

## GINOOGAMING FIRST NATION TIMBER CLAIM TRUST

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# HEALTH PROGRAM POLICY

Adopted July 21, 2010

#### **POLICY STATEMENT:**

In accordance with the permitted uses of the Ginoogaming First Nation Timber Trust Claim Agreement Section 11.4 - (a); it is the policy of the Ginoogaming First Nation Timber Claim Trust to set aside a designated amount of funds annually to provide health related assistance to qualifying Band Members.

#### PURPOSE OF THE POLICY:

The primary objective of the Health Program is to provide financial assistance to Ginoogaming First Nation members with the costs of medical expenses that are <u>not</u> covered by provincial, private and Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB).

The second objective of the Health Program is to provide supplementary financial assistance to Ginoogaming First Nation members to assist with the costs of medical expenses that are covered by provincial, private and Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB).

Financial assistance may only be awarded in accordance to this Ginoogaming First Nation Timber Claim Trust – Health Program Policy.

#### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To be eligible to apply for assistance under the Ginoogaming First Nation Timber Claim Trust – Health Program; you must be:

• A registered Ginoogaming First Nation band member.

#### BENEFITS PROVIDED

The following benefits may be provided through the Ginoogaming First Nation Timber Claim Trust – Health Program.

- 1. Prescription Medication
- 2. Medical Transportation
- 3. Dental
- 4. Medical Supplies and Equipment
- 5. Eye & Vision Care
- 6. Counseling
- 7. Traditional Healers

#### APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- 1. Written requests for financial assistance shall be submitted to the Ginoogaming First Nation.
- 2. All requests shall be accompanied with of the following required information and documents:
  - a. Documentation from a certified medical professional; and
  - Supporting documentation by the provincial insured health program and\or Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) that states why their request was not approved;
  - c. Original receipts or invoices.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF GINOOGAMING FIRST NATION

- Ginoogaming First Nation will undertake full administration and accountability of all assistance provided.
- 2. Ginoogaming First Nation shall maintain all necessary files, applications and financial records.
- 3. Ginoogaming First Nation will provide detailed financial reports to the Ginoogaming First Nation Timber Claim Trust on the assistance provided.
- 4. Ginoogaming First Nation will provide in January of each year a detailed accountability report supported by financial documents indicating: what benefits were provided as per Section 11.4(a) of the Trust Agreement and what assistance was provided to either on/off reserve members.
- 5. Failure to provide accountability report will suspend funding for the following year. Funding can be allocated to other programs as per Section 11.4 of the Trust Agreement.