



NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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Update on PWDP Cash Flow

Based on discussions with the Department, we can advise you of the following measures to provide an advance payment and subsequent top-up payments under the Pandemic Work Disruption Policy.

Over 450 physicians have applied for the Policy so far. There are a number of complexities in adding a new payment component, so the Department has agreed to provide an “advance top-up payment”, recognizing the cash flow needs of physicians, while it continues to complete the calculations for the future top-up payments.

There will be an “advance top-up payment” of \$10,000 per program participant whose applications were received by the Department from the RHAs on or before May 5th (approximately 450). The target date for payment is May 20th. If there is any difficulty making the payment on that date, we will update you again. This payment will come on top of any MCP billings applicable to this pay period.

The \$10,000 payment is an advance payment on the retroactive period starting March 18, 2020. It is possible that for some physicians the \$10,000 will actually be an over-payment as compared to what is owed to the physician under the Policy. Any over-payments will be reconciled and deducted from future payments.

The first round of top-up payments will cover the period March 18 to April 29. This payment is targeted for June 3rd. If there are any difficulties achieving this date you will be advised. Please note that deduction of the advance payment from the top-up payment will likely start at this time.

We will advise you in advance as soon as we know the status of other future top-up payments.

An MCP newsletter will be issued regarding the payment process.

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