## CBI HEALTH

FROM: October 12, 2023
TO: October 11, 2024

## President's Message



Dear Member,

A union collective agreement is like a Charter of Rights. It explains, protects and guarantees your rights on the job. It stipulates the wages you must be paid, the benefits you must receive. It puts down on paper your right to dignity and respect at work.

It is important that you know your rights, the wages and benefits you are entitled to receive. Please take the time to read through this agreement. If you have any questions about it, talk to a shop steward in your workplace or phone your fulltime union representative. They are also the people to talk to if you feel the rights and benefits outlined in this document are not being provided to you.

Sincerely,


Jeff Traeger, President UFCW Local 832

Case No. 166/23/LRA

## FIRST COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN: BRANDON SUPPORT SERVICES doing business as CBI HEALTH

HEREINAFTER called the "Employer" in the First Part -and-

United Food and Commercial Workers Union, Local No. 832
HEREINAFTER called the "Union" in the Second Part

This agreement imposed upon the parties by the Manitoba Labour Board, this $12^{\text {th }}$ day of October, 2023.

Signed on behalf of the Manitoba Labour Board by:

K. Mcllroy, Vice-Chairperson

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## PREAMBLE:

WHEREAS: THE EMPLOYER AND THE UNION DESIRE TO COOPERATE IN ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING CONDITIONS WHICH SHALL PROMOTE A HARMONIOUS RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE EMPLOYER AND THE EMPLOYEES COVERED BY THIS AGREEMENT, TO PROVIDE METHODS FOR A FAIR AND AMICABLE ADJUSTMENT OF DISPUTES WHICH MAY ARISE BETWEEN THEM AND TO PROMOTE AN EFFICIENT OPERATION,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE UNION AND THE EMPLOYER MUTUALLY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

## ARTICLE 1 - NATURE OF THE BARGAINING UNIT

1.01 The Employer recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for all Direct Support Specialists and Team Leads of Brandon Support Services doing business as CBI Health, referred to as Specialized Community Services (SCS), in the City of Brandon and in the Town of Carberry, save and except for all managers, administrative staff, and all those excluded by the Labour Relations Act, pursuant to Certificate No. MLB-7462.
1.02 Persons excluded from the bargaining unit shall not work hours or shifts normally worked by members of the bargaining unit unless no bargaining unit member is available, willing or qualified to perform the normal functions required on the work hours or shifts. This clause will not prevent the direction, instruction or training of bargaining unit members, assistance of volunteers not displacing bargaining unit members or emergency aid when the safety of a supported individual or Employee is affected.
1.03 Outside agencies shall only be utilized to do bargaining unit work when bargaining unit Employees are not available or not qualified to perform the work required.

## ARTICLE 2 - DEFINITIONS

### 2.01 Full-time Employee

"Full-time employee" is an employee whom is regularly scheduled an average of 40 hours each week.

### 2.02 Part-time Employee

"Part-time employee" is an employee whom is regularly scheduled less than 40 hours each week.

## $2.03 \quad$ Casual Employee

"Casual Employee" means an Employee in the bargaining unit who is not normally scheduled to work but who may be called in to work to provide coverage as required. Once a casual employee has accepted a call for work they must report for that shift.

The terms of this Agreement shall not apply to casual employees, except as follows:
(a) Casual employees who are offered and do not accept a minimum of two (2) shifts within a two (2) month consecutive calendar period will be removed from the casual employee seniority list unless said employee did not work any hours as a result of an approved leave of absence;
(b) General holiday pay shall be in accordance with articles 20.02, 20.03 and 20.04;
(c) Casual employees will receive 4\% vacation pay on each bi-weekly paycheque, which will increase to six (6\%) percent after five (5) years of consecutive employment;
(d) Casual employees shall be paid not less than the start rate of the position to which they are assigned;
(e) Casual employees shall be entitled to overtime pay at the rate of one and one-half times ( 1.5 x ) the rate set out in (d) above for hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in a weekly pay period;
(f) Casual employees shall be subject to dues deduction as reasonably required by the Union in a non-discriminatory manner;
(g) In the event that no payment is made during the pay period, the Employer shall have no responsibility to deduct and submit dues for that period;
(h) Casual employees reporting for work as requested by the Employer and being sent home for lack of work after less than three (3) hours shall receive a minimum of three (3) hours' pay at the basic rate;
(i) Casual employees shall have access to the grievance and arbitration articles herein only for an alleged breach of this Article; and
(j) When a casual employee accepts a part-time or full-time position, their length of continuous service in the bargaining unit since the employee's latest date of hire shall be counted in establishing the employee's wage and vacation entitlement rate.

### 2.04 <br> Layoff

A layoff is the removal of an employee from employment due to a shortage of work, a shortage of funds or due to reorganization.

### 2.05 Gender Neutral Language

The provisions of this Agreement are intended to be gender neutral and gender inclusive.

### 2.06 Supported Individual

When the words "supported individual" are used in relation to the workplace, they shall mean those individuals whom are receiving support services from the Employer.

## $2.07 \quad$ Spouse

When the word "spouse" is used it shall mean a person of the same or opposite sex whom the Employee is married to or who has lived in a conjugal relationship with the Employee for at least twelve (12) months.

### 2.08 <br> Short Term Stabilization Unit (STSU)

The STSU is a unit for temporary placement of referred individuals that require enhanced care and supervision. Employees assigned to the STSU during a period of time the STSU is not active shall have the choice of a temporary layoff until such time as the STSU is active again or move to a different work site.

## ARTICLE 3 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

3.01 Subject to the terms of this Agreement, all rights and prerogatives of management are retained by the Employer and remain exclusively and without limitation within the rights of the Employer and its management. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Employer's rights shall include:
(a) the right: to maintain order, discipline, and efficiency; to make, alter and enforce, from time to time, reasonable rules and regulations to be observed by its employees; to discipline and discharge employees for just cause;
(b) the right to select, hire, control and direct the working force and Employees; to transfer, assign, promote, demote, classify, lay off, recall, and suspend Employees; to plan, direct and control its operations; to select and retain Employees for positions excluded from the bargaining unit;
(c) the right to determine: the location and extent of its operations and their commencement, expansion, curtailment or discontinuance; the direction of the working forces; the work to be performed; the standards of work and services; whether to make or buy goods and services; the schedules of work and of service; the methods, processes and means of performing work; job content and requirements; quality and quantity standards; the qualifications of employees; the use of improved methods, machinery and equipment; the number of employees needed by the Employer at any time and how many shall operate or work on any job, operation, or machine; working hours; the number of hours to be worked; starting and quitting times;
and generally the right to manage the business affairs of the Employer shall be the right of the Employer.
3.02 The exercise of the foregoing management's rights shall not alter the specific provisions of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 4 - DEEMED FAIRNESS PROVISION

4.01 In administrating this Agreement, the Employer and the Union shall act reasonably, fairly, in good faith, and in a manner consistent with the Agreement as a whole.

## ARTICLE 5 - JOINT LABOUR COMMITTEE

5.01 A Joint Labour Committee shall operate during the term of this agreement consisting of four (4) Shop Stewards and up to an equal number of employer representatives who shall meet at least once every six (6) months to discuss matters of mutual concern such as working conditions, quality of service, safety and health, workplace stress, violence and abuse prevention, and other matters to promote an ongoing harmonious relationship between the Employer and its employees. The purpose of the Committee shall not be to discuss matters that arise through the grievance procedure or negotiations.

The Joint Labour Committee may meet more frequently at the mutual agreement of both parties. The full-time Union Representative may attend said meetings. All time spent attending Joint Labour Committee meetings by employees shall be considered time worked but time spent at "pre-meetings" will not be considered time worked, nor will be "post-meetings".

## ARTICLE 6 - UNION RIGHTS AND ACTIVITIES

6.01 The Union shall notify the Employer annually, in writing, of the names of its Shop Stewards and committee persons and of any changes to these as they occur.

### 6.02 Recognition of Stewards

The Employer agrees to recognize up to a maximum of four (4) Shop Stewards as selected or appointed by the Union.
6.03 If the Union Representative is unavailable to do so, the Shop Stewards may investigate grievances during their working hours providing their regular work is completed during that shift and providing prior authorization has been obtained from the Employer. The Shop Steward shall not suffer a loss of pay for such time that has been authorized.
6.04 The Employer shall not discriminate against any member of the bargaining unit and/or Shop Steward for exercising their rights under the terms of the Collective Agreement.

### 6.05 Bargaining Unit Information

The Employer shall provide the Union with current job descriptions within sixty (60) days of the signing of this Agreement and all revisions subsequently.

### 6.06 Access to Personnel File

Upon the written request of the employee, personnel records of that employee may be examined by that employee in the presence of a management representative of the Employer at a prearranged and agreed upon time, within one (1) week of the original written request. The employee may have a Union Representative
present if desired. The employee may request and be provided with specific copies of documents that appear in their personnel records.

### 6.07 Union Representative's Visits

The representative designated by the Union will be entitled to access to employer work sites and/or areas for the purpose of communicating in private with employees covered by this collective agreement.

In such cases, the Union shall provide the Employer with prior notification for such meetings by mutual agreement with the Employer.
a) Meetings shall not interfere with the effective and efficient operations of the Employer and shall not interrupt or diminish the homelike atmosphere of the workplace.
b) The Employer shall allow each employee up to five (5) minutes of paid time off in order to speak with the designated Union Representative.
c) The Employer maintains the right to restrict access to work sites at any time, within valid reason provided in writing to the union. In such cases the Employer will provide an alternate location.

The addresses of the Employer's work locations are confidential and proprietary to the Employer. The Union agrees that it will not, at any time, disclose the location of the Employer's operations, or any other aspect of the Employer's business, other than for the sole purpose of collective bargaining, administration of the collective agreement, or representation of the members of the bargaining unit.

### 6.08 <br> Bulletin Boards

The Employer shall provide bulletin board space for the use of the Union at each Employer work location where there are offices. Where there are no offices, a binder shall be provided by the employer and accessible to employees. A binder shall be kept in the administrative office accessible to bargaining unit members. The Union may post notices relating to matters of interest to the employees on the bulletin boards or in the binders.
6.09 The Employer agrees to allot up to thirty (30) minutes of paid presentation time during the new hire orientation program for all bargaining unit employees in order to meet with the full-time Union Representative and/or Shop Steward for the purpose of familiarizing themselves with the general conditions and responsibilities with respect to the Collective Agreement, the UFCW Local 832, and other relevant union matters. This meeting will take place at a time mutually agreeable between the full-time Union Representative and/or Shop Steward and the Employer. The Union Representative and the Shop Steward will be advised in advance of the date, time and location of the employees receiving their hire package and orientation.

## ARTICLE 7 - UNION SHOP

7.01 Employees noted within the scope of this agreement as per Article 1 shall become Union members in good standing, and shall as a condition of employment maintain union membership. Those employees hired after the date of signing of this Agreement shall, as a condition of employment, become Union members within thirty (30) days of the date of employment and shall, as a condition of employment, remain Union members in good standing. The term hired or rehired shall not apply to employees on layoff.
7.02 The Employer agrees to forward Exhibit One, as attached, duly completed, to the Union within ten (10) calendar days from the date of hire or rehire of the employee. The Union shall bear the expense of printing and mailing the letter.
7.03 The Employer agrees to e-mail the Union, once a month, with a list in Excel format containing the names of all employees who have left the employ of the Employer during the previous month.

## ARTICLE 8 - DEDUCTION OF UNION DUES

8.01 The Employer shall deduct from the wages of each employee, such Union dues, initiation fees and assessments as are authorized by the Union. The Employer further agrees to deduct the Union dues automatically from the wages of new or rehired employees' first pay. Monies deducted during any month shall be forwarded by the Employer to the accounting department/bookkeeper of the Union via direct deposit within twenty (20) calendar days following the end of the Employer's four (4) or five (5) week accounting period and shall be accompanied by a four (4) or five (5) week or monthly electronic Excel statement of the names and Social Insurance Numbers of the employees for whom deductions were made and the amount of each deduction. The Employer shall also provide the Union, when remitting the statement, with the name change of employees. The Union shall give the Employer four (4) weeks prior notice of any change in the amount of dues to be deducted.
8.02 The Union agrees to indemnify and save the Employer harmless against any claim or liability arising out of the application of this article, save and except for an error committed by the Employer.
8.03 Each year the Employer will calculate the amount of Union dues, initiation fees and assessments deducted from the employees and indicate same on the T-4 slip of each employee no later than February 28th.

## ARTICLE 9 - STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

9.01 The Union and all its representatives agree that there shall be no strikes, picketing, sit down, slow down, or any suspension of or interference with work during the term of this Agreement.
9.02 The Employer agrees that it will not engage in any lockout during the term of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 10 - PROBATIONARY PERIOD

10.01 A new Employee must serve a probationary period of ninety (90) days. A new Employee shall upon completion of their probationary period have their seniority back dated to their latest date of hire.

The Employer reserves the right to extend a new Employee's probationary period for good and just reasons. Such an extension, and the reasons why, shall be made known to the affected Employee prior to the expiry of the original probationary period. The Employer shall advise the Union of any Employee's probationary period being extended.
10.02 During the probationary period, the employee may be dismissed without just cause and shall not have recourse to any grievance or arbitration procedure in this agreement with regard to the termination of their employment except that the employee may grieve a termination on the ground that such termination was discriminatory.

## ARTICLE 11 - SENIORITY / LAYOFF AND RECALL / FILLING VACANT SHIFTS

11.01 a) Seniority shall be defined as the length of continuous service in the bargaining unit since the employee's latest date of hire and providing the employee has completed their probationary period. In the event multiple employees share the same seniority date and a matter arises which would normally be resolved by seniority, birth dates of the employees involved shall be used as the deciding factor. The employee with their birthday earliest in the calendar year shall be awarded the decision to their preference.
b) Full-time employees shall have seniority over part-time and casual employees. Part-time employees shall only have seniority over casual employees.

### 11.02 Outside Bargaining Unit Seniority Retention

Employees from within the bargaining unit who accept a position with the Employer which places them outside of the bargaining unit shall continue to:
a) Accumulate seniority for a period of six (6) calendar months.
b) Shall be entitled to return to the bargaining unit and their former position at any time during the six (6) month period if they so choose, upon providing the Employer with at least two (2) calendar weeks' notice, in writing.
c) Employees who remain outside of the bargaining unit beyond the six (6) month time limit shall keep the seniority they had upon completion of the six (6) month period for one (1) year in the event they return to the bargaining unit during that time, but shall not in such cases
accumulate any seniority for the time period that they were outside of the bargaining unit beyond the six (6) month limitation.
d) Employees accepting a term or temporary position outside the bargaining unit will continue to accumulate seniority for the time period that they were outside of the bargaining unit beyond the six (6) month limitation, until the completion of the term or temporary position.
e) In any case as described in this article, when an employee returns to their former position within the bargaining unit, it is mutually understood that the effective date shall be mutually agreed upon by both the employee and employer

It is mutually understood by the parties that employees whom accept a position outside of the bargaining unit are not subject to the provisions of this agreement while they are performing non bargaining unit work and shall not be covered by the provisions within this agreement except for those stated in this article.
11.03 In January and July of every calendar year, the Employer shall post the full seniority list showing the name, classification seniority date of each employee, including those on leave. The Union shall be emailed a separate seniority list in Excel format that contains the following information: start date, seniority date, classification, department (if applicable), rate of pay, FT/PT status, employee number, mailing address, email (if the employee has provided it to the employer) telephone number and S.I.N. of all bargaining unit employees including those on leave (including the type of leave).

Seniority (not benefits) shall continue to accrue during any period of paid leave of absence or authorized unpaid leave.
11.05 An Employee shall lose their seniority and their employment shall cease for any one or more of the following reasons:
(a) the employee resigns or is discharged by the Employer and is not reinstated through the grievance and/or arbitration articles of this Agreement;
(b) if the employee is laid off for a period in excess of twelve (12) months (except for short-term stabilization unit employees);
(c) the employee fails to return to work on recall within fourteen (14) calendar days of a registered letter being sent to their latest recorded address on file with the Employer or within three (3) days of direct contact with a management representative of the Employer, whichever occurs first, unless the employee is not able to report for work due to an illness or injury substantiated by a medical certificate which is provided to the Employer prior to the Return to Work date;
(d) if the Employee is absent from work without an explanation acceptable to the Employer for a period of two (2) or more consecutive working days;
(e) if the Employee fails to return to work on the day specified in accordance with an approved leave of absence including vacation or suspension unless the Employee is not able to report for work due to an illness or injury substantiated by a medical certificate which is provided to the Employer prior to the Return to Work date or if the Employee uses an approved leave of absence for a purpose other than for which it was granted;
(f) the Employee has had long term disability or Workers Compensation benefits discontinued, and all appeals exhausted, and is unable to work.

### 11.06 Seniority Layoff - Recall

Where the qualifications, experience and ability of employees are relatively equal, and where the candidate has satisfactory compatibility with the supported individual, to be assessed by the Employer within fourteen (14) days of work in the position, seniority shall be the governing factor in matters of layoff and recall.

## $11.07 \quad$ Notice of Layoff

The Employer shall notify an Employee who is to be laid off at least fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the effective date of the layoff or provide payment for their scheduled days of work during the fourteen (14) day notice period, with a copy being sent to the Union.

### 11.08 Notice (Change of Employment Status Full-time to Part-time)

The Employer agrees to give fourteen (14) calendar days' notice prior to permanently changing an employee's status from full-time to part-time.

## $11.09 \quad$ Utilization of Part-time

The Employer shall not utilize part-time employees to displace full-time employees or to prevent the hiring of full-time positions.

### 11.10 Available Hours of Work

(a) Full-time and part-time employees will be scheduled for regular shifts.
(b) Employees will notify the Employer in writing of any restrictions to their availability, with as much notice as possible and in any event not less than one (1) week's notice (unless unreasonable to do so) prior to the next month's schedule being posted in accordance to article 15.01. The Employer will not schedule an Employee outside of their stated availability, unless mutually agreed.
11.11 Vacant shifts shall be offered to employees in a manner that minimizes overtime costs for the Employer. Priority shall be as follows:
(a) Employees within the home where the work is to be done, who will not attract overtime by virtue of working the shift will be offered the shift first.
(b) If the shift cannot be filled through (a), then employees from homes other than the home where the work is to be done, who will not attract overtime by virtue of working the shift, will be offered the shift if they are qualified to do so.
(c) If the shift cannot be filled through (a) or (b), then casual employees may be used to fill the shift, where the casual employee will not attract overtime by virtue of working the shift.
(d) If the shift cannot be filled through (a), (b) or (c), the shift will be offered to the employee who will attract the least amount of overtime by virtue of working the shift, regardless of the home in which the employee works, as long as the Employee is qualified to do so. If two or more employees will attract the same amount of overtime, the shift will be offered first to employees working within the home where
the shift is to be worked, and, if this does not resolve the matter, by seniority.
(e) Employees who have indicated that they are not available for work at the time of the shift to be filled, or who do not have a specific qualification required for the shift or who are not oriented to the home where the work is to be done, may not be contacted by the Employer.
(f) Shifts may be filled as a block when it is in the best interests of the individual being supported to do so.
(g) The Employer may skip to (f) as outlined above for temporary vacancies longer than two (2) weeks.
11.12 Where the vacant shift or overtime to be filled:
(a) is on a weekday (other than a holiday), and is to commence within the next 24 hours; or
(b) is on a weekend or holiday, and is to commence within the next 72 hours,

The Employer will award the shift or overtime to the first employee with whom it connects and who accepts the shift. For example, the Employer will send a mass email, voicemail or text to employees in the order required by 11.11, but where an employee does not respond to the email, voicemail or text, or is unable to commit right away and asks to get back to the Employer, or for any other reason cannot be confirmed right away for the work, the Employer may leave an email, voicemail or text or leave the information with the employee, and email, voicemail or text the next employee on the list. The Employee who accepts the shift first will be awarded the work.
11.13 Temporary increases in available shifts in any residence will be offered by seniority within each residence without incurring overtime starting with Part-Time and then Casual Employees. If overtime will be incurred, 11.11 and 11.12 will be followed.

The exception to this is if the temporary relocation of a supported individual to another existing residence decreases shifts available in one residence and increases them in the other, the affected Employees in the residence with the decreased shifts will be offered the newly available shifts at the other location before those shifts are offered to any Employees in that location.

In the case of temporary closure of a residence or temporary decrease in hours at a residence, affected Employees may, at their discretion, and where the Employer does not provide alternate work of a similar schedule, choose to take vacation or take the time off without pay.

### 11.14 Laid Off Employees Preference

No new employee may be hired until those qualified employees on layoff who have previously demonstrated their qualifications and ability to satisfactorily perform the necessary and required work of the Employer and who can meet the physical demands of the job have been given the opportunity of recall.

## $11.15 \quad$ Change Work Locations

While employee preferences as to work locations are relevant, they are outweighed by the best interests of supported individuals and other operational requirements. An employee may therefore be required to change work locations or assignment to a different supported individual, for bona fide reasons, such as in the event of a closure of a residence, a reduction in staff, conflict with a supported individual or conflict between staff members, or if it is otherwise reasonably determined by the Employer to be in the best interests of the supported individual.

Whenever a change in location is being contemplated for any of the abovenoted reasons, the Employee or Employees affected may request that a meeting take place with the Union representative for full disclosure and discussion of the issues. Following such meeting, if the Employer elects to proceed with a change in work location for an Employee or Employees, the Union Representative will be advised in writing.

## ARTICLE 12 - JOB POSTINGS

### 12.01 Posting of Vacant Positions

The Employer shall post notices of vacant positions within the bargaining unit on the bulletin boards and in employer provided Union binders in work locations for a period of seven (7) calendar days as well as send a copy of such notice to the Union via e-mail within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting. The employer shall also email a copy of the notice to all employees whom have provided the employer with their personal email address in addition to their employer provided email address.

The notice shall identify the:

- Number of vacancies,
- Typical duties required,
- Qualifications and abilities necessary,
- Classification,
- Wage rate,
- Regular scheduled days of work,
- Anticipated start and end times of shifts,
- Closing date for submitting applications to the Employer.
- Anticipated start date

The Employer may advertise externally to fill the vacancy during the posting period, but external applicants will only be considered where the position is not filled internally.

The position will be awarded within ten (10) working days after the posting has been removed and the name of the successful applicant will be posted. The successful applicant will start in their position within four (4) weeks from the date the position was awarded. The union representative will be advised of the name of the successful applicants once the positions are awarded.

### 12.02 Selection Process for Vacant Position

In filling job vacancies and new positions, where the qualifications, fitness, experience and ability of employees are relatively equal, seniority shall be the governing factor in awarding the position.

### 12.03 Return to Former Position

If within ten (10) shifts worked from the date the Employee commenced work in their new position, they prove to be unsatisfactory or if they request to return to their former position or they are not compatible with the Supported Individual, the Employee shall be returned to their former position, or an equivalent position should the position no longer exist, and their former rate of pay without loss of seniority. Any other Employee affected may also be returned to their former position and former rate of pay without loss of seniority and without any notice. If requested by either party, the Union and the Employer may mutually agree to extend the familiarization period by five (5) shifts.
12.04 Term positions of sixty (60) calendar days or more which are the result of an Employee being on an approved leave of absence, sick or disabled shall be posted in accordance with Article 12.01, Posting of Vacant Positions, above and identified as term in nature. When the term is over, and has been filled by an existing Employee, the

Employee shall return to their former position. Where the term must be extended (for example due to a sick leave being extended), there is no obligation on the Employer to post for a renewal of the term position. If subsequent term vacancies are not posted, they will be filled in accordance with Article 11.11.
12.05 In the event the Employer wishes to make changes to the qualifications required for any classification in the bargaining unit the Employer agrees to advise the Union. Should the Union have any concerns with respect to the reasonableness of the qualifications for any classification, the Union shall, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the information from the Employer, provide such concerns in writing to the Employer.

The parties shall meet to attempt to resolve the areas of concern. Should the parties fail to resolve the concerns, the Union reserves the right to refer the matter to a single arbitrator as outlined in this Agreement on the basis of the "reasonableness" of the required qualifications in dispute.

## ARTICLE 13-TRAINING

13.01 The Employer encourages and shall, subject to operational requirements and resources, assist in the professional development of employees as it relates to the operations or needs of the Employer and/or supported individual(s). Employees agree to participate with best efforts in workshops or training opportunities provided by the Employer.
13.02 Training

With the exception of First Aid training, where the Employer requires an employee to attend a conference, workshop or seminar, the employee shall suffer no loss of regular pay for their attendance, and if attending on their day off, they shall be paid for all time spent in the actual conference, seminar, or workshop Such time shall be paid at their regular rate. If obtained, the Employee shall provide a certificate of completion to the Employer.

In addition, if the conference, workshop or seminar is outside of the City of Brandon and in the Town of Carberry, the Employer agrees to pay for pre-authorized transportation and accommodation. The Employer agrees to pay for reasonable, preauthorized meal expenses with receipts.

If the government legislates or regulates mandatory changes to the training requirements for CBI employees, employees requiring certain certifications or academic standings will receive such training and the Employer agrees to pay for all funded expenses associated with such training and education. A reasonable amount of time will be allowed to each employee to attain such required academic standing or certifications.

### 13.03 <br> Minimum Training/Orientation

Each new employee will receive a minimum of twelve (12) hours of training and orientation. During the training and orientation period, a new employee will not be solely responsible for any supported individuals and shall be on duty primarily for training purposes.

Included in the twelve (12) hours of training and orientation for each new employee will be:
(a) an orientation at the primary residence the Employee has been hired for, including a review of the support plans and routines of each individual;
(b) a minimum of one (1) shift with each individual in the Supported Independent Living Service with whom the Employee works or may be required to work.

Employees who have expressed their desire, in writing, to occasionally work at other locations or in another service area will receive training and orientation at those locations or in the other service area as required by the Employer.

If an Employee has not taken a shift in over six (6) months at a location they have previously been trained for, they may receive training/familiarization orientation at those locations by mutual agreement between the Employee and the Employer. If there is no mutual agreement the Employee may refuse the shift without penalty.

During training/familiarization an employee will not be solely responsible for any supported individuals, and shall be on duty primarily for training purposes.

## ARTICLE 14 - HOURS OF WORK

14.01 The regular hours of work for an employee shall not exceed:

## Full-Time Employees (one of the options below)

(a) Six (6), twelve (12) hour shifts and one (1) eight (8) hour shift in a two (2) week period not exceeding fifty (50) hours per week or eighty (80) hours in a bi-weekly pay period or;
(b) Eight (8) hours per day not exceeding forty (40) hours per week.

In the event hours of work are changed due to operational needs Appendix "C" (Bumping Protocol) and/or Appendix "D" (Restructuring Protocol) shall apply.

## Part-Time Employees

(a) Twelve (12) hours per day, or less not exceeding forty (40) hours per week.
14.02 It is understood that the regular bi-weekly hours of work do not apply where an employee acts as a companion to a supported individual who goes on vacation outside of the Employer's premises. The Employee shall be compensated for twelve (12) hours of work, calculated at the Employee's regular rate of pay, plus eight (8) hours of work, calculated at 1.5 times the Employee's regular rate of pay for each full day that the Employee accompanies a supported individual during vacation. In addition, an alternate day off without pay shall be granted to the Employee, at a mutually agreeable time, for each full day of companionship to the supported individual's vacation, if so requested by the Employee. It is expressly agreed between the parties that the overtime provisions of this Agreement do not apply to time worked pursuant to this Article.

## $14.03 \quad$ Reporting Pay/Call-In Pay

No employee shall be scheduled or called in to work a shift for less than three (3) consecutive hours unless the employee voluntarily agrees to leave work earlier than the three (3).
14.04 Any employee called in to deal with an emergency will be paid for time worked but in no event less than three (3) hours pay at their appropriate hourly rate of pay and shall be able to leave when the emergency is over. If the time called in for such emergency results in the employee working more than their regular shift overtime shall apply as per Article 19.03, Overtime When Paid.

### 14.05 Adverse Weather Policy

If an employee decides not to travel to work due to Environment Canada advising of closed highways or travel not recommended they will not be paid. Should this occur, the Employer will make reasonable efforts to reschedule missed shifts without incurring overtime.
14.06 In any bi-weekly pay period full-time employees will be scheduled at least two (2) consecutive days off except where otherwise mutually agreed between the Employer and the employee concerned.
14.07 The Employer agrees not to schedule split shifts. Should an employee indicate that they wish to pick up extra hours they will be allowed, to work multiple shorter shifts adding up to twelve (12) hours in a twenty-four hour period except where otherwise mutually agreed between the Employer and the employee.
14.08 The Employer will give ten (10) hours off between scheduled shifts or longer unless mutually agreed between the Employer and the employee.
14.09 Should a shift be cancelled with less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice, the affected employee(s) shall be compensated for the entire shift if the Employer does not off the employee(s) alternate work prior to their scheduled shift start time.

## ARTICLE 15 - POSTING OF WORK SCHEDULES

15.01 The Employer agrees to have a monthly work schedule completed and made available to all full-time and part-time employees no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of the current month for the subsequent month. In the event the fifteenth ( $15^{\text {th }}$ ) day of the month falls on a Saturday, Sunday or general holiday, the monthly schedule shall be made available on the next business day. If this does not occur the current schedule will remain in place for the next month.

In the event a Supported Individual passes away and/or otherwise goes off service and work is no longer available, the process outlined in Appendix $C$ - Bumping Protocol shall be followed with regards to impacted employee(s).
15.02 No employee who is ill, on vacation or on an authorized leave of absence will be required to find a replacement suitable to the Employer for their scheduled shifts during such period.
15.03 An employee scheduled to work may, with the approval of the Employer, exchange shifts with another employee providing there is no additional cost to the Employer.
15.04 An Employee who is ill must contact the Employer, or other person designated by the Employer as soon as possible prior to the commencement of their scheduled shift.
15.05 If the hours of a permanent position need to be increased or decreased due to the new requirements of Supported Individuals in a residence for more than five (5) months or due to restructuring, the process outlined in Appendix "D" will be implemented.
15.06 Upon Employer approval, employees may trade a shift from time to time only from employees within their residents in order to accommodate a personal matter that cannot be scheduled outside of working hours. Trading of shifts shall not result in overtime.

## ARTICLE 16-TIME SHEETS

16.01 The Employer shall provide a means by which Employees are to record their required and authorized hours worked for payroll purposes.
16.02 Recorded hours worked shall be retained by the Employer for a minimum of three (3) years in the event verification is required as to hours worked or paid and shall be made available to the Union upon request in conjunction with a grievance.

## ARTICLE 17 - MEAL AND REST PERIODS

17.01 Meal and rest periods are paid time if an employee works in a residence as meals are normally taken with supported individuals.
17.02 All meals provided in the residences by the Employer will be at no cost to the Employees. It is understood by the parties that the meals being prepared are based on the dietary needs and preferences of the supported individuals. Employees' medical allergies, known to the Employer, will be accommodated whenever possible. Employees in a house where a supported individual's food is pre-made or provided shall have access to other meal options.
17.03 Subject to advance approval of the Employer, employees who accompany supported individuals to eat outside the residence during mealtime hours shall be compensated and/or reimbursed the cost of meals that they eat with the supported individuals.

All admission fees for events where the employee accompanies the supported individuals shall be paid or reimbursed subject to the advance approval from the Employer. Reimbursement of amounts under this Article is subject to the Employee first providing the Employer with original receipts, vouchers or invoices in respect of the costs being claimed.

## ARTICLE 18 - PAYMENT FOR MEETING ATTENDANCE

18.01 Where the Employer requires an employee to be present at a meeting scheduled by the Employer, time spent at such meeting shall be considered time worked. In advance of the meeting, the Employer shall communicate in writing how long the meeting is expected to last and shall pay employees for the length of the meeting, or for the amount of time they were told it would last, whichever is greater. In the absence of this communication in advance, employees shall be compensated in accordance with Article 14.03 Reporting Pay/Call-In Pay, and compensated at the applicable rate of pay.

## ARTICLE 19-OVERTIME

19.01 It is recognized by the parties that overtime shall be required as a condition of employment and must be authorized, in advance, by the Employer. If the employee is unable to reach the Employer or designate for authorization in advance, and there is a genuine emergency, overtime may be worked, and will be authorized retroactively.
19.02 Overtime will be compensated by paying the employee one and one-half (11/2) times the employee's regular hourly rate. Overtime pay will be identified separately on each pay stub.

## $19.03 \quad$ Overtime When Paid

Overtime will be compensated for all authorized hours worked in excess of the hours of work specified for full-time and part-time employees in Article 14.01.
19.04 Overtime shall be offered in accordance with the provisions set out in Articles 11.11, 11.12, and 11.13. In the event of an emergency, it is understood that the employee on duty may be required to work the overtime.

## ARTICLE 20 - GENERAL HOLIDAYS

20.01 The following general holidays shall be observed by the Employer:

| New Year's Day | Labour Day |
| :--- | :--- |
| Louis Riel Day | National Day for Truth and Reconciliation |
| Good Friday | Thanksgiving Day |
| Victoria Day | Remembrance Day |
| Canada Day | Christmas Day |
| Terry Fox Day | Boxing Day |

and any other day proclaimed as a universal paid holiday by statute of the Manitoba Provincial Government.

### 20.02 General Holiday Pay Calculation

An employee is entitled to general holiday pay for a general holiday on which they do not work provided the employee:
(a) did not fail to report for work after having been scheduled to work on the day of the general holiday; or
(b) did not absent themselves from work without the Employer's consent on the regular working day immediately preceding or following the general holiday unless the absence is by reason of verified illness, or injury, where such injury does not enable them to perform the required functions of their job.
20.03 Subject to the eligibility requirements of 20.02, General Holiday Pay Calculation above,

- part-time and casual employees shall receive general holiday pay based on five (5\%) percent of the employee's total wages, excluding overtime in the four (4) weeks immediately prior to the general holiday;
- full-time employees will be paid their regular days' pay for each general holiday. Example: If their regular daily shift is 8 hours they will be paid eight (8) hours; if their regular shift is twelve (12) hours, they will be paid 12 hours.


## $20.04 \quad$ Pay for Time Worked on General Holiday

An employee who works on a general holiday shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half ( $11 / 2$ ) times their regular rate of pay for all time worked in addition to the general holiday pay.

## ARTICLE 21 - WAGES

21.01 The Employer agrees to pay wages to Employees on a bi-weekly basis in accordance with the minimum rates set out in Appendix "B" attached hereto and forming part of this Agreement but no greater than the rates outlined in Appendix "B". The cut off day for the purpose of calculating payroll will be $11: 59$ pm every other Sunday.

Errors in pay must be reported to the Employer immediately. Where there is money owing to the Employee as a result of an Employer error, the Employee shall be paid within three (3) business days following the day the error was reported to the Employer, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by the Employee and the Employer.

Where there is money owing to the Employer, it shall be deducted from wages earned in the next pay period, or through a mutually agreed upon repayment schedule between the Employee and the Employer.

### 21.02 New Classifications

If a new classification is created within the bargaining unit, the Employer agrees to meet with the Union and negotiate a rate of pay for this new classification. If the parties cannot reach agreement, at the request of either party, the matter shall be submitted to the arbitration procedure in Article 26 of this Agreement.

## $21.03 \quad$ Previous Experience

Persons who have worked for the Employer within a period of two (2) years prior to being rehired, shall have their past service recognized for the purpose of setting their starting rate of pay but such time worked shall not contribute towards bargaining unit seniority or the completion of their probationary period.

Persons who, in the opinion of the Employer, have previous experience within this sector through another employer may, at the Employer's sole discretion, be classified according to previous comparable experience for the purpose of establishing wage rates. It is mutually understood such working experience shall not contribute towards bargaining unit seniority or the completion of the probationary period

## $21.04 \quad$ Additional Duties

In a home where there is no permanent Team Lead and duties are specifically assigned, Direct Support Specialists who perform those duties as assigned shall receive the Team Lead rate of pay for all hours worked.

## ARTICLE 22 - VACATIONS

### 22.01 Vacation Entitlement

Full-time employees shall be entitled to annual vacations with pay as follows:
(a) Two (2) weeks within the first year, and after passing the probationary period, with pay for the (2) two weeks in an amount equal to four (4\%) percent of the employee's gross annual wages inclusive of vacation pay but excluding overtime.
(b) Three (3) weeks after completing five (5) full years of continuous service with pay for the three (3) weeks in an amount equal to six (6\%) percent of the Employee's gross annual wages inclusive of vacation pay but excluding overtime.
(c) Four (4) weeks after completing ten (10) full years of continuous service with pay for the four (4) weeks in an amount equal to eight (8\%) percent of the employee's gross annual wages inclusive of vacation pay but excluding overtime.
(d) Five (5) weeks after completing sixteen (16) full years of continuous service with pay for the five (5) weeks in an amount equal to ten (10\%) percent of the employee's gross annual wages inclusive of vacation pay but excluding overtime.

Note: From the date of ratification to January 7, 2024 full-time employees shall continue to be paid vacation on each pay check. Beginning January 8, 2024 full-time employees shall receive their vacation time as outlined above. Paid vacation shall start January 8, 2024.
22.02 Part-time employees shall receive vacation time off in accordance with the full-time employees' schedule of vacation entitlement and shall receive as vacation pay the applicable percentage of gross pay as provided in 22.01 Vacation Entitlement above.
22.03 The granting of vacations is subject to operational requirements and availability. All vacation leave must be applied for with a minimum of at least four (4) weeks' notice to the Employer. The Employer must respond to the request within two (2) weeks of the time it was made. Requests made with less than four (4) weeks' notice may be granted at the discretion of the employer.
22.04 Vacation requests for the peak vacation months of June, July and August must be submitted by March 15th of each calendar year. The Employer shall respond to all requests made for this period no later than April $1^{\text {st }}$ informing employees if their requests were approved or denied.

Vacation requests for the peak vacation times between December 20th to January 5th, must be submitted by September 30th of each calendar year. The Employer shall respond to all requests made for this period no later than October $1^{\text {st }}$ informing employees if their requests were approved or denied.

These requests will be considered based on seniority and operational requirements, and will not be unreasonably denied. Vacation requests for these peak seasons made after March 15th or September 30th as the case may be, will be considered on a first come, first served basis, in light of operational requirements.
22.05 Approved vacation schedules shall not be changed unless mutually agreed upon by the employee and the Employer except where an employee with an approved vacation voluntarily transfers to another home or service area after their vacation request has been approved and a change to the approved vacation date is required due to operational requirements in the new home or service area.
22.06 Upon termination, an employee will receive their accrued vacation pay to date at the appropriate percentage.

### 22.07 Vacation/General Holiday

When a general holiday occurs during an employee's vacation an extra day's vacation shall be granted if the general holiday is one which the employee would have received had they been working.
22.08 Employees are encouraged to take full weeks of vacation entitlement but if employees encounter special circumstances which require them to take single vacation days, the Employer will endeavor to accommodate provided operational needs are met.
22.09 An employee may carry over up to one (1) week of paid vacation from one vacation year to the next, which must be used in the following vacation year, provided they have notified the employer in writing at least two (2) months prior to the beginning of the next vacation year. An employee may not carry-over vacation two years in a row.

## ARTICLE 23 - SAFETY AND HEALTH

### 23.01 Safety and Health Committee

The Employer agrees to a Safety \& Health Committee which shall meet quarterly during regular working hours. The Safety \& Health Committee will be comprised of three (3) individuals appointed by the Union and up to three (3) representatives appointed by the Employer. The full-time Union Representative and/or full-time Safety and Health Representative and the Employer's Consultants may also attend these meetings from time to time. Minutes of all meetings that occur shall be kept and a copy shall be given to each member of the committee and, as well, a copy shall be placed in the Safety and Health binder in each location for all employees to see. The chairperson of this committee shall rotate from meeting to meeting to ensure that there is an equal balance of representation in this position between management and the employees. All time spent on the Safety \& Health Committee by employees will be considered paid time, except for pre-meetings which will be without pay.
23.02 All employees on the Safety and Health Committee shall receive the necessary time off with pay when conducting business in accordance with Article 23.01, Safety and Health Committee, above.
23.03 The Employer shall allow time off with pay for the purpose of allowing members of the bargaining unit who are on the joint Labour/Management Safety and Health Committee to attend Union-approved safety and health seminars, courses or conferences for job improvement. The time and scheduling of this time off is to be mutually agreed upon between the Employer and the Union. The Employer shall not be required to pay lost wages in excess of two (2) regular work days per committee member from the bargaining unit, per calendar year. If obtained, the Employee shall provide a certificate of completion to the Employer.

### 23.04 <br> No Violence or Abuse

The Employer and the Union agree that no form of violence or abuse shall be condoned in the workplace. Both parties shall work together in recognizing and resolving such concerns as they arise. Any Employee who believes that they are being abused shall report this to their immediate supervisor or the Employer and a Union Health and Safety Committee member.
23.05 Where an employee has their clothing or eyeglasses damaged during the performance of their duties as a result of the action of a supported individual, the employee shall be reimbursed at full replacement cost upon providing to their Supervisor:
(a) An incident report outlining details as to how the incident occurred
(b) For eyeglasses, an estimate for repair, or if required, replacement

## ARTICLE 24 - LEAVES OF ABSENCE

### 24.01 Bereavement Leave

a) An employee shall be granted bereavement leave of up to three (3) working days when necessary, without loss of regular wages, in the event of the death of the employee's father, mother, brother, sister, spouse, (including common law spouse or partner), child, stepparent, stepchild, step-sibling son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, guardian or former guardian, grandparent, grandchild, fiancé(e). If the funeral is more than two hundred (200) kilometres from the town in which the employee works, said employee is entitled to one (1) day without pay for travel time.
b) An employee shall be granted bereavement leave of up to two (2) working days when necessary, without loss of wages, in the event of a death of the employee's niece, nephew, aunt or uncle. If the funeral is more than two hundred (200) kilometres from the town in which the employee works, said employee is entitled to one (1) day without pay for travel time.
c) An employee may be granted up to one (1) day's leave of absence without pay to attend a funeral as a pallbearer, but it is understood and agreed that any such day would not be in addition to the days noted in (a) and (b) above.
d) The Employer may grant an employee up to one (1) day, without pay, to be a participant in a funeral service, i.e. eulogy, but it is understood
and agreed that any such day would not be in addition to the days noted in (a) and (b) above.
e) Additional travel time without pay may be granted at the discretion of the Employer.
f) The Employer may grant additional bereavement leave, without pay, if a bereaved employee requests same in writing.
g) Bereavement leave may be taken in non-consecutive days within a six (6) month period or at a later date upon mutual agreement between the Employer and Employee.
h) In addition to 24.01 (a) employees required to travel overseas in the event of a death to anyone outlined in 24.01 (a) shall be granted an additional three (3) weeks leave without pay. The employer may ask for verification to confirm the death as well as flight itineraries.

## $24.02 \quad$ General Leave Without Pay

The Employer may grant an Employee a leave of absence without pay and without loss of seniority when the employee requests in writing such leave for good and sufficient reason. All such requests shall be made by the Employee with as much notice as possible. Notice of fewer than thirty (30) days may result in the request for leave being denied. However, where proper notice has been given, subject to operational requirements, such request shall not be unreasonably denied. Upon written request from the Employee, shop steward or Union Representative, the Employer agrees to provide in writing the reasons for denying any such request. An employee on a general leave of absence will be entitled to the benefits of the group insurance plans (as determined by the Carrier) provided the employee maintains the required premium contributions of the plan.

### 24.03 <br> Maternity Leave/Parental Leave

Maternity and parental leave of absence without pay and without loss of seniority shall be granted and administered in accordance with the provisions of The Employment Standards Code C.C.S.M.c.E110.
24.04 The Employer and the Union agree that an employee on maternity/parental leave of absence will be entitled to the benefits of the group insurance plans (as determined by the Carrier) provided the employee maintains their portion of the required premium contributions of the plan and has qualified for the plan preceding the leave.

## $24.05 \quad$ Child Bearing Support Leave

A full-time employee whose spouse gives birth to a child will be entitled to three (3) days of child bearing support leave of absence without pay following the birth of the child. The employee shall inform their Supervisor as to when the absence will occur.

## $24.06 \quad$ Family Responsibility Leave

For absences due to illness or injury of a spouse, child or parent, the Employer shall grant the use of Sick Leave.

Upon the exhaustion of accumulated sick leave, vacation days can be utilized with the approval of the Employer.

### 24.07 Union Functions - Leave of Absence

The Employer may grant, subject to operational requirements, leave of absence without pay to an employee for the purpose of attending Union functions such as conventions, conferences, schools or seminars. Such leaves of absence may be restricted to two (2) employee at any one time. The Union agrees to notify the Employer
in writing at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to said functions. Employees on such leave will be paid by the Employer as if they had worked. The Employer will then bill the Union for all lost wages and the Union will remit payment promptly.

### 24.08 Leave of Absence "Full-time Union Duties"

Leave of absence without pay shall be granted for a period of up to one (1) year to an employee with a minimum of one (1) year of service who is engaged full-time in Union activities. Employees on such leave will be paid by the Employer as if they had worked. The Employer will then bill the Union for all lost wages and the Union will remit payment promptly.

### 24.09 Negotiations Leave

The Employer agrees to allow a maximum of three (3) employees either elected or appointed by the Union time off to attend to negotiations for the renewal of this Collective Agreement, providing the employees are not from the same work location, and where operational requirements permit. Employees on such leave will be paid by the Employer as if they had worked. The Employer will then bill the Union for all lost wages and the Union will remit payment promptly.

### 24.10 Compassionate Care Leave

An employee shall receive compassionate care leave without pay of up to twenty- eight (28) weeks subject to the following conditions:
(a) An employee must have completed ninety (90) days employment as of the intended date of leave.
(b) An employee must apply in writing one (1) pay period prior to taking the leave or a shorter period if circumstances warrant.
(c) An employee may take no more than two (2) periods of leave totalling no more than twenty-eight (28) weeks, which must end no later than fifty-two (52) weeks after the day the first period of leave began. No period of leave may be less than one (1) week's duration.
(d) This leave is intended to enable an employee to provide care or support to a seriously ill family member.
(e) For an employee to be eligible for leave, a physician must issue a certificate stating that:
(i) a family member of the employee has a serious medical condition with a significant risk of death within twenty-six (26) weeks from:
(A) the day the certificate is issued, or
(B) if the leave was begun before the certificate was issued, the day the leave began; and
(ii) the family member requires the care or support of one or more family members.
(f) "Family member" means spouse, common-law partner, child, child of spouse or common-law partner, parent, spouse or common-law partner of parent, or any other family member included by regulation under The Employment Standards Code of Manitoba.
(g) An employee may end their compassionate leave earlier than twentyeight (28) weeks by giving the Employer forty-eight (48) hours' notice.
(h) At the end of an employee's leave under this Article, the Employer shall reinstate the employee to the position the employee occupied
when the leave began, except where the Employer lays off the employee, terminates the Employee's employment or fails to reinstate for reasons unrelated to the leave.
(i) Seniority shall accrue during any period of leave under this Article.
(j) Employees may use their remaining family responsibility days during the waiting period for Employment Insurance.
(k) Notwithstanding all of the above, any existing provision in the Collective Agreement which provides superior coverage to an employee with regard to leave for illness in the family shall prevail.
24.11 The requesting and granting of leaves of absence shall be in writing. If requested, the reasons for a refusal for a leave of absence will be provided by the Employer.

### 24.12 Interpersonal Violence Leave

(a) An Employee who has been employed by the Employer for at least ninety (90) days, and who is the victim of Interpersonal violence as defined in The Employment Standards Code or who has a dependent who is a victim of interpersonal violence as referred to in The Employment Standards Code is entitled to both the following periods of interpersonal violence leave in each fifty-two (52) week period:
(i) leave of up to ten (10) days, which the employee may choose to take intermittently or in one (1) continuous period;
(ii) leave of up to seventeen (17) weeks to be taken in one (1) continuous period.
"Dependant" means a child of the employee, a child of the employee's spouse or common-law partner, any person under 18 years of age who is under the care and control of the employee, any person who is 18 years of age or older, and who, because of illness, disability or any other reason, is under the day-to-day care and control of the employee, and any other person prescribed by The Employment Standards Regulations.
(b) Interpersonal violence leave may be taken for one (1) or more of the following purposes as they relate to the employee or the employee's dependent:
(i) to seek medical attention in respect of a physical or psychological injury or disability caused by the interpersonal violence;
(ii) to obtain services from a victim services organization;
(iii) to obtain psychological or other professional counselling;
(iv) to relocate temporarily or permanently;
(v) to seek legal or law enforcement assistance, including preparing for or participating in any civil or criminal legal proceeding related to or resulting from the domestic violence;
(vi) any other purpose prescribed in The Employment Standards Code or Regulations.
(c) The first five (5) days of leave taken in a calendar year shall be paid. To the extent that the employee has income protection benefits
accumulated, such days shall be deducted from the employee's income protection accumulation. The remainder of any such leave (leave in excess of five [5] days in a calendar year) shall be unpaid.
(d) Leave under this section shall be taken in full days only.
(e) An employee who wishes to take a leave under this section must give the Employer as much notice as is reasonable and practicable in the circumstances.
(f) Unless the employee and Employer agree otherwise, an employee may end a leave under this section earlier than the expiry of seventeen (17) weeks by giving the Employer written notice at least two (2) weeks before the day the employee wishes to end the leave.
(g) An employee who takes a leave under this section must provide the Employer with reasonable verification of the necessity of the leave.

Eligible employees may take interpersonal violence leave in accordance with The Employment Standards Code.

### 24.13 Critical Illness of a Child Leave

An employee shall receive Critical Illness of a Child Leave without pay from work for up to thirty-seven (37) weeks to allow them as a parent to provide care and support for a critically ill child who is under eighteen (18) years of age, subject to the following:
(a) Employees must have completed at least thirty (30) days' employment, and are:
(i) a parent of a child;
(ii) the spouse, common-law partner or same sex partner of a parent of a child;
(iii) a person with whom the child was placed for the purposes of adoption;
(iv) the guardian or foster parent of a child; or,
(v) a person who has the care, custody or control of a child, and is considered to be like a close relative, whether or not they are related.

A critically ill child is defined as a child under eighteen (18) years old with a life-threatening illness or injury for which continued parental care or support is required. This is the same as the definition used in the regulations made under the Federal Government's Employment Insurance Act
(b) Employees shall provide the Employer with a certificate from a Medical Practitioner indicating that the child is critically ill and requires the care or support of the employee and setting out the period during which the child needs that care or support. This certificate shall be provided to the Employer as soon as possible.
(c) Where possible, the employee shall provide two (2) weeks' notice before the leave.
(d) Employees may end the leave earlier than thirty-seven (37) weeks by giving the Employer two (2) weeks' notice in writing before the day they
intend to return to work. Employers and employees may agree to a different schedule for returning to work.
(e) At the end of an employee's leave under this Article, the Employer shall reinstate the employee to the position the employee occupied when the leave began or to a comparable position, with not less than the wages and any other benefits earned by the employee immediately before the leave began, unless the Employer lays off the employee or terminates their employment or fails to reinstate for reasons unrelated to the leave.

### 24.14 Disappearance or Death of a Child Leave

An employee shall receive Disappearance or Death of a Child Leave without pay for up to fifty-two (52) weeks if they are a parent of a child, under the age of eighteen (18), who has disappeared as a result of a crime. If the child has died as a result of a crime, the employee is entitled to take a leave of up to one hundred and four (104) weeks. Eligibility for both of these leaves is subject to the following:
(a) Employees must have completed at least thirty (30) days' employment, and are:
(i) a parent of a child;
(ii) the spouse, common-law partner or same sex partner of a parent of a child;
(iii) a person with whom the child was placed for the purposes of adoption;
(iv) the guardian or foster parent of a child; or,
(v) a person who has the care, custody or control of a child, and is considered to be like a close relative, whether or not they are related.
(b) Reasonable verification of the need for the leave must be provided to the Employer as soon as possible.
(c) Where possible, the employee shall provide two (2) weeks' notice before the leave.
(d) Employees may end the leave earlier by giving the Employer two (2) weeks' notice in writing before the day they intend to return to work. Employers and employees may agree to a different schedule for returning to work.
(e) Employees charged with the relevant crime are not eligible for leave under this Article.
(f) At the end of an employee's leave under this Article, the Employer shall reinstate the employee to the position the employee occupied when the leave began or to a comparable position, with not less than the wages and any other benefits earned by the employee immediately before the leave began, unless the Employer lays off the employee or terminates their employment or fails to reinstate for reasons unrelated to the leave.

## $24.15 \quad$ Organ Donation Leave

(a) Employees who have been employed for at least thirty (30) days shall receive Organ Donation Leave without pay for up to thirteen (13) weeks to donate an organ or tissue to another individual.
(b) Employees must provide a certificate from a Doctor stating the start and end dates for the period of time necessary to donate the organ and recover from the procedure.
(c) Where possible, the employee shall provide two (2) weeks' notice before the leave.
(d) Employees are entitled to extend their leave by up to an additional thirteen (13) weeks, without pay, if a Doctor provides another certificate stating the time period needed to finish recovering. Such notice is to be provided at least two weeks before extending the leave, if reasonable and practicable in the circumstances.
(e) Employees may end the leave earlier by giving the Employer two (2) weeks' notice in writing before the day they intend to return to work. Employers and employees may agree to a different schedule for returning to work.
(f) At the end of an employee's leave under this Article, the Employer shall reinstate the employee to the position the employee occupied when the leave began or to a comparable position, with not less than the wages and any other benefits earned by the employee immediately before the leave began, unless the Employer lays off the employee or terminates their employment or fails to reinstate for reasons unrelated to the leave.
24.16 In addition to the leaves set forth in this Collective Agreement, employees may be eligible for leaves provided in The Employment Standards Code. Eligibility for such leave will be determined in accordance with The Employment Standards Code requirements and Regulations thereunder.

## ARTICLE 25 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

25.01 A grievance shall be defined as an allegation by an employee, the Union or the Employer that there has been a violation or misinterpretation of this Agreement.

Prior to the filing of the written grievance, the employee, accompanied by a Shop Steward if they so choose, shall discuss the concern with their immediate supervisor. If the dispute is with the supervisor, the concern will be raised with the next highest level of management in an attempt to resolve the dispute.

### 25.02 Step One:

An employee will first submit their grievance to a Shop Steward or Union Representative, who shall then submit the grievance in writing within fifteen (15) calendar days of the event giving rise to the grievance to the Employer or designate. The written grievance shall set forth the nature of the grievance, the article or articles of the Collective Agreement allegedly violated, and the remedy or correction required. The Employer or designate shall respond within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the written grievance.

### 25.03 Step Two:

If the matter is not resolved in Step One, the grievance must be forwarded to the Senior Director of Operations or designate within ten (10) calendar days. The Senior Director of Operations or designate shall meet with the employee and Shop Steward or Union Representative to discuss the grievance within ten (10) calendar days. Following such a meeting, the Employer shall respond within ten (10) calendar days. Where the employee is not satisfied with the decision, the Union may proceed to refer the matter to arbitration.
25.04 In the event of a dispute involving the question of general application or interpretation of this Agreement, which affects a group of employees, the Employer or the Union may initiate a grievance within ten (10) calendar days of becoming aware of the matter giving rise to the grievance by writing to the other party outlining its alleged violation of the Collective Agreement. Where no resolution is reached within twenty (20) calendar days, either party may refer the matter to arbitration.
25.05 The time limits set forth in this Article may be extended by the written agreement of both parties.
25.06 Designated general holidays shall not be counted in determining the time within which any action is to be taken or completed under the grievance procedure.

## ARTICLE 26 - ARBITRATION PROCEDURE

26.01 If the Union and the Employer cannot reach a settlement in accordance with the Grievance Procedure as outlined in this agreement, upon request of either party, the grievance shall be submitted to an arbitrator. The arbitrators herein set forth shall be appointed on a rotating basis:

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If any individual of the above noted panel, who has been requested in their turn to act as an arbitrator, shall be unable or unwilling to act they shall not again be requested to act as the arbitrator until their name comes up again on the regular rotation of the panel.

The arbitrator shall not be deemed to be willing to act unless they are in the position to convene the hearing within twenty-eight (28) days from the date of their selection, unless the parties agree otherwise. In the event none of the above arbitrators is willing to convene a hearing within twenty-eight (28) days, the matter will be referred to the Manitoba Labour Board who shall appoint an arbitrator.

The decision of the arbitrator shall be given within a period of twenty-one (21) days after the closing of the arbitration hearing.
26.02 The person selected as arbitrator shall in no way be involved directly in the controversy under consideration, or be a person who has a personal or financial interest in either party to the dispute.
26.03 The arbitrator shall receive and consider such material evidence and contentions as the parties may offer and shall make such independent investigation as
they deem essential to a full understanding and determination of the issues involved. In reaching their decision, the arbitrator shall be governed by the provisions of this Agreement.
26.04 The arbitrator shall not be vested with the power to change, modify or alter any of the terms of this Agreement. All grievances submitted shall present an arbitrable issue under this Agreement, and shall not depend on or involve an issue or contention by either party which is contrary to any provisions of this Agreement, or which involves the determining of a subject matter not covered by or arising during the term of this Agreement.
26.05 In the event of termination, discharge or suspension of an employee, the arbitrator shall have the right to sustain the Employer's action or to reinstate the employee with full, part or no back pay, with or without loss of seniority, or to settle the matter in any way they deem equitable.
26.06 The findings and decisions of the arbitrator shall be binding and enforceable on all parties involved.
26.07 It is the intention of the parties that this article shall provide a peaceful method of adjusting all grievances, so that there shall be no suspension or interruption of normal operations as a result of any grievances. The parties shall act in good faith in proceeding to adjust grievances in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
26.08 The expenses and fees of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the parties to the arbitration proceedings. Each party shall pay their own witness expenses.
26.09 In the interest of settling a grievance prior to an arbitration hearing either party may request the assistance of a grievance mediator from the Province of Manitoba Conciliation Services. The expenses and fees of the mediator shall be borne equally by the parties to the arbitration proceedings.

## ARTICLE 27 - STATUTE REVISIONS

27.01 All provisions of this Collective Agreement are subject to the applicable laws now and/or hereafter in effect. If any law now existing or hereafter enacted or proclaimed or regulation shall invalidate or disallow any portion of this Collective Agreement, the entire Collective Agreement shall not be invalidated and the existing rights, privileges and other obligations of the parties shall remain in existence. The parties shall attempt to agree on a replacement provision. If there is no agreement between the parties on this issue, the matter shall be resolved by arbitration. In determining the wording of the replacement term, the arbitrator shall ensure that the replacement provision resembles as closely as possible the provision it is replacing.

## ARTICLE 28 - DISCIPLINE

28.01 The Employer shall not discipline nor dismiss any employee who has completed their probationary period except for just cause.

## $28.02 \quad$ Family Services Investigation

In the event an Employee is alleged to have abused or neglected a supported individual of CBI, sincere effort will be made to expedite the investigation process. To the extent the Employer is able to do so, it will provide the Union with written materials from Manitoba Families Investigation relating to the investigation. The Union reserves its right to grieve.
28.03 Prior to the imposition of any form of discipline or discharge, an Employee shall be notified, at a meeting with the Employer, a Shop Steward and the Union Representative, of the reasons for considering such action. The Shop Steward and Union Representative's attendance is dependent upon their availability within seventy-two (72) hours of notification. If either or both are unavailable within seventy-two (72) hours, the meeting will take place with an alternate steward or a bargaining unit member of the Employee's choice or at a later date mutually agreed upon by the Employer and Union Representative.
28.04 The affected employee, the Shop Steward referred to in article 28.03, and the Union shall be given a copy of any discipline/discharge which is to be entered on the employee's personnel file. The notice of discipline or discharge shall be given to the affected employee and Shop Steward immediately and a copy of the discipline or discharge notice shall be provided to the Union office within twenty-four (24) hours of the event.

### 28.05 Discipline

Discipline shall be removed from an Employee's personnel file after two (2) years, provided that the Employee has been discipline free for that two (2) year period. This period of two (2) years shall not include periods of layoffs or leaves of absence without pay.

Discipline resulting from gross misconducts such as fraud, theft, workplace violence or inappropriate actions/behaviour from staff affecting a supported individual as outlined herein will remain on the Employee's personnel file for the duration of their employment.
28.06 A copy of an employee's reply to any document contained in their personnel file shall be placed in the employee's personnel file.
28.07 The Employer shall keep only one personnel file per employee, which may be a combination of electronic documents and physical hard copy documents.

## ARTICLE 29 - APPENDICES

29.01 The Parties agree that any Appendices or Letters of Understanding/Agreement shall form an integral part of this Collective Bargaining Agreement.

## ARTICLE 30 - NOTICE OF TERMINATION / SEVERANCE PAY / JOB LOSS

 ASSISTANCE30.01 Notice of termination, without just cause shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of The Employment Standards Code C.C.S.M.c.E110 or one (1) week of pay per year of service, up to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.

## ARTICLE 31 - PAST PRACTICES AND POLICIES

31.01 The Employer shall not take away, restrict and/or reduce any past practice and policy that has been a benefit to employees and that is not specifically mentioned in the Collective Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Union.

## ARTICLE 32 - EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL

32.01 This Collective Agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year, commencing from the date on which the Board imposed the terms and conditions of this Collective Agreement upon the parties.

### 32.02 Changes in Collective Agreement

Any changes deemed necessary in this Collective Agreement may be made by mutual agreement of both parties during the existence of this Collective Agreement.

## $32.03 \quad$ Notice of Renewal

Either party desiring to propose changes or amendments to this Collective Agreement shall, between the period of thirty (30) and ninety (90) days prior to termination date, submit a copy of the proposed changes to the other party.
32.04 Within ten (10) working days after receipt of such notice or such time as may be mutually agreed upon, the other party is required to enter into negotiations for renewal or revision of the Collective Agreement.

## APPENDIX "A"

## HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS

## A-1 Preamble

A-1.01 A general description of the Health and Welfare benefits, terms and conditions, is as follows in A-3, Health and Welfare Plan.

A-1.02 Unless otherwise specifically stated, all of the benefits shall apply to all eligible employees in the bargaining unit who have completed probation. Eligibility shall be determined by reference to the benefits plan(s).

A-1.03 Cost of each Health and Welfare benefit referred to in this appendix are as follows in A-3.

A-1.04 The Employer shall have the right to make arrangements for the replacement of the current carrier or benefits provided that benefit levels are maintained or improved and employees cost of premiums does not increase unless mutually agreed between the Employer and Union.

The premiums for the Extended Health and Dental Plans shall be shared by the Employer and employees as follows:

Full Time Benefit Plan: 100\% paid by the Employer

Part Time Benefit Plan: Shared by the Employer and employee on a 50/50 basis.

The premiums for the Life Insurance, and AD\&D shall be paid by the Employer for both benefit plans.

A-1.05 In the application of benefit coverage, the terms and conditions of the actual policies or plans will govern in the administration of the various benefit entitlements.

A-1.06 Full plan detail are located in the plan booklets. If there is any discrepancy between the provisions in A-3 and the plan booklet, the plan booklet will prevail.

## A-2 Sick Leave

A-2.01 Sick leave may be used for the following reasons: illness or injury of the employee that makes them unable to perform the duties of their position and illness or injury of a spouse, child or parent, where the employee is required to be a caregiver. The employee shall only be paid for such absences to the extent such employee has sick leave credits.

A-2.02 Upon completion of (1) full calendar year of service active full-time employees shall be credited with six (6) days of paid sick leave per calendar year. Employees may carry over up to two (2) days from the previous year to a maximum of eight (8) days.

Active eligible employees shall be credited the above sick leave hours effective the first pay period of each said calendar year.

Paid sick days shall be used only in full day increments and are not eligible for any pay out following a calendar year.

A-2.03 Accumulated sick leave is not paid out to an Employee upon termination, for whatever the reason.

A-2.04 Sick leave use shall not be permitted while an employee is on any leave of absence.

A-2.05 Employees can be advised as to how much accrued sick time they have remaining upon request.

## A-3 Health and Welfare Plan

## Full-Time Benefits

To qualify for the full-time benefit plan an employee must work a minimum average of forty (40) hours per week over three (3) consecutive months. The forty (40) hour average must be maintained each month or there is a risk of losing full-time benefits. In the event an employee falls below the forty (40) hour qualification average they will be notified. Vacation, general holidays and any other approved leave shall not count against the forty (40) average.

The following is a summary of the full-time benefit plan:

| Benefits at a Clance (Full-Time) |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Benefit | Details |
| Life Insurance \& AD\&D | - Benefit equal to $\$ 25,000$ <br> - Coverage reduces $50 \%$ at age 65 and terminates at the earlier of retirement or age 70 |
| Dependent Life | - Spouse \$5,000 and Child \$2,500 |
| Optional Life | - Can be purchased in units of $\$ 10,000$ to a maximum of $\$ 500,000$ for you and your spouse <br> - Evidence of insurability is required |
| Optional AD\&D | - Can be purchased in units of \$10,000 to a maximum of \$500,000 |
| Optional Critical IIIness | - Can be purchased in units of $\$ 10,000$ to a maximum of $\$ 250,000$ for you and your spouse <br> - Evidence of insurability is required |
| Health Insurance | - $80 \%$ reimbursement for prescription drugs <br> - $100 \%$ reimbursement for all other benefits <br> Drug coverage: <br> - Dispensing fee not covered <br> - Reimbursed at lowest generic drug cost, if a generic is available. If for medical reasons a generic cannot be taken then an exception may be applied for with Canada Life <br> - Prescriptions for smoking cessation - \$300 per lifetime <br> - Fertility treatment - \$2,400 per lifetime <br> Paramedical coverage: <br> - $\$ 500$ per year for all of the following practitioners combined: acupuncturist, audiologist, chiropractor, massage therapist, naturopath, |


|  | osteopath, physiotherapist / occupational therapist, podiatrist / chiropodist, speech therapist <br> Paramedical coverage for mental health providers: <br> - Psychologist, social worker, psychotherapist, clinical counselor and psychoanalyst have an overall combined maximum of $\$ 1,000$ per year <br> Contact Canada Life to confirm if a practitioner is included as an eligible provider <br> - Vision - $\$ 200$ per 24 months <br> - Eye Exams - one per 24 months <br> - Hearing Aids - $\$ 500$ per 5 years <br> - Orthotics - $\$ 300$ per calendar year <br> - Orthopedic Shoes - $\$ 300$ per calendar year <br> - Private Duty Nursing - \$10,000 per calendar year <br> - Emergency Travel - included <br> Coverage terminates at the earlier of age 70 or retirement |
| :---: | :---: |
| Dental Insurance | - $100 \%$ reimbursement for preventative services <br> - $80 \%$ for supplemental basic services <br> - Annual maximum of $\$ 1,000$ <br> Services include items such as: <br> - Recall exams, cleanings, and fluoride - twice per 12 months <br> - Fillings - includes tooth coloured fillings <br> - Periodontic scaling to 8 units per year <br> - Endodontics (i.e., root canals) <br> - Dental services are reimbursed based on the current fee guide Coverage terminates the earlier of age 70 or retirement |
| EAP | - Employee assistance program offered through HumanaCare |

## Part-Time Benefits

To qualify for the part-time benefit plan an employee must work a minimum average of twenty-five (25) hours per week over three (3) consecutive months. The twenty-five (25) hour average must be maintained each month or there is a risk of losing part-time benefits. In the event an employee falls below the twenty-five (25) hour qualification average they will be notified. Vacation, general holidays and any other approved leave shall not count against the twenty-five (25) average.

The following is a summary of the part-time benefit plan:

Benefits at a Glance (Part-Time)

| Benefit | Details |
| :--- | :---: |
| Life Insurance \& AD\&D | $\bullet$ Benefit equal to \$25,000 |


|  | - Coverage reduces $50 \%$ at age 65 and terminates at the earlier of retirement or age 70 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Dependent Life | - Spouse \$5,000 and Child \$2,500 |
| Optional Life | - Can be purchased in units of $\$ 10,000$ to a maximum of $\$ 500,000$ for you and your spouse <br> - Evidence of insurability is required |
| Optional AD\&D | - Can be purchased in units of $\$ 10,000$ to a maximum of \$500,000 |
| Optional Critical IIIness | - Can be purchased in units of $\$ 10,000$ to a maximum of \$250,000 for you and your spouse <br> - Evidence of insurability is required |
| Health Insurance | - $80 \%$ reimbursement for prescription drugs <br> - $100 \%$ reimbursement for all other benefits <br> Drug coverage: <br> - Dispensing fee not covered <br> - Reimbursed at lowest generic drug cost, if a generic is available. If for medical reasons a generic cannot be taken then an exception may be applied for with Canada Life <br> - Prescriptions for smoking cessation - $\$ 300$ per lifetime <br> - Fertility treatment - \$2,400 per lifetime <br> Paramedical coverage: <br> - \$500 per year for all of the following practitioners combined: acupuncturist, audiologist, chiropractor, massage therapist, naturopath, osteopath, physiotherapist / occupational therapist, podiatrist / chiropodist, speech therapist <br> Paramedical coverage for mental health providers: <br> - Psychologist, social worker, psychotherapist, clinical counselor and psychoanalyst have an overall combined maximum of $\$ 1,000$ per year <br> Contact Canada Life to confirm if a practitioner is included as an eligible provider <br> - Vision - $\$ 200$ per 24 months <br> - Eye Exams - one per 24 months <br> - Hearing Aids - $\$ 500$ per 5 years <br> - Orthotics - $\$ 300$ per calendar year <br> - Orthopedic Shoes - \$300 per calendar year <br> - Private Duty Nursing - \$10,000 per calendar year <br> - Emergency Travel - included |


|  | Coverage terminates at the earlier of age 70 or retirement |
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| Dental Insurance | - $100 \%$ reimbursement for preventative services <br> - $80 \%$ for supplemental basic services <br> - Annual maximum of $\$ 1,000$ <br> Services include items such as: <br> - Recall exams, cleanings, and fluoride - twice per 12 months <br> - Fillings - includes tooth coloured fillings <br> - Periodontic scaling to 8 units per year <br> - Endodontics (i.e., root canals) <br> - Dental services are reimbursed based on the current fee guide |
| EAP | - Employee assistance program offered through HumanaCare |

## A-4 RRSP Payroll Deductions

All bargaining unit employees are eligible to join the Employers Registered Retirement Savings Plan through Manulife after two (2) full years of continuous employment.

The Employer will match two (2\%) percent of an employee's contributions to the RRSP plan. Employees have the option to contribute additional earnings to the plan but will be unmatched by the Employer.

It is mutually understood that this RRSP plan and the Employers ability to match employee contributions as outlined above relies entirely on sponsorship from the funder. In the event of a disruption to this sponsorship, the parties agree to meet to discuss alternate matching options but under no circumstance will Employer contributions cease.

## A-5 TFSA Payroll Deductions

The Employer agrees to enable payroll deduction for employees to contribute to the TFSA plan, through Canada Life. The Employer's sole responsibility will be to deduct the amounts specified by the employee on and remit these funds to Canada Life.

## APPENDIX "B" WAGES

## B-1 Classifications and Hourly Rates of Pay

| Direct Support Specialist | $\$ 15.75$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Start | $\$ 16.25$ |
| 1 year | $\$ 16.75$ |
| 2 years | $\$ 17.50$ |
| 3 years | $\$ 18.25$ |
| 4 years | $\$ 19.00$ |
| 5 years | $\$$ |
| Team Leads | $\$ 17.30$ |
| Start | $\$ 17.80$ |
| 1 year | $\$ 18.30$ |
| 2 years | $\$ 19.05$ |
| 3 years | $\$ 19.80$ |
| 4 years | $\$ 20.80$ |
| 5 years |  |

If any funding becomes available to be used for wage increases during the term of this Agreement, the Employer shall pass on such increases to the Employees consistent with the funding increase. Wage increases will apply and be effective as of the day the increased funding is received by the Employer. Should there be no increase for wages, or a reduction in funding for wages, then wages will be maintained at their current levels.

## B-2 Overscale Employees Premium

All Employees who are receiving a higher rate of pay than their classification in the wage table above shall be considered overscale. Overscale Employees will be entitled to maintain their current rate of pay plus an additional twenty-five (\$.25) cents per hour in each year of the CBA effective the date of ratification. The Overscale employee's premium shall be exclusive of all Vacation, Overtime and General Holiday pay.

## B-3 Cell Phones

The Employer agrees to provide smart phones to be kept in homes where Supported Individuals reside in order to be used by employees to carry out day to day working activities.

## B-4 Performing Duties of Lower Paid Classification

An employee temporarily assigned to perform duties of a lower paid classification or position, shall not suffer any reduction in earnings.

## B-5 Vehicle Allowance

a) Where the Employer requests employees to utilize their own vehicles, the Employer agrees to reimburse such employees at the rate of fifty $\mathbf{( \$ . 5 0 )}$ cents per kilometer. STSU employees shall receive reimbursement for their daily commute to and from the STSU in addition to any other required use of their personal vehicle.
b) Employees shall be allowed to plug their vehicle into the available electrical outlets at the workplace during the winter months at no cost to the employees.
c) Where an employee has their vehicle vandalized or damaged during the performance of their duties as a result of the action of a supported individual, they must complete an incident report outlining details as to how the incident occurred. The incident report and a clear photo of the damage must be provided to their Supervisor within forty-eight (48) hours of the incident occurring. The employee shall be reimbursed the cost of their deductible or alternately the Employer may agree to cover the cost of the repair.

## APPENDIX "C"

## Bumping Protocol

1. The bumping process will be implemented only if a permanent position held by a Unionized Employee of the Employer is eliminated and the incumbent in that position wishes to remain in the Employer's employ.
2. If a position is to be eliminated, the Employer will notify each location by memo, which position is to be eliminated and the hire date of the person/s (not the name of the person/s) who currently hold that position.
3. Bumping is to be done on the basis of the provisions in 12.02. Full-time employees may bump into part-time positions, but part-time employees may not bump into fulltime positions.
4. In the case of closure of a residence, the Employer will hold a general information/question meeting for Employees of the Employer.
5. An Employee whose position has been eliminated or has been bumped from a position they are currently in will be given a list of all positions held by Employees with less seniority than the Employee, and any other vacant positions.
6. In the event an eliminated position is held by an Employee with less seniority than all other Employees that currently hold positions within the Employer, the Employee will be given the choice of either being laid off or put on the casual list.
7. Employees will be given 48 hours from the time of notice by the Employer, to decide which position they will bump into. Should an Employee not respond within 48 hours, the Employer will recognize that the Employee has chosen either to be laid off or to move onto the casual list.
8. Employees must notify the Employer in writing of their decision to bump into a position. The Employer will then notify affected Employees by phone with written communication to follow.
9. After bumping into a position, Employees either can remain in that position, can move to casual, or resign (only an Employee who has no position to bump into or is not qualified for a position can be laid off).
10. If, within the first 10 working shifts of starting into a bumped position, an Employee chooses to move to casual or resign, the person originally bumped from the position will be reinstated as soon as scheduling permits (all Employees affected will return to their original positions).
11. Notification of bumping of Employees who are on vacation, sick leave or statutory leave: The Employer will notify Employees on extended sick leave or maternity/parental leave/compassionate care leave by phone that they are bumped and they will have 48 hours to decide whether they will bump someone else, go to casual, or be laid off. If an Employee is on vacation when they are bumped, the bumping process will be put on hold until that Employee returns to work and is notified of the bump, although the Employee bumping can train and start into that position.
12. Employees are NOT to contact other Employees at home or at work regarding the bumping process. Any questions Employees may have must be directed to the Employer. This will help to eliminate rumors gossip, and misunderstandings.

## APPENDIX "D"

## Restructuring Protocol

1. This process will be implemented where:
a) the Employer determines that the manner in which services are to be provided within a residence are to be restructured to meet the needs of one or more Supported Individuals; and
b) as a result of this restructuring, and with respect to permanent positions, the overall structure of hours, shifts or number of positions are to be altered.
2. If a restructuring is to be done, the Employer will notify the employees working in the residence as to the new structure.
3. Employees holding regular full-time or part-time positions within the residence will have the opportunity to choose, subject to meeting the requirements of Article 12.02, which position they wish to fill. Employees shall choose in order of seniority.
4. In the choosing process, should a Senior Employee opt to skip their turn choosing, choosing will continue by seniority until all positions are filled.
5. Employees will be given 48 hours from the time of notice by the Employer, to communicate their preference in writing which position they will choose. Should the Employee not respond to the Employer in writing within 48 hours, the Employer will recognize that the Employee has chosen to move to casual or resign.
6. Employees must notify the Employer in writing of their position choice. The Employer will then notify affected Employees by phone and in writing as confirmation to communicate the position into which the employee is placed.
7. Notification of Employees who are on leave, including vacation: The Employer will notify Employees on leave, including vacation, of the restructuring by phone and/or in writing and they will then have 48 hours to decide what position they will choose within their work location. Employees on leave must contact the Employer by phone with their choice and communicate in writing thereafter. Employees going on leave, including vacation, may leave the Employer with alternate contact information to be used for the duration of the leave including vacation. Any notifications under this provision will be forwarded to the contact information provided, in addition to the employee's regular contact information.
8. Employees who, at the end of restructuring, are left without a permanent position are entitled to bump into another position at another work location, and the bumping protocol shall apply.
9. If there are positions available after the restructuring which were not filled through this process, employees working in other residences will be advised of the outstanding positions, and the process set out in 12.02 shall apply with respect to filling those outstanding positions.
10. In the case of concurrent restructuring at more than one work location, restructuring at all affected locations must occur first before the bumping begins. At this time all Employees entitled to a bump will be contacted by seniority to choose the position they wish to bump into. The bumping protocol will be followed.
11. Employees are NOT to contact other Employees at home or at work regarding the restructuring or bumping process. Any questions Employees may have must be directed to the Employer. This will help to eliminate rumors gossip, and misunderstandings.

## EXHIBIT ONE NOTICE OF HIRE

## TO: THE NEW OR REHIRED EMPLOYEE:

You are hereby informed that Union membership is a condition of employment and that maintaining good standing in the union requires payment of Union dues, initiation fees and assessments as authorized by the Union. Articles of the Agreement between the United Food \& Commercial Workers Union, Local 832, and BRANDON SUPPORT SERVICES doing business as CBI HEALTH contain the following statements:
"All employees shall become Union members in good standing, and shall as a condition of employment maintain union membership. All new employees hired after the date of signing of this Agreement shall, as a condition of employment, become Union members within thirty (30) days of the date of employment and shall, as a condition of employment, remain Union members in good standing. The term hired or rehired shall not apply to employees on layoff."
"The Employer shall deduct from the wages of each employee, such Union dues, initiation fees and assessments as are authorized by the Union. The Employer further agrees to deduct the Union dues automatically from the wages of new or rehired employees' first pay cheques. Monies deducted during any month shall be forwarded by the Employer to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Union within twenty (20) calendar days following the end of the Employer's four (4) or five (5) week accounting period and shall be accompanied by a four (4) or five (5) week or monthly written statement of the names and social insurance numbers and addresses of the employees for whom deductions were made and the amount of each deduction. The Employer shall also provide the Union, when remitting the monthly cheque, with the name change of employees. The Union shall give the Employer four (4) weeks prior notice of any change in the amount of dues to be deducted."

Please complete a Membership Application immediately (sample below) and return it to your Employer so they can forward it to the UFCW, Local 832 Union office (1412 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3G OV5) within 10 calendar days of your hire or rehire date.


