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Title: Core and Enhanced Funding Policy		Executive Sponsors: Vice President, Service Delivery & Innovation Vice President, Finance & Chief Financial Officer

Summary

This policy explains Core and Enhanced Funding.

It is a small amount of funding available to people who are eligible for CLBC but have no other CLBC-funded services.

The policy explains that Core Funding can be used for supports for individuals and families. People with high needs who have no other CLBC-funded services may receive Enhanced Funding.

The policy also connects Core and Enhanced Funding to other CLBC policies, which helps explain how the funding can be used.

1. PURPOSE

This policy sets out direction for Community Living BC (CLBC) staff, individuals, and families and/or support networks about Core and Enhanced Funding. It outlines who is eligible for this funding, what it can be used for, and the requirements for its use.

It should be reviewed together with the *Supports Funded by Community Living BC* document, the *Individual and Family Wellness Policy*, *Employment Policy*, *Direct Funding Policy*, and *Host Agency Policy*. These policies, and related tools, are applied together as one set of guidance for individuals and their families and/or support networks to understand what support is available.

2. DEFINITIONS

Contracted Services: Supports and services managed by CLBC and funded through contracts between CLBC and service providers.

Direct Funding: An Individualized Funding payment option whereby funds allocated by CLBC are paid to an individual or their agent for the purchase of individualized supports and services.

Policy Framework

Disability-related Need: The specific assistance required by an individual in ten functional areas of day-to-day life.

Guide to Support Allocation (GSA): An electronic tool used by CLBC to outline an individual's disability-related needs.

Host Agency Funding: An Individualized Funding payment option whereby funds allocated by CLBC for the purchase of individualized supports and services are paid by CLBC to a Host Agency selected by the individual and/or agent.

Individual: A person 19 years of age or older who is eligible for CLBC services, as described in the *Eligibility Policy*.

Individualized Funding: Self-directed payment options as described in the *Individualized Funding Policy*.

Services: Actions, goods, or program locations/activities that are provided under contract for individuals and families and/or support networks supported by CLBC; and fall within the definitions of the *Supports Funded by CLBC* document.

Supports Funded by Community Living BC: The services funded by CLBC as well as associated parameters that relate to disability-related needs and the amount of service that can be provided.

Support Network: Friends, family and/or community members who provide personal support, advocacy and/or help with monitoring services and who have reciprocal relationships with individuals.

3. POLICY

3.1 Core Funding is standardized funding that CLBC offers to individuals and their families and/or support networks who have requested CLBC-funded services but receive no other services, with the exception of CLBC employment services or inclusive post-secondary education through Steps Forward.

3.2 Core Funding is intended to provide a small amount of basic support to individuals and their families and/or support networks to help meet their disability-related needs. It can be used for the following services:

- Employment
- Community Inclusion
- Learning
- Homemaker
- Independent Living
- Individual & Family Wellness (Self-Directed and Agency-Coordinated)

These services are outlined on [CLBC's website](#) and in the *Supports Funded by Community Living BC* document, *Employment Policy*, and *Individual and Family Wellness Policy*.

3.3 Individuals and their families and/or support networks can choose to access Core and Enhanced Funding under CLBC's available funding models.

3.4 With the exception of CLBC employment services or inclusive post-secondary education through Steps Forward, Core Funding remains in place for the period in which an individual does not receive additional CLBC-funded services. When funding for additional services becomes available, CLBC works with individuals and their families and/or support networks to determine the best approach to meet their support needs.

Enhanced Funding

3.5 Enhanced Funding is an increase from the standard Core Funding amount that is available to individuals with a high level of disability-related need, as determined through the resource allocation process outlined in the *Resource Allocation Policy*.

3.6 Individuals eligible to receive the Enhanced Funding:

- Have already been determined eligible for or are receiving Core Funding
- Have a Guide to Support Allocation score of 4 or 5, live with their family and/or support network, and receive no other CLBC-funded services (with the exception of CLBC employment services or inclusive post-secondary education through Steps Forward).

3.7 Enhanced Funding is available to individuals while they continue to meet these criteria. When funding for additional services becomes available, CLBC works with individuals and their families and/or support networks to determine the best approach to meet their support needs.

3.8 Enhanced Funding may be used for the same services as Core Funding outlined in section 3.2.

4. REFERENCES

[Direct Funding Policy](#)

[Employment Policy](#)

[Host Agency Funding Policy](#)

[Individual and Family Wellness Policy](#)

[Individualized Funding Policy](#)

[Request for Service Policy](#)

[Resource Allocation Policy](#)

[Support and Planning Policy](#)

[Supports Funded by Community Living BC](#)