

Part 1: Introduction

(iii) Purpose of the Income and Employment Support Act

Intent:	To highlight the purpose of the Income and Employment Support Act, as defined in the Act.
Act	<p>3.(1) The purpose of this Act is to facilitate the provision of income and employment support to eligible persons.</p> <p>(2) Income support programs and services include programs and services designed to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> provide financial assistance to persons determined to be in need in order to assist in meeting daily living expenses, shelter, transportation to medical services and special needs; provide supplementary financial assistance to eligible persons with earned income; provide supplementary financial assistance to eligible families in accordance with inter-governmental funding arrangements; provide support to victims of violence, including timely access to financial assistance and referrals to other services to ensure the safety of those individuals and their children; and provide other programs and services that the minister may, as needs demonstrate, decide are appropriate. <p>(3) Employment support programs and services include programs and services designed to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> assist individuals to acquire the employment supports, skills and experience necessary to successfully prepare for, access and keep employment, including self-employment, and to obtain access to job opportunities and training; provide for employment assessments and the development of employment plans, including programs and services designed to help meet the objectives of an employment plan; provide financial assistance to assist employers in offering employment experience and on-the-job training; provide grants and support to approved community agencies that offer employment services;

	<p>e. assist individuals to research, explore and make informed decisions about careers, training and employment opportunities;</p> <p>f. provide for those additional supports not referred to in paragraphs (a) to (e) which are required to assist persons with disabilities prepare for, access and keep employment, including self-employment, and for the inclusion and accommodation of their unique circumstances and needs; and</p> <p>g. provide other programs and services that the minister may, as needs demonstrate, decide are appropriate.</p>
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