

Good news!

To do

- Let your caseworker know if you get a new job.
- Each month, report your monthly pay on your income statement and submit it by the deadline.

We can help

- We can help you get a job if you don't have one.
- We can help you with things you need for work, like uniforms, transportation, and childcare.
- When our services are no longer needed, don't forget you can still apply to Low Income Family Pharmacare. You are also eligible for a drug plan that lasts up to one year or until a new medical plan is available at your place of work.

Most importantly...

With these changes, you can take home more money than you do today.

Contact your caseworker for more information, or call 1-877-424-1177

If you work while on Income Assistance you will take home more money starting October 1st, 2018!


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We are changing the wage rules so you can take home more money than before.

Under the new rules, you can take home more money than you do today.

Changes start in fall 2018.

Policy rules

Regular Employment

Monthly Earnings	Amount that you keep
\$0–\$250	100%
\$250–\$500	\$250 PLUS 75% of any money earned over \$250
\$500–\$750	\$437.50 PLUS 50% of any money earned over \$500
Over \$750	\$562.50 PLUS 25% of any money earned over \$750

Supported Employment

“Supported Employment” means employment of a person whose physical, mental or cognitive abilities prevent them from working on their own without continuous support.

Monthly Earnings	Amount that you keep
\$0–\$350	100%
\$350–\$500	\$350 PLUS 75% of any money earned over \$350
\$500–\$750	\$462.50 PLUS 50% of any money earned over \$500
Over \$750	\$587.50 PLUS 25% of any money earned over \$750

How much more?

That depends on your wages, but everyone working will end up with more money. Here is one person who will take home more money from her wages.

Scenario – Maggie



- She is single.
- She is renting her home.
- She has no dependents.
- Her basic IA cheque is \$585 a month.
- She earns \$840 per month at her job.

Under the old rules, she takes home \$942 total, because her IA cheque is reduced by \$483.

Under the new rules, she takes home \$1170.

Under the new rules, Maggie has \$288 more each month.

How much more will I take home?

Here are three ways you can find out how much more you will take home:

- Try our online Wage Estimator: novascotia.ca/apps/dcs-estimator
- Calculate the amount using the Policy Rules table in this pamphlet.
- Contact your caseworker.