTION

IA.1.1 The Dehcho Regional Government has Jurisdiction in the <name of region>Settlement Area with respect to Income Assistance.

IA.1.2 The Jurisdiction of the Dehcho Regional Government set out in IA.1.1 does not include setting any residency conditions in relation to being eligible for Income Assistance.

IA.2 STANDARDS

IA.2.1 Dehcho Regional Government Laws made pursuant to section IA.1.1 shall provide for standards compatible with NWT Income Assistance core principles and objectives.

IA.3 AGREEMENTS

IA.3.1 Where the Dehcho Regional Government is providing Income Assistance to Clients in <name of region>the Settlement Area pursuant to Dehcho Regional Government Law, the Dehcho Regional Government and the Government of the Northwest Territories shall enter into negotiations towards reaching agreements for the exchange of information regarding those Clients.

IA.3.2 The Government of the Northwest Territories retains the authority to represent the Northwest Territories in discussions with other territories, provinces or Canada on Income Assistance, and may enter into agreements with other territories, provinces or Canada with respect to Income Assistance.

IA.4 CONFLICT

IA.4.1 In the event of a conflict between a Dehcho Regional Government Law made pursuant to this chapter and a Federal Law or NWT Law, the Dehcho Regional Government Law prevails to the extent of the conflict.