

FACTSHEET

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Ministry of Housing and Social Development

EARNINGS EXEMPTIONS FOR CAREGIVERS OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

- An earnings exemption up to \$300 per month to single income assistance clients with a child who, due to the nature of the child's disability, are prevented from leaving home for employment, or are limited to working part-time (up to 30 hours per week) outside the home.
- Earnings exemptions allow eligible clients to keep a portion of their income in addition to their monthly income assistance cheque.
- The ministry recognizes that although caregivers for children with disabilities are often unable to seek full-time employment, some are able to work or earn income in their homes (i.e., room and board) or manage part-time work outside the home.
- This exemption applies to a single income assistance client who is the primary caregiver of a child with disabilities. The child may be a dependent child of the caregiver, a child in the home of a relative (caregiver receives funds under the ministry's Child in the Home of a Relative program), or a foster child.

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