

CIRCULAR

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To: Community Social Service Supervisors/Program Managers

Subject: **Gift Exemption for EIA Recipients**

Reference: Section 8(1)(a)(viii) of the Assistance Regulation

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The purpose of this circular is to inform staff of a recent amendment to the Assistance Regulation regarding gifts received by participants while in receipt of Employment and Income Assistance (EIA).

Effective August 1, 2025, Section 8(1)(a)(viii) of the Assistance Regulation is amended to define the gift exemption for recipients enrolled under the general assistance, single parent, and other non-disability categories as gifts of a recurring or non-recurring nature, to a maximum of \$100 per person in the household per month, up to a maximum of \$400 per household per month.

This replaces the previous provision, which exempted only non-recurring gifts of up to \$100. The amendment aligns this exemption with the current practice for recipients under the Medical Barriers to Full Employment category, who remain eligible for up to \$500 per month in gifts of a recurring or non-recurring nature. It is also consistent with the exemption under the Manitoba Supports for Persons with Disabilities (Manitoba Supports) program.