

## **Memorandum**

**To:** Ontario Employment Assistance Service Providers

**From:** David Cronin  
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Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development

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**Subject:** Ontario Employment Assistance Services – Additional Funding  
Announcement

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### **Objective**

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the increase in flow-through funding to Ontario Employment Assistance Service (OEAS) service delivery sites committed to delivering client supports and job matching and placements services.

### **What is happening?**

There will be an increase in flow-through funding to 33 OEAS service delivery sites for OEAS providers to provide the full range of employment supports, including supporting job matching and placement incentives to clients with disabilities for the remainder of the fiscal year, ending on March 31, 2022.

This allocations increase is for Service Providers (SPs) to provide a combination of employer incentives and other supports for individuals (combined maximum of \$3,000 per participant). Allocations have been shared with Regional Offices and they are in the process of finalizing TPA amendments.

The OEAS agreement amendment includes a new budget line called *“Employment and Training Incentives for Employers.”* The budget line *“Support for Individuals”* remains as is.

## **Who is affected?**

OEAS Service Providers that are committed to offer client supports and job matching and placement services with agreements from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

## **What should be done now?**

Service Providers are expected to use the new Training Incentive Placement Agreement form that will be posted on the EOPG to capture placement activity under OEAS. EOIS-CaMS already has a build for service plan items to capture this service in the system.

## **Contact Information**

For further clarification, please contact your local ministry representative.

## **Background**

OEAS provides financial support to organizations that deliver employment services to people with disabilities. Employment assistance helps people with disabilities return to work through activities that may include assessment, case management, counselling, life skills, diagnostic services, job development and job coaching. Until now, OEAS providers have not received funding to support job matching and placement activities through employer incentives. For this reason, the ministry has decided to provide additional flow-through funding to support this activity and allow OEAS clients to access a wider range of employment and training supports.

Sincerely,

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