

Current DSP Policy	Revised DSP Policy
Program Policy	Program Policy
9.0 INELIGIBILITY	9.0 COLLABORATION
9.1 Assessed Needs	9.1 Collaboration with appropriate partner agencies will be initiated to identify support options if:
9.1.1 If an applicant/participant's assessed support needs cannot be safely met within one of the five levels of support provided by the DSP, or with the assistance of available standard community resources, if necessary; the applicant/participant is ineligible for DSP programs. This requires consultation with the Casework Supervisor.	9.1.1 an applicant/participant's support needs cannot be safely met within one of the five levels of support provided by the DSP. Consultation with the Casework Supervisor and DSP Specialist is required.
9.1.3 An applicant is ineligible for DSP programs and funding when it is determined that their assessed needs would be best supported by a residential support option under the mandate of the Department of Health and Wellness (DHW), Continuing Care Branch or the Nova Scotia Health Authority.	Deleted
9.1.4 An applicant whose primary need for care and support is palliative is ineligible for admission to the DSP.	9.1.2 an applicant/participant whose primary need for care and support is palliative
9.3.2 An applicant who is an active substance abuser or whose support needs are primarily related to substance abuse withdrawal are not eligible for the DSP.	9.1.3 an applicant has a diagnosed Substance Use Disorder impacting the provision of support. Consultation with the Casework Supervisor and DSP Specialist is required.
9.2 Involuntary Patients An involuntary patient in a psychiatric facility is not eligible for admission or re-admission to the DSP unless they meet the DSP eligibility criteria for patients with Community Treatment Orders and Certificates of Leave (see section 4.6 of this Policy).	9.1.4 an applicant/participant is an involuntary patient in a psychiatric facility. Refer to Policy 4.6 Community Treatment Orders and Certificates of Leave.
9.3.2 An applicant who is an active substance abuser or whose support needs are primarily related to substance abuse withdrawal are not eligible for the DSP.	See 9.1.3 revised above

<p>9.4.1 If a participant's behavioural or medical needs increase after admission to the DSP, the Care Coordinator shall:</p> <p>a) complete a re-assessment of the participant's support needs</p> <p>b) based on the participant's increased needs pursue standard community resources from the Nova Scotia Health Authority; or</p> <p>c) seek an alternative support option for the participant through the Department of Community Services or the Nova Scotia Health Authority.</p>	Deleted
<p>9.4.2 If the resources referred to in section 9.4 of this Policy are not readily available and the unavailability creates a significant impact on the safety and well-being of the participant, the Care Coordinator may pursue assistance with short-term interventions through section 7.6.2 of the DSP Basic and Special Needs Policy. These interventions may only be offered until such time as standard community resources, or an alternative support option for the participant, becomes available.</p>	Deleted
<p>9.4.3 A DSP participant may access addiction rehabilitation and recovery programs while in the DSP</p>	Deleted (addressed in program Policy 12.1 and Special Needs Policy 7.6.3)
Level of Support Policy	Level of Support Policy
10.0 INELIGIBILITY (See Program Policy section 9.0)	10.0 ASSESSED SUPPORT NEEDS IDENTIFIED OUTSIDE OF DSP LEVELS OF SUPPORT
<p>10.1 An applicant/participant is ineligible for the DSP if:</p> <p>a) the applicant/participant refuses to participate in the functional assessment or reassessment, or fails to provide the supporting documentation required by the Care Coordinator to assess and determine their level of support;</p> <p>b) their assessed support needs cannot be met under DSP policies, even with the inclusion of available standard community resources;</p> <p>c) their primary need for care and support is</p>	10.1 Collaborative option with appropriate partner agencies initiated (See Program Policy sections 9.0 or 4.8.)

<p>palliative;</p> <p>d) the applicant/participant is an active substance abuser or whose support needs are primarily related to substance abuse withdrawal;</p> <p>e) they are an involuntary patient under the law, in a psychiatric facility; unless they meet the DSP eligibility criteria for patients with Community Treatment Orders and Certificates of Leave;</p>	
<p>f) their assessed support needs exceed the Levels in this Policy and are determined to be at a level met under the mandate of the Department of Health and Wellness (DHW). For DSP applicants/participants who require DHW level of support, a referral will be made to Continuing Care or the Nova Scotia Health Authority (NSHA). The DSP is not intended to prevent, delay or to serve as an alternative to a service under the mandate of Department of Health and Wellness, such as a nursing home.</p>	<p>10.2 REFERRAL TO ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS INDICATED</p> <p>10.2.1 if the applicant is a senior with an age-related condition, they will be supported to apply for supports under the mandate of the Department of Seniors and Long Term Care</p>
<p>10.2 When a participant has been referred to, and approved by, a service under the mandate of the DHW the participant will be supported in their current DSP support option until such time as the DHW support option becomes available.</p>	<p>10.3 When a participant has been referred to, and approved by, a service under the mandate of the SLTC the participant will be supported in their current DSP support option until such time as the SLTC support option becomes available.</p>