



Housing Services Notice

Date: May 31, 2021

HSN#: 2021-08

This applicable legislation/policy is to be implemented effective this date by the housing provider(s) under the following programs:

Please note, if your program is **not checked**, this change does not apply to your project.

- Federal Non-Profit Housing Program
- Federal Section 26/27 Housing Program
- Federal Urban Native Non-Profit Housing Program
- Private Non-Profit Housing Program
- Municipal Non-Profit Housing Program (Pre-1986)
- Local Housing Corporation
- Local Housing Corporation—Rent Supplement Programs
- Affordable Housing Programs (AHP, IAH, SIF, OPHI)
- Housing Access (Centralized Waiting List Services)

Subject: **Extension of benefits available under the Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB), the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB), the Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit (CRCB) and EI regular benefits**

Reference:

- *Update from Service Canada (attached in both French and English)*
- *HSN 2020-08 (Provincial Providers)*
- *HSN 2020-11 (Federal Providers)*

Background:

In 2020, the DNSSAB issued Housing Services Notices to housing providers who administer both Provincial rent-g geared-to-income (RGI) and Federal rent-to-income (RTI) on how to deal with new federal benefits available to tenants due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These benefits included the Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB), the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB), the Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit (CRCB) and EI regular benefits.

The Federal government has now provided an update, through Service Canada, on the extension of benefits available under these programs.

Action:

Please see the update attached (in French and English) from Service Canada explaining the extensions of benefits available under the Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB), the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB), the Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit (CRCB) and EI regular benefits.

Housing providers are directed to continue to use the methodology described in HSN 2020-08 (Provincial Providers) and HSN 2020-11 (Federal Providers) for the administration RGI and RTI rent calculations.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this or any other Housing Services Notice, please contact the Housing Programs Administrator assigned to your portfolio:

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