No New Admissions Policy Revisions – Recommended Schedule

The following policy changes are recommended be made to implement the No New Admissions Policy.

1. For **immediate** implementation:

ARC/RRC Policy

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
SECTION 5.4.1 ADULT RESIDENTIAL CENTRE (ARC)	**Current**	An Adult Residential Centre provides support to participants who need high levels of supervision and support in their activities of daily living, routine home and community activities. An ARC provides structured supports and services to enhance the development of a participant's interpersonal, community oriented and activities of daily living skills to support their transition to a community-based option. Staffing is provided 24 hours/7 days a week.
SECTION 5.4.1 ADULT RESIDENTIAL CENTRE (ARC)	**Proposed**	An Adult Residential Centre provides support to participants who need high levels of supervision and support in their activities of daily living, routine home and community activities. An ARC provides structured supports and services to enhance the development of a participant's interpersonal, community oriented and activities of daily living skills to support their transition to a community-based option. Staffing is provided 24 hours/7 days a week. Effective January 1, 2025, admissions to Adult Residential Centres will cease. Please refer to section 5.4.3 (ARC and RRC Eligibility Criteria) to review the eligibility criteria for ARC

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SECTION 5.4.2 REGIONAL REHABILITATION CENTRE (RRC)	**Current**	A Regional Rehabilitation Centre provides support to participants who need a range of support in activities of daily living, routine home community activities, and need high levels of support with severe/multiple behavior challenges. A RRC provides both rehabilitation and developmental programs to participants who require an intensive level of support and supervision related to complex behavioral challenges and skill development needs to support their transition to a community-based option. Staffing is provided 24 hours/7 days a week.
SECTION 5.4.2 REGIONAL REHABILITATION CENTRE (RRC)	**Proposed**	A Regional Rehabilitation Centre (RRC) provides support to participants who need a range of support in activities of daily living, routine home community activities, and need high levels of support with severe/multiple behavior challenges. An RRC provides both rehabilitation and developmental programs to participants who require an intensive level of support and supervision related to complex behavioral challenges and skill development needs to support their transition to a community-based option. Staffing is provided 24 hours/7 days a week. Effective January 1, 2025, admissions to Regional Rehabilitation Centres will cease.

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
SECTION 5.4.3 ARC AND RRC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	**Current**	To request an ARC or RRC support option, an applicant must meet the one of the following criteria: • An adult in need of protection under sections 7, 9 or 10 of the Adult Protection Act requiring immediate support. • A participant in hospital who has been discharged from their support option. • An applicant referred from a hospital requiring immediate support. • An applicant or participant evaluated by a DSP Care Coordinator as high risk, requiring urgent support. The DSP Director must confirm all available community support options have been explored and approve the request for ARC or RRC support. Applicants who meet the above criteria may request ARC or RRC support using the DSP Service Request (section 7.0).
SECTION 5.4.3 ARC AND RRC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	**Proposed**	To request an ARC or RRC support option, an applicant must meet the one of the following criteria: • An adult in need of protection under sections 7, 9 or 10 of the Adult Protection Act requiring immediate support. • A participant in hospital who has been discharged from their support option. • An applicant referred from a hospital requiring immediate support. • An applicant or participant evaluated by a DSP Care Coordinator as high risk, requiring urgent support. The DSP Director must confirm all available community support options have been explored and approve the request for ARC or RRC support. Applicants who meet the above criteria may request ARC or RRC support using the DSP Service Request (section 7.0). Effective January 1, 2025, admissions to Adult Residential Centres and Regional Rehabilitation Centres will cease. Please refer to section 5.0 for available DSP support options.

Residential Care Facilities

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
SECTION 5.3 RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY (RCF)	**Current**	A Residential Care Facility provides participants with residential living support, minimal support with their activities of daily living, routine home and community activities. Participants are provided with limited direct support/supervision and generally do not have major medical or behavioral support needs.
SECTION 5.3 RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY (RCF)	**Proposed**	A Residential Care Facility provides participants with residential living support, minimal support with their activities of daily living, routine home and community activities. Participants are provided with limited direct support/supervision and generally do not have major medical or behavioral support needs. Effective January 1, 2025, admissions to Residential Care Facilities will cease.

Group Homes

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
SECTION 5.2.1 GROUP HOME (GH)	**Current**	A Group Home provides participants with residential living support, learning and assistance with their activities of daily living, routine home and community activities. A Group Home focuses on enhancing a participant's skill development.
SECTION 5.2.1 GROUP HOME (GH)	**Proposed**	A Group Home provides participants with residential living support, learning and assistance with their activities of daily living, routine home and community activities. A Group Home focuses on enhancing a participant's skill development. Effective January 1, 2026, Group Homes with more than four beds will cease any new admissions until they have reduced their bed numbers to a maximum of four.

Developmental Residences

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
SECTION 5.2.2 DEVELOPMENTAL RESIDENCES (DR)	**Current**	A Developmental Residence provides 24-hour residential support and supervision for four or more persons with intellectual disabilities who need moderate support with activities of daily living and high support with routine home and community activities. Developmental Residences provide program supports which emphasize the development of participants' interpersonal, self-care, domestic and community-oriented skills. There are three categories of Developmental Residences: 1. DRI – for participants with a moderate to severe intellectual disability who require supervision or support to perform most of their activities of daily living and who do not present with persistent behavioral challenges. 2. DRII – for participants with a severe intellectual disability who have challenges performing most of their activities of daily living and may have a chronic health problem or a physical disability, and who rarely present with persistent behavioral challenges toward others but may present with persistent behavioral issues towards themselves (i.e. hitting oneself, self-stimulating behavior, etc.). 3. DRIII – for participants with intellectual disabilities who present with persistent behavioral challenges towards others and themselves that impact most of their activities of daily living or instrumental activities of daily living.
SECTION 5.2.2 DEVELOPMENTAL RESIDENCES (DR)	**Proposed**	A Developmental Residence provides 24-hour residential support and supervision for four or more persons with intellectual disabilities who need moderate support with activities of daily living and high support with routine home and community activities. Developmental Residences provide program supports which emphasize the development of participant's interpersonal, self-care, domestic and community-oriented skills. Effective January 1, 2026, Developmental Residences may support a maximum of four participants. There are three categories of Developmental Residences: 1. DRI – for participants with a moderate to severe intellectual disability who require supervision or support to perform most of their activities of daily living and who do not present with persistent behavioral challenges. 2. DRII – for participants with a severe intellectual disability who have challenges performing most of their activities of daily living and may have a chronic health problem or a physical disability, and who rarely present with persistent behavioral challenges toward others but may present with persistent behavioral issues towards themselves (i.e. hitting oneself, self-stimulating behavior, etc.). 3. DRIII – for participants with intellectual disabilities who present with persistent behavioral challenges towards others and themselves that impact most of their activities of daily living or instrumental activities of daily living.

2. For implementation **January 1, 2025**:

The recommendation to schedule removal for January 1, 2025 is based on ARCs, RRCs and RCFs continuing to be options for placement until that date.

DSP Support Options Policy

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
SECTION 5.0 DSP SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Current**	DSP offers community based support and residential support through: 1) a Community Based Option (unlicensed); 2) a Community Home (licensed); 3) Residential Care Facility; and 4) Adult Residential/Regional Rehabilitation Centre (licensed).
SECTION 5.0 DSP SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Proposed**	DSP offers community based support and residential support through: 1) a Community Based Option (unlicensed); 2) a Community Home (licensed); 3) Residential Care Facility; and 4) Adult Residential/Regional Rehabilitation Centre (licensed).

ARC/RRC Policy

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
7.3.7 LEVEL 3 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Current**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 3 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) Developmental Residences (I) f) Adult Residential Centres All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies.
7.3.7 LEVEL 3 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Proposed**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 3 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support

c) Independent Living Support
d) Small Option Homes
e) Developmental Residences (I)
f) Adult Residential Centres

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- the scope of services;
- funding and staffing complement; and
- in adherence to all applicable policies.

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE

7.4.7
LEVEL 4 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS
	Current	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 4 may be supported within the following options:
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    e) Developmental Residences (II or III)
		    f) Adult Residential Centres
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		
		- the option being considered;
		- the scope of services;
		- funding and staffing complement; and
		- in adherence to all applicable policies.

7.4.7
LEVEL 4 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS
	Proposed	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 4 may be supported within the following options:
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    e) Developmental Residences (II or III)
		    f) Adult Residential Centres
		
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		- the option being considered;
		- the scope of services;
		- funding and staffing complement; and
		- in adherence to all applicable policies.

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
7.5.7 LEVEL 5 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Current**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 5 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) Developmental Residences (III) f) Regional Rehabilitation Centres. All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies.
7.5.7 LEVEL 5 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Proposed**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 5 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) Developmental Residences (III) f) Regional Rehabilitation Centres. All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies.

RCF Policy

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE

7.1.7
LEVEL 1 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS
	Current	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 1 may be supported within the following options:
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    e) Group Homes
		    f) Residential Care Facility
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		  • the option being considered;
		  • the scope of services;
		  • funding and staffing complement; and
		  • in adherence to all applicable policies.

	Proposed	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 1 may be supported within the following options:
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    e) Group Homes
		    ~~f) Residential Care Facility~~
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		  • the option being considered;
		  • the scope of services;
		  • funding and staffing complement; and
		  • in adherence to all applicable policies.

3. For implementation **January 1, 2026**:

Group Home Policy

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
7.1.7 LEVEL 1 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Current**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 1 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) Group Homes f) Residential Care Facility All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies.
7.1.7 LEVEL 1 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Proposed**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 1 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) ~~Group Homes~~ f) ~~Residential Care Facility~~ All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies.

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
7.2.7 LEVEL 2 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Current**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 2 may be supported within the options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) Group Homes All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies
7.2.7	**Proposed**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 2 may be supported within the options:

LEVEL 2 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	a) Flex Individualized Funding
	b) Alternative Family Support
	c) Independent Living Support
	d) Small Option Homes
	e) Group Homes
	All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
	• the option being considered;
	• the scope of services;
	• funding and staffing complement; and
	• in adherence to all applicable policies

Developmental Residences Policy

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE
7.3.7 LEVEL 3 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Current**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 3 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) Developmental Residences (I) f) Adult Residential Centres All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies.
7.3.7 LEVEL 3 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS	**Proposed**	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 3 may be supported within the following options: a) Flex Individualized Funding b) Alternative Family Support c) Independent Living Support d) Small Option Homes e) Developmental Residences (I) f) Adult Residential Centres All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within: • the option being considered; • the scope of services; • funding and staffing complement; and • in adherence to all applicable policies.

POLICY SECTION	CURRENT/PROPOSED	POLICY LANGUAGE

7.4.7
LEVEL 4 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS
	Current	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 4 may be supported within the following options:
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    e) Developmental Residences (II or III)
		    f) Adult Residential Centres
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		
		• the option being considered;
		• the scope of services;
		• funding and staffing complement; and
		• in adherence to all applicable policies.

7.4.7
LEVEL 4 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS
	Proposed	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 4 may be supported within the following options:
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    e) ~~Developmental Residences (II or III)~~
		    f) ~~Adult Residential Centres~~
		
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		• the option being considered;
		• the scope of services;
		• funding and staffing complement; and
		• in adherence to all applicable policies.

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7.5.7
LEVEL 5 - PROGRAM SUPPORT OPTIONS
	Current	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 5 may be supported within the following options:
		
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    e) Developmental Residences (III)
		    f) Regional Rehabilitation Centres.
		
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		• the option being considered;
		• the scope of services;
		• funding and staffing complement; and
		• in adherence to all applicable policies.

7.5.7
LEVEL 5 - PROGRAM
SUPPORT OPTIONS
	Proposed	An applicant/participant whose assessed needs are determined to be Level 5 may be supported within the following options:
		
		    a) Flex Individualized Funding
		    b) Alternative Family Support
		    c) Independent Living Support
		    d) Small Option Homes
		    ~~e) Developmental Residences (III)~~
		    ~~f) Regional Rehabilitation Centres.~~
		
		All approvals will ensure that the applicant/participant's support needs can be met within:
		    • the option being considered;
		    • the scope of services;
		    • funding and staffing complement; and
		    • in adherence to all applicable policies.