Collective Agreement

between

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

(hereinafter referred to as the Employer)

of the first part

and

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union Representing Families First Home Visitors

(hereinafter referred to as the Union)

of the second part

April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2018

WITNESSETH: That for the purpose of promoting cooperation and understanding between the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority and its employees affected hereby, and to recognize the mutual value of joint discussions and negotiations with respect to compensation for employees, including the establishment of pay ranges for new classes of employees and the adjustment from time to time of pay ranges for existing classes of employees and working conditions of employees, the parties hereto agree as follows:

The Collective Agreement provides the terms and conditions respecting:

Section I Applicable to All Members of the Bargaining Unit

Section II Section left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

Section III All employees covered in MLB #5509.

^{*}Date of Ratification for this Collective Agreement is September 8, 2015.

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*All changes appear in **bold**.

Section I

The following Articles are applicable to all members of the Bargaining Unit.

Article I 1 Interpretation

- **I 1:01** In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the expression:
 - (a) "Accumulated Service" means an employee's regular hours worked in a classification covered by the terms and conditions of the Collective Agreement.
 - One thousand eight hundred eighty-five (1885) hours equals one [1] year of accumulated service.
 - (b) "Authorized Overtime" shall mean overtime authorized by the Employer and where the term "overtime" is used in this Agreement, it shall mean authorized overtime.
 - (c) Casual Employee means an employee who is not the incumbent of an EFT position.
 - A Section III Casual Employee normally works less than the full normal daily, weekly or monthly hours of work, as the case may be, and whose work is irregular, or non-recurring or does not follow an ongoing predetermined schedule of work on a regular and recurring basis.
 - (i) Casual employees are only entitled to payment for actual hours worked.
 - (ii) Casual employees shall receive vacation pay bi-weekly at the rate of four percent (4%) of the regular hours worked in a bi-weekly period.
 - (iii) Casual employees are paid in accordance with the salaries specified in the attached salary schedule. Increments/merit increases will be earned in accordance with the number of hours worked.
 - (iv) Casual employees are entitled to the shift premium(s) outlined in Article III 16.
 - (v) Casual employees required to work on a recognized holiday shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half (1½x) their basic rate of pay.
 - (vi) A casual employee will be paid four point six two percent (4.62%) of their basic pay in lieu of time off on General

Holidays. Such holiday pay shall be included in each pay cheque.

- (vii) Casual employees shall be entitled to compensation for overtime worked in accordance with the applicable Article in **Section III 2**.
- (viii) The Employer agrees to deduct Union dues in an amount specified by the Union in any pay period for which the casual employee receives any payment in accordance with Article I 17.
- (ix) 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.
- (x) Retroactive to their first day of employment, seniority shall accumulate on the basis of all regular hours worked for the sole purpose of attaining a permanent position or term position, subject to Article III 13. Such casual seniority will not take priority over full-time or part-time employee seniority.
- (xi) Articles **I 19** and **I 20** herein apply only with respect to the terms of this Article.

(xii) Casual employees are not entitled to any benefits under Articles I 14, I 15, I 26 or III 10.

- (d) "Classification" means a group of positions involving duties and responsibilities so similar that the same or like qualifications may reasonably be required for, and the same pay schedule applied to, all positions in the group.
- (e) "Community Office" means the designated location within the community from which the community health services are coordinated.
- (f) "Continuous Service" or "Continuous Employment" means consecutive and contiguous days, weeks, months and/or years of employment with the Employer where there has been no break in service involving termination of the employee. In the calculation of continuous service, any approved

leave of absence with pay shall not affect continuous service and any authorized leave of absence without pay or a temporary layoff, while not considered a break in service, shall not be counted in the total continuous service.

Example: ten (10) years' consecutive and contiguous service with six (6) months' leave of absence without pay or six (6) months' layoff = nine and one-half (9½) years; continuous service.

- (g) "Day" means the period of twenty-four (24) hours which commences on any given day at 00:01 hours and ends at 24:00 hours.
- (h) "Dismissal" means the removal for disciplinary reasons from a position of employment for just cause.
- (i) "Employee" means a person employed by a Regional Health Authority in a position in the bargaining unit and covered by the terms and conditions of this Collective Agreement.
- (j) A "Full-time Employee" is one who regularly works the hours specified in Article III 1.
- (k) "Increment" means the amount provided as a rate of increase in the applicable **hourly** rate payable to any eligible employee, which unless the context of the relevant approved pay range otherwise clearly indicates, may be granted annually on the applicable anniversary date.
- (l) "Layoff" means to temporarily remove from a position of employment subject to the employee retaining such rights as set out under this Agreement.
- (m) "Mutatis Mutandis" means with the necessary changes of detail or with the necessary modifications.
- (n) "Part-time Employee" means an employee who normally works less than the full normal daily or **bi-weekly hours**, as the case may be, and whose work follows an ongoing, predetermined schedule of work on a regular recurring basis.
- (o) "Promotion" means a change of employment from one (1) position to another having a higher maximum **hourly rate of pay**.

- (p) Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.
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- (r) "Transfer" means the removal of an employee from a position in a classification and appointing the employee to another position in the same classification or to another position in a different classification having the same maximum **hourly** rate of pay.
- (s) "Union" means the Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union.
- (t) "Weekend" means the forty-eight (48) hour period that falls between 00:01 hours on the Saturday and 24:00 hours on the following Sunday.
- I 1:02 Wherever the singular and the masculine are used in this Agreement, the same shall be construed as meaning the plural or the feminine or the neuter where the context so admits or requires and the converse shall hold as applicable.

Article I 2 Recognition

- I 2:01 (a) The Employer recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for all employees who are employed under this Agreement and further;
 - (b) Recognizes the Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for all employees as defined in the Manitoba Labour Board Certificate No. 5509 except those covered by other Collective Agreements and those excluded by the Act.
- I 2:02 This Agreement shall apply to all employees employed by the Regional Health Authority in classifications listed in **the Salary Schedule** which is attached to and forms part of this Agreement.
- It is agreed by both parties that during the terms of this Agreement there shall be no strikes, lockouts, stoppage of work, or slow down and that all disputes and grievances shall be settled in accordance with the procedures set forth in Article I 19 hereof.

Article I 3 Duration of Agreement

- I 3:01 This Agreement shall be effective from April 1, 2013 and shall continue in effect up to and including March 31, 2018 and shall remain in full force and effect from year to year thereafter unless written notice to negotiate a renewal, or revision and renewal is given by either party at least thirty (30) days, but not more than ninety (90) days, prior to the expiry date hereof. During the period required to negotiate a renewal, or revision and renewal of this Agreement, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect without change.
- I 3:02 Where either party wishes to negotiate a renewal of this Agreement, the party shall give notice at least thirty (30) days, but not more than ninety (90) days, prior to the expiry date hereof. The parties shall, within thirty (30) days following receipt of the notice to bargain, commence collective bargaining and at that time exchange written proposals. These time limits may be changed by mutual agreement between the parties hereto.
- I 3:03 Unless otherwise specified, all additions, deletions, amendments, and/or revisions from the previous Agreement to this Agreement shall be effective the first day of the bi-weekly pay period following the date of ratification of this Agreement.

Article I 4 Benefits

Refer to Section III, as applicable.

Article I 5 Pay

- **I 5:01** Employees shall be paid their current hourly rate for all hours worked in their classification contained within this Collective Agreement.
- I 5:02 Where an employee is promoted to a higher classification, the employee shall be paid at a rate of pay set out for that classification in the pay plan that provides the equivalent of one (1) increment step in relation to the wage rate in her new classification. For the purposes of calculation, this increment shall be at least equivalent in value to the difference between the start rate and Step 1 in the employee's former classification.

Where the placement of the employee on the next highest rate of pay results in an increase of more than two point five percent (2.5%) on the hourly rate, the employee's anniversary date for future merit increases will be adjusted to the first day of their placement in the new classification.

I 5:03 Where an employee is voluntarily demoted from a position in a higher grade to a position in a lower grade, she shall be placed on the same increment step of the lower graded position.

Where an employee is involuntarily demoted from a position in a higher grade to a position in a lower grade, she shall be placed on the increment step of the lower graded position which is closest to, but not higher than her present rate of pay.

Article I 6 Merit Increase

- **I 6:01** "Merit Increase" means an increase in the rate of pay of an employee within the employee's pay range which may be granted in recognition of satisfactory service on the employee's anniversary date.
- **I 6:02** Applicable to employees hired after May 31, 2004, the anniversary date of an employee is the date on which the employee is employed in a position in the bargaining unit except as outlined in the **Salary Schedules**.
- **I 6:03** An employee's anniversary date shall not be affected by a change in classification or position.
- I 6:04 Where the pay range for an employee's classification permits, an employee shall be eligible for a merit increase review twelve (12) months from the employee's anniversary date established in accordance with this Article provided the employee has accumulated 1,000 regular hours of work during that preceding twelve (12) month period.

If an employee has not accumulated 1,000 regular hours during that twelve (12) month period and as a result has not received a merit increase, the employee is eligible for a merit increase at the employee's next subsequent anniversary date twelve (12) months hence provided the employee has accumulated 1,000 regular hours during the preceding twenty-four (24) month period. In a similar manner,

an employee who has not accumulated 1,000 regular hours over the preceding twenty-four (24) month period is eligible for a merit increase at the employee's next anniversary date following the accumulation of 1,000 regular hours.

- I 6:05 Notwithstanding that an employee is appointed to a position at a salary rate higher than the minimum salary applicable to the position, the employee is eligible for a merit increase on the employee's anniversary date.
- **I 6:06** The effective date for an employee's merit increase shall be the employee's anniversary date. An employee must be in the classification on the employee's anniversary date in order that the merit increase take effect.
- I 6:07 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.
- **I 6:08** Where a merit increase is not granted to an employee on the employee's anniversary date:
 - (a) The employee shall be notified of the merit increase denial on or before the applicable anniversary date. The employee shall be provided in writing with the reasons the merit increase was denied;
 - (b) The merit increase may be granted to the employee on any subsequent monthly anniversary date which is not less than three (3) months from the employee's anniversary date. The effective date for such a merit increase shall be the first day of the bi-weekly pay period which includes the subsequent monthly anniversary date referred to;
 - (c) The employee may file a grievance at Step 2 of the grievance procedure. No grievance may be initiated where a merit increase is not granted to an employee under **Article I 6:08(b)**;
 - (d) The employee is eligible for a merit increase at the employee's next anniversary date notwithstanding that the employee was granted a merit increase under **Article I 6:08(b)**.
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- I 6:10 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

- I 6:11 Where an employee has been on maternity leave and/or parental leave and as a result of such leave(s) fails to be eligible for a merit increase under Section :04, the employee will be eligible for a merit increase on the date on which the employee accumulates the necessary regular hours of work.
- I 6:12 Notwithstanding that an employee is appointed to a position at a salary rate higher than the minimum salary applicable to the position, the employee is eligible for a merit increase on the employee's anniversary date.

Article I 7 Management Rights

- I 7:01 All the functions, rights, personnel pay practices, powers and authority which the Employer has not specifically abridged, delegated or modified by this Agreement are recognized by the Union as being retained by the Employer.
- **I 7:02** In administering this Agreement, the Employer shall act reasonably, fairly, in good faith, and in a manner consistent with the Agreement as a whole.
- In any emergency declared by the Employer or disaster declared by EMO, employees are required to perform duties as assigned notwithstanding any contrary provision in the Collective Agreement.

Compensation for unusual working conditions related to such emergency or disaster will be provided in accordance with the Collective Agreement.

Where overtime is worked by reason of a disaster plan exercise or fire drill, overtime will be paid in accordance with the applicable Overtime Article.

The importance of disaster plan exercises and fire drills is mutually acknowledged by the Employer and the Union and, to this end, participation of all employees is encouraged.

Article I 8 Disciplinary Action

- **I 8:01** An employee shall only be disciplined for just cause.
- **I 8:02** Where possible, the Employer shall give the employee prior notice of the nature of the complaint. A hearing may be held with an employee prior to making a

determination to suspend or dismiss an employee. The employee has the option to have a representative present.

- I 8:03 Where disciplinary action has been taken the employee shall be advised in writing of the disciplinary action and the circumstances and actions which made the disciplinary action necessary. The employee shall sign a copy only to acknowledge its receipt and shall retain a copy.
- **I 8:04** An employee may grieve any disciplinary action in accordance with the Grievance Procedure.

Article I 9 Personnel Files

Upon the written request to the Employer, the personnel file of an employee shall be made available for that employee's full examination. Such examination shall be in the presence of a representative of the Employer. The employee has the option to have a representative present. Every effort shall be made by all parties to ensure that the full examination of the employee's file shall occur no later than two (2) calendar weeks of the request being made to Human Resources or the applicable supervisor.

Where it has been agreed by the Employer that such examination shall take place during the employee's work time, the employee will be compensated for time spent as if he/she were at work.

- I 9:02 An employee may request a copy of specific documents on the employee's personnel file. This provision shall not be unreasonably requested or denied.
- **I 9:03** There shall be a central personnel file maintained by the Employer for each employee.

Article I 10 Resignations

I 10:01 Employees wishing to resign shall provide the Employer with a written notice of resignation which shall specify the last day upon which an employee will perform his or her regular duties.

- **I 10:02** The effective date of a resignation shall be the last day upon which an employee is present at work and performs the **employee's** regular duties.
- I 10:03 Where the last day on which an employee who has submitted a notice of resignation performs the employee's regular duties precedes a Friday which, but for the fact that a holiday falls thereon would be a regular working day, the employee shall be deemed to have voluntarily terminated the employee's service on that Friday and shall be eligible for holiday pay for that Friday.
- I 10:04 Employees shall give written notice of resignation at least two (2) weeks prior to the date on which the resignation is to be effective. However, employees with less than one (1) year of service shall give written notice of one (1) week.
- I 10:05 Subject to the sole discretion of the Employer, an employee may withdraw the notice of resignation at any time before the resignation becomes effective.
- **I 10:06** The Employer may give equivalent basic pay in lieu of notice.
- **I 10:07** The employee agrees to return all equipment, keys, identification and materials belonging to the Employer prior to or at the termination date.
- I 10:08 Where the employment of an employee terminates at the end of a specific term of employment, or on the completion of a job for which the employee was specifically employed, no notice of resignation is required.
- I 10:09 Where an employee is absent without leave for five (5) working days, unless there are extenuating circumstances, he shall be considered to have abandoned his position and shall be deemed to have resigned without notice on the last day on which he was present at work and performed his regular duties.
- I 10:10 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

Article I 11 Performance Appraisal

I 11:01 Where a formal assessment of an employee's performance is made, the employee concerned shall be given an opportunity to sign the assessment form upon its completion to indicate that its contents have been read. Employees shall have the right to place their own comments on the form where such space

is provided or to append their comments to the form where no space is provided. An employee shall, upon request, receive a copy of the assessment.

Article I 12 Medical Fitness

- **I 12:01** The Employer may require an employee to have a psychiatric examination and/or a physical examination.
- I 12:02 A duly qualified medical practitioner giving a psychiatric or physical examination shall complete the forms required by the Employer.
- **I 12:03** The cost of any examination referred to in **Article I 12:02** will be paid by the Employer.

Article I 13 Stand-by

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Article I 14 Bereavement and Compassionate Care Leave

- I 14:01 The Employer will grant a paid bereavement leave of absence of up to four (4) days for death of members in the immediate family. For the purpose of clarification of this Agreement, immediate family means: spouse, fiancé, common-law spouse, same-sex partner, former legal guardian, child, mother, father, stepmother, stepfather, stepchild, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandparent, grandparent-in-law, grandchild, current son-in-law and current daughter-in-law or any other relative permanently residing in the employee's household or with whom the employee permanently resides.
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- I 14:04 Provided an employee has not received bereavement leave for the death in question, an employee shall be entitled to bereavement leave up to a maximum of one (1) day without loss of salary for attending a funeral as a pallbearer or mourner.

I 14:05 An employee shall be entitled to additional bereavement or special leave up to a maximum of two (2) days without loss of salary, requested for the purpose of attending a funeral at a distance.

I 14:06 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

I 14:07 An employee who is entitled to be reavement leave under Article I 14:01 during vacation leave shall receive vacation credits equal to the number of days of be reavement leave granted.

I 14:08 Compassionate Care Leave

An employee shall receive compassionate care leave without pay to provide care or support to a seriously ill family member, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) An employee must have completed at least thirty (30) days of employment as of the intended date of leave.
- (b) An employee who wishes to take a leave under this section must give the Employer notice of at least one (1) pay period, unless circumstances necessitate a shorter period.
- (c) An employee may take no more than two (2) periods of leave, totalling no more than eight (8) weeks, which must end no later than twenty-six (26) weeks after the day the first period of leave began. No period of leave may be less than one (1) weeks' duration.
- (d) For an employee to be eligible for leave, a physician who provides care to the family member 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 (1) or more family members.

The employee must give the Employer a copy of the physician's certificate as soon as possible.

- (e) A family member for the purpose of this Article shall be defined as:
 - (i) A spouse or common-law partner of the employee;
 - (ii) A child of the employee or a child of the employee's spouse or common-law partner;
 - (iii) A parent of the employee or a spouse or common-law partner of the parent;
 - (iv) A brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, grandchild or grandparent of the employee or of the employee's spouse or common-law partner;
 - (v) A current or former foster parent of the employee or of the employee's spouse or common-law partner;
 - (vi) A current or former foster child, ward or guardian of the employee, or of the employee's spouse or common-law partner;
 - (vii) The spouse or common-law partner of a person mentioned in any of the clauses (iii), (iv), (v), and (vi);
 - (viii) Any other person whom the employee considers to be like a close relative, whether or not they are related by blood, adoption, marriage or common-law relationship.
- (f) An employee may end their compassionate leave earlier than eight (8) weeks by giving the Employer at least forty-eight (48) hours' notice. Where an employee has been provided necessary time off under this section, and where the Employer has made arrangements for alternate staffing for covering the anticipated absence, the Employer shall have the right to cancel the relief shifts scheduled to cover the anticipated absence without additional cost.
- (g) Seniority shall accrue as per Article III 13:02.

- (h) Where applicable, an employee may apply to utilize income protection to cover part or all of the two (2) week Employment Insurance waiting period.
- (i) In the event that the death of a family member occurs during this period of leave, the employee shall be eligible for Bereavement Leave as outlined above.

Article I 15 Parental Leave

- I 15:01 An employee shall be granted one (1) day's leave with pay to attend to needs directly related to the adoption of the child. At the employee's option such leave shall be granted on the day of, or the day following the adoption.
- I 15:02 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.
- **I 15:03** In order to qualify for parental leave, an employee must:
 - (a) Be the natural mother of a child; or
 - (b) Be the natural father of a child or he must assume actual care and custody of his newborn child; or
 - (c) Adopt a child under the law of a province.
- I 15:04 An employee who qualifies under Article I 15:03 must:
 - (a) Have completed seven (7) continuous months of employment; and
 - (b) Submit to the Employer an application in writing for parental leave at least four (4) weeks before the day specified in the application as the day on which the employee intends to commence the leave.
- I 15:05 An employee who qualifies in accordance with **Article I 15:03** and **I 15:04** is entitled to Parental Leave without pay for a continuous period of up to thirty-seven (37) weeks.
- I 15:06 Subject to Article I 15:07, parental leave must commence no later than the first anniversary date of the birth or adoption of the child or the date on which the child comes into the actual care and custody of the employee.

- I 15:07 Where an employee takes parental leave in addition to maternity leave, the employee must commence the parental leave immediately on expiry of the maternity leave without a return to work unless otherwise approved by the Employer.
- I 15:08 An employee may be granted up to one (1) day's leave of absence with pay to attend to needs directly related to the birth of **their** child. At the employee's option such leave shall be granted on the day of, or the day following the birth of **their** child, or the day of **their partner's** admission to or discharge from the hospital.

I 15:09 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

Article I 16 Union Business

- **I 16:01** Leave of absence to attend to Union business may be granted to employees under the following conditions:
 - (a) Requests for leave shall be made in writing by the Union by providing the employee with a letter of request. The employee shall submit the letter to the **employee's** immediate supervisor who shall forward the request to the Employer for approval. The Union will also provide a copy of the written request to the Human Resource Department.
 - (b) Requests for leave shall be made with reasonable advance notice but not less than three (3) working days and shall be granted only where operational requirements permit. Where special or unusual circumstances prevent compliance with the three (3) working days' notice, the request shall be considered and shall not be unreasonably denied. The Union will provide the Employer with written confirmation of dates requested.
 - (c) Where such leave of absence has been granted the Union shall reimburse the **Regional Health Authority** one hundred percent (100%) of the wages paid to such employees during the approved absence.
 - (d) Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

- (e) Where an employee is partially absent on a regularly scheduled day of work due to Union Business, the Employer will only reduce the EFT by the amount of hours within the available work period that the employee was unavailable.
- **I 16:02** (a) For time spent with Employer representatives during collective bargaining, the Union will be allowed to have no more than two (2) employees present at each bargaining session on a time-off with pay basis.
 - (b) Prior to the commencement of negotiations, the Union shall supply the Employer with a list of employee representatives for the purpose of collective bargaining. Dependent upon operational requirements, requested leave for such employees shall not be unreasonably denied.
 - (c) Subject to the mutual agreement of the parties, the total number of employees referred to in both (a) and (b) above may be changed provided any additional employees are on leave without pay or on wage recovery as per Article I 16:01(c).
- I 16:03 The Employer agrees to allow the Union use of space on existing bulletin boards for the purpose of posting official Union information relating to business affairs, meetings, and social events provided the information does not contain anything that is adverse to the interests of the Employer. The Employer shall have the right to refuse to post or remove the posting of any information.
- **I 16:04** Union staff members shall not visit employees at their place of work unless prior approval has been obtained from the employee's supervisor.

Article I 17 Union Security

I 17:01 During the term of this Agreement, employees covered by this Agreement, whether members of the Union or not, shall pay to the Union, by payroll deduction, an amount equal to the bi-weekly membership dues determined by the Union. For new employees, the payroll deduction of the amount as set out above shall become effective on the first day of the bi-weekly pay period following the date the employee is covered under the terms of this Agreement.

- I 17:02 The Employer shall forward to the Union the amount of the dues deducted under Article I 17:01 above on a bi-weekly basis per each applicable bi-weekly pay period system.
- I 17:03 The Employer shall provide the Union, on a bi-weekly basis per each applicable bi-weekly pay period system, the names of the employee from whose wages dues have been deducted showing opposite each employee's name, bargaining unit, classification, work location, home address, rate of pay, and the amount of dues deducted for that employee.
- I 17:04 The personal information as identified in Article I 17:03 may only be used by the Union for the purpose of communicating with the members. The Union acknowledges that it shall have in place reasonable administrative and physical safeguards to ensure the confidentiality and security of personal information. The Union further agrees that when disposing of or storing this information, it shall take care that this information is transported, stored, or destroyed in a secure manner.
- I 17:05 The Union agrees to indemnify and save the Employer harmless against any claim or liability arising out of the application of this Article except for any claim or liability arising out of an error committed by the Employer.
- I 17:06 The Employer will provide the Union with a monthly list of names and work locations of all new hires and terminations.
- I 17:07 When a new employee is hired, the Union may request up to fifteen (15) minutes during normal working hours to meet with the new employee for the purpose of acquainting her with the Union.
- I 17:08 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, the Employer shall not later than ninety (90) days preceding the expiry date of this Agreement, furnish in written form to the Union the following:
 - (a) The name of each employee;
 - (b) The classification of each employee;
 - (c) The current rate of pay of each employee.

Article I 18 Rights of Stewards

- **I 18:01** "Steward" means an employee elected or appointed by the Union who is authorized to represent the Union, an employee or both.
- **I 18:02** The Employer recognizes the Union's right to select stewards to represent employees.
- I 18:03 The Union agrees to provide the Employer with a list of stewards and any subsequent changes for each work location. The Union shall provide appropriate identification for stewards.
- **I 18:04** Stewards and employees shall not conduct Union business during their working time.
- I 18:05 Where a steward considers that an urgent complaint requires immediate investigation, he shall notify the Union office in order that a Staff Representative may be assigned to the matter.
- **I 18:06** Where it is necessary for a steward to attend a grievance hearing, the steward shall first obtain permission from the Employer at least three (3) days in advance of the hearing.
- I 18:07 The Union shall determine the number of stewards and the jurisdiction of each steward having regard to the plan of organization, the distribution of employees at the workplace and the administrative structure implied by the grievance procedure.
- **I 18:08** The duties of the stewards shall be to investigate complaints of an urgent nature and to investigate and present grievances in accordance with the grievance procedure.
- I 18:09 For complaints of an urgent nature, a steward shall first obtain the permission of the steward's immediate supervisor before leaving work to investigate such complaint with the employee and supervisor concerned. Such permission shall not be unreasonably sought or withheld. On resuming the steward's normal duties, the steward shall notify the steward's supervisor.

I 18:10 When it is necessary for a steward to investigate a complaint or grievance during working hours, no deduction in salary shall be made from the steward or employee concerned, provided that each has obtained approval from their supervisor(s) for the time required to deal with the complaint or grievance. On resuming their duties, the steward and employee shall notify their supervisor(s).

Article I 19 Grievance Procedure

- I 19:01 A grievance shall be defined as any dispute arising out of interpretation, application or alleged violation of the Agreement.
- I 19:02 An earnest effort shall be made to settle grievances fairly and equitably in the following manner, however, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Employer or the Union from mutually agreeing to settle a dispute by any means other than those described in the following grievance procedures without prejudice to their respective positions.
- I 19:03 Local Union representatives, upon request to their immediate supervisor and subject to operational requirements, shall be granted necessary time off without loss of pay to meet with the Employer for the purpose of processing grievances. Such permission shall not be unreasonably withheld.

I 19:04 Step 1

- (a) Within twenty (20) working days after the date upon which the employee was notified orally or in writing, or on which the employee first became aware of the action or circumstances giving rise to the grievance, the employee shall present the grievance with the redress requested to the Team Manager or designate:
- (b) The Team Manager or designate shall sign for receipt of the grievance and issue a decision in writing to the employee and to the Union within fifteen (15) working days.
- (c) The Team Manager or designate may hold a hearing to discuss the grievance with the employee and the employee's representative before giving a decision on the grievance.

I 19:05 Step 2

- (a) If the grievance is not resolved satisfactory at Step 1, the employee shall submit the same grievance and the redress requested to the Community Area Director or designate within fifteen (15) working days of the receipt of the decision at Step 1.
- (b) The Community Area Director or designate shall sign for the receipt of the grievance and issue a decision in writing to the employee and to the Union with fifteen (15) working days of receipt of the grievance.
- (c) For those grievances defined in accordance with Article I 19:02, the Community Director or designate may hold a hearing to discuss the grievance with the employee and the employee's representative before giving a decision on the grievance.
- I 19:06 Failing settlement of the grievance within seven (7) days after submission under Article I 19:05, the Union may within the ensuing ten (10) days submit the grievance in writing to the Human Resources Director (rural)/Community Director (WRHA) or designate who shall, within seven (7) days after the receipt of the grievance, render a decision in writing. (Step 2).

The foregoing time limits may be extended by written mutual agreement between the Employer and the Union.

I 19:07 An employee claiming to be discharged or suspended without just cause may submit a grievance at Step 2 within ten (10) working days of the date the employee becomes aware of the action directly to the Human Resources Director (rural)/Community Director (WRHA) or designate.

The foregoing time limit may be extended by written mutual agreement between the Employer and the Union.

If a dispute involving a question of general application or interpretation occurs and affects a group of employees, the Union or the employees may submit the grievance directly to the **Human Resources Director (rural)**/Community Director (WRHA) **or designate**.

- **I 19:09** An employee may choose to be accompanied by a local Union representative at any stage of the grievance procedure.
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Article I 20 Arbitration Procedure

I 20:01 Within ten (10) days after receiving the Human Resources Director (rural)/
Community Director (WRHA) or designate's reply and failing a satisfactory settlement, either party may refer the dispute to arbitration by giving notice to the other party in writing. Union approval is required to submit any Union grievance to arbitration.

The foregoing time limits may be extended by written mutual agreement between the Employer and the Union.

- I 20:02 The board shall determine its own procedures but shall provide full opportunity to all parties to present evidence and make representations. The board shall hear and determine the differences or allegations and render a decision within ten (10) days from the time it holds its final meeting.
- I 20:03 Unless both parties agree to a sole arbitrator within ten (10) working days following the matter being referred to arbitration, each party shall in the next ten (10) working days give notice to the other party in writing naming its nominee to the arbitration board.
- I 20:04 The parties hereto agree that an employee of the Regional Health Authority and a staff member of the Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union shall not be eligible for appointment as a member of the Arbitration Board or to act as a member of the Arbitration Board.
- **I 20:05** The two (2) named members of the board shall within ten (10) days name a third member of the board who shall be chairperson.
- **I 20:06** In the event of a failure to agree to a third person, the Minister of Labour for the Province of Manitoba shall be requested to appoint a third member.

- I 20:07 The arbitration board or the sole arbitrator shall not be empowered to make any decision inconsistent with the provisions of the Agreement or to modify or amend any portion of this Agreement.
- I 20:08 The decision of the majority or the sole arbitrator shall be the decision of the board. Where there is no majority decision, the decision of the chairperson shall be the decision of the board. The decision of the board of arbitration or the sole arbitrator shall be final and binding and enforceable on all parties and may not be changed.
- I 20:09 Within five (5) days of receipt of the award, should the parties disagree as to the meaning of the decision of the board or the sole arbitrator either party may apply to the chairperson of the board of arbitration or sole arbitrator to reconvene. Within five (5) days the board of arbitration or the sole arbitrator shall reconvene to clarify the decision.

I 20:10 Expenses of the Board

Each party shall pay:

- (a) The fees and expenses of the arbitrator it appoints,
- (b) One-half $(\frac{1}{2})$ the fees and expenses of the chairperson or sole arbitrator.
- **I 20:11** Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude settlement of a grievance by mutual agreement in any manner whatsoever.
- **I 20:12** The time limits in both the grievance and arbitration procedures may be extended by mutual agreement and shall be confirmed in writing.
- **I 20:13** For purposes of determining the lengths of time in the foregoing procedure, Saturdays, Sundays and recognized holidays are excluded.
- I 20:14 Employees who are subpoenaed to appear at an arbitration hearing related to this Collective Agreement shall be given necessary time off work. The party, which called him/her, either the Employer or MGEU, shall be responsible for compensating him or her for any salary which would otherwise be lost.

Article I 21 Contracting Out

- I 21:01 The Employer will give all reasonable consideration to continued employment with the Regional Health Authority of employees who would otherwise become redundant because work is contracted out.
- **I 21:02** Where work is to be contracted out which would result in the redundancy of employees in the bargaining unit, then the following procedure shall apply:
 - (a) The Employer will provide the Union with one hundred twenty (120) days' notice;
 - (b) During the notice period the parties shall meet to facilitate potential retraining and/or re-deployment opportunities.

Article I 22 Technological Change

- I 22:01 The Employer agrees that it will endeavour to introduce technological change in a manner which, as much as is practicable, will minimize the disruptive effects on services to the public and employees.
- I 22:02 The provisions of this Article are intended to assist employees affected by technological change and Sections 83, 84 and 85 of The Labour Relations Act do not apply during the term of this Agreement.
- I 22:03 Where, as a result of technological change, new or greater skills are required than are already possessed by affected employees under the present methods of operations, such employees shall, at the expense of the Employer, be given a training period during which they may acquire the skills necessitated by the new method of operation. There shall be no reduction in wage or salary rates during the training period of any such employee.
- I 22:04 Section 82 (1) through 85 (2) inclusive of The Labour Relations Act shall apply "mutatis mutandis".
- I 22:05 For purposes of this Article, Technological Change means the introduction into the Employer's operation of new equipment or materials which are likely to affect the security of employment of a significant number of employees.

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- **I 22:07** Where the Employer intends to introduce technological change, the following procedure will be followed:
 - (a) The Employer will provide the Union with one hundred eighty (180) days' notice prior to the date the change is to be effective;
 - (b) During this period, the parties will meet to discuss the steps to be taken to assist the employees who could be affected;
 - (c) Sections 83, 84, and 85 of The Labour Relations Act do not apply during the term of this Agreement.

Article I 23 Respectful Workplace/No Discrimination/Harassment

- **I 23:01** The Employer's Respectful Workplace Policy shall be accessible to all employees.
- I 23:02 The parties hereto agree that all employees are entitled to a respectful and safe workplace, and there shall be no discrimination, harassment, coercion or interference exercised or practiced with respect to any employee by reason of:
 - (a) Age;
 - (b) Sex, including sex-determined characteristics or circumstances, such as pregnancy, the possibility of pregnancy, or circumstances related to pregnancy;
 - (c) Marital status or family status;
 - (d) Ancestry, including colour and perceived race;
 - (e) Religion or creed, or religious belief, religious association or religious activity;
 - (f) Nationality or national origin;
 - (g) Ethnic background or origin;
 - (h) Political belief, political association or political activity;

- (i) Sexual orientation;
- (j) Gender identity;
- (k) Physical or mental disability, or related characteristics or circumstances, including reliance on a service animal, a wheelchair, or any other remedial appliance or device;
- (l) Social disadvantage;
- (m) Source of income;
- (n) Or membership or non-membership in the Union or activities in the Union, except as may be allowed under the Manitoba Human Rights Code.

I 23:03 Harassment

The Employer and the Union agree that no form of harassment shall be condoned in the workplace and it is further agreed that both parties will work together in recognizing and dealing with such problems, should they arise. Situations involving harassment shall be treated in strict confidence by both the Employer and the Union.

The definition of harassment shall consist of the definition contained in the Human Rights Code and shall further include the definition of harassment as set out in the Health and Safety Regulations.

Employees are encouraged to review the Respectful Workplace Policy.

- I 23:04 The parties recognize that the problem of harassment, including sexual harassment may exist. However, the parties agree that harassment will not be tolerated in the workplace or in connection with the workplace. Situations involving allegations of harassment shall be treated in strict confidence by both the Employer and the Union.
- I 23:05 The employee may forward a written complaint marked "Personal and Confidential" alleging harassment directly to the Employer/Supervisor or Human Resource Director/Manager.
- I 23:06 The Employer agrees to investigate allegations of harassment and shall endeavour to resolve them in an expeditious and confidential manner.

- I 23:07 The alleged offender shall be entitled to notice of the complaint and shall be given opportunity to respond to the complaint.
- I 23:08 The Employer, after investigating the complaint, shall have the authority to:
 - (a) Dismiss the complaint; or
 - (b) Determine the appropriate discipline; and/or
 - (c) Take any action which in the Employer's opinion may be necessary. Where the Employer determines that a complaint may have been made for frivolous or vindictive reasons, the Employer shall have the authority to:
 - (a) Take disciplinary action against the complainant; and/or
 - (b) Take any action against the complainant which in the Employer's opinion may be necessary.

Article I 24 Health and Safety

- **I 24:01** The Employer shall in accordance with the objects and purposes of The Workplace Safety and Health Act:
 - (a) Ensure so far as is reasonably practicable, the safety, health and welfare at work of all his workers; and
 - (b) Comply with The Workplace Safety and Health Act and regulations.
- **I 24:02** The parties recognize the importance of establishing a Workplace Health and Safety Committee structure to enhance the ability of employees and the Employer to resolve health and safety concerns.
- I 24:03 A representative from the bargaining unit will represent the bargaining unit members on the Regional Health Authority Health and Safety Committee.

- I 24:04 The Employer and the Union agree that "violent or aggressive behaviour" shall not be condoned in the workplace and is further agreed that both parties will work together in recognizing and resolving such problems should they arise.
 - (a) When the Employer is aware that a client has a history of aggressive behaviour the Employer will make such information available to employees who provide service to those clients.
 - (b) Where such a program does not exist, the Employer shall develop a **Workplace Violence Prevention** Program. Prior to implementing such a program the Employer shall receive a recommendation from the Health and Safety Committee. Such a program will include instruction and dissemination of information.
- I 24:05 The Employer shall provide **information and** preventative measures for those employees who may come in contact with infectious diseases in the course of their employment. The provision of such preventative measures will be in accordance with established practise criteria within the **RHA**.
- I 24:06 An employee may refuse to perform work at a workplace where he has reasonable grounds to believe and does believe that the particular work is dangerous to his safety or health, or the safety and health of another employee or any other person.
- I 24:07 Where the employee refuses to work under Article I 24:06 he shall immediately report his refusal and the reasons therefore to his immediate supervisor. At no time shall the safety of the client be jeopardized. The Employer will ensure that those employees subsequently assigned to this work shall be made aware of the original refusal and the results of the ensuing investigation are shared with the worker.
- **I 24:08** The immediate supervisor in conjunction with the appropriate authorities will ensure that the employee is not required to continue working under dangerous conditions.

Article I 25 Civil Liability

- I 25:01 If an action or proceeding is brought against any employee covered by this Agreement for an alleged tort committed by the employee in the performance of the employee's duties, except in instances of gross negligence, then:
 - (a) The employee, upon being served with any legal process, or upon receipt of any action or proceeding as hereinbefore referred to, being commenced against the employee shall advise the Employer of any such notification or legal process;
 - (b) The Employer shall pay any damages or costs awarded against any such employee in any such action or proceedings and all legal fees; and/or
 - (c) Where a settlement has been approved by the Employer through the CEO or designate, the Employer shall pay any sum required to be paid by such employee in connection with the settlement of any claim made against such employee provided the conduct of the employee which gave rise to the action did not constitute gross negligence of the employee's duty as an employee;
- I 25:02 In accordance with Article I 25:01, the Employer or Employer's Insurance Provider shall appoint counsel. The Employer accepts full responsibility for the conduct of the action and the employee agrees to cooperate fully with appointed counsel.

Article I 26 Court Leave

- I 26:01 An employee who is summoned for jury duty or who receives a summons or subpoena to appear as a witness in a court proceeding, other than a court proceeding occasioned by the employee's private affairs, shall be granted a leave of absence with pay for the required period and all jury or witness fees received by the employee shall be remitted to the Regional Health Authority.
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Article I 27 Labour Management Committee

- I 27:01 A Labour Management Committee will be established and maintained in the Regional Health Authority. This committee shall consist of **no more than** three (3) representatives of the Regional Health Authority and three (3) representatives of the Union unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the parties in the committee's Terms of Reference. Except by mutual agreement the committee shall meet quarterly for the purpose of discussing issues relating to the workplace which affect the parties.
- I 27:02 The committee may make recommendations to the Union and the Regional Health Authority with respect to its discussions and conclusions, but shall not have jurisdiction over wages, or any matter of the Collective Agreement. The committee shall not supersede the activities of any other committee of the Union or of the Regional Health Authority and it does not have the power to bind either the Union or its members or the Regional Health Authority to its discussions or conclusions.
- I 27:03 The committee shall have two (2) co-chairpersons, one (1) chosen by and from the management representatives and one (1) chosen by and from the employee representatives. The co-chairpersons shall alternate the function of chairing the meetings of the committee and may participate fully in the deliberations and the discussions of the committee.
- **I 27:04** Employees appointed by and acting on behalf of the Union shall receive basic pay for time spent at Labour Management Committee meetings.
- I 27:05 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

Article I 28 Inclement Weather

I 28:01 When an employee is unable to attend at work due to whiteout/blizzard conditions as declared by Environment Canada or the Employer, or due to road closures as declared by police agencies or the Department of Highways, the employee shall receive first preference based on seniority for additional available hours within their community office. If such hours are available during the following two (2) consecutive bi-weekly pay periods, to work

any hours missed. Where the scheduling of such additional available hours cannot be accommodated or the employee chooses not to accept additional hours, the employee shall be entitled to use available vacation credits, banked time or overtime to offset lost hours.

I 28:02 When an employee is able to attend at work at the commencement of the employee's shift assignment in spite of inclement weather as outlined in Article I 28:01, but is unable to complete the full shift assignment, due to those conditions, the employee will report to their community office and will be reassigned to alternate work as is available. If such alternate work is not available, the employee shall be paid for the employee's full shift assignment as long as the employee has completed fifty percent (50%) or more of their scheduled hours. Where the employee has not completed fifty percent (50%) or more of their scheduled hours, the employee will only be paid for hours worked and shall be entitled to use available vacation credits, banked time, or overtime to offset lost hours.

Article I 29 Loss Of or Damage To Personal Effects

- I 29:01 In recognition of the fact that during the performance of their duties, employees may have their clothing or other personal property damaged, the Employer agrees to make comparable compensation, providing established Employer procedures and policies have been followed and proof of purchase of the replacement item is submitted.
- I 29:02 No claims for compensation will be considered where an employee has or will receive adequate compensation from insurance or otherwise for the loss or theft of or damage to the employee's tools, equipment or personal effects, or for luxury items.
- I 29:03 Employees are responsible for any personal effects which are brought to their place of work and are not specifically required in the course of their employment; and no claim for compensation will be considered for loss or theft of or damage to such personal effects.

Article I 30 Job Descriptions and Job Classifications

- I 30:01 The Employer agrees to provide the Union with job descriptions for all classifications for which the Union is the bargaining agent, within six (6) months of ratifying this Collective Agreement.
- I 30:02 Where a new classification is created within the bargaining unit, or an existing classification is changed significantly, the Employer shall provide the Union with a copy of the new or revised job description. The Union and the Employer shall negotiate the rate of pay. Failing agreement on the appropriate rate of pay, the dispute may be referred to arbitration in accordance with the arbitration Article.
- I 30:03 If the salary range of a new or revised classification is adjusted as per Article I 30:02, such adjustment shall be retroactive to the date the new or revised classification came into effect.

Article I 31 Recruitment and Retention

I 31:01 Employees covered by the WRHA Home Care/Home Support Worker, WRHA Proctor and WRHA Home Visitors Collective Agreements shall be given consideration for available employment opportunities within the bargaining unit prior to external applicants, provided they meet the qualifications.

Article I 32 Probation

- I 32:01 All new full-time employees shall be on probation for three (3) calendar months with provision for an extension of the probationary period for another three (3) months, and all new part-time employees shall be on probation for six (6) calendar months from the day of their employment.
- I 32:02 An employee who is rejected during the probation period may grieve the rejection at Step 2 of the grievance procedure within fifteen (15) working days from the date the employee received notice of the rejection. The Human Resources Director (rural)/Community Director (WRHA) or designate shall hold a hearing to discuss the grievance with the employee. The employee

- has the option to have a representative present. The decision at Step 2 shall be final for such grievance(s).
- **I 32:03** Subject to **Article I 32:02**, the rejection on probation of an employee is neither grievable nor arbitral.
- I 32:04 An employee who is being rejected during the employee's probation period shall be provided with two (2) weeks' notice or payment in lieu thereof.

Article I 33 Conduct of Employees

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Article I 34 Retroactive Wages

I 34:01 Retroactive pay will be paid to all employees working during the retroactivity period. Staff who do not currently work for the Employer are required to request such retroactivity pay in writing.

Retroactive pay will be processed as soon as possible following ratification of the settlement by both parties and the provision of the approved wage scales to the Employer. The anticipated timelines for processing of retroactive pay will be communicated to all current employees in an appropriate format.

Wherever possible, retroactive pay will be made by separate cheque.

Article I 35 Rehabilitation, Return to Work and Accommodation

- **I 35:01** The Employer and the Union agree to actively participate and facilitate the rehabilitation and return to work of ill, injured or disabled employees.
 - (a) The Employer and the Union are committed to reasonable accommodation in a manner that respects the dignity and privacy of the employee.Reasonable accommodation is the shared responsibility of the employees, the Employer and the Union.
 - (b) When a need to accommodate is identified, the parties agree to work cooperatively to investigate and identify accommodation that is substantial, meaningful and reasonable to the point of undue hardship.

(c) Where necessary, relevant provisions of the Collective Agreement may, by mutual agreement between the Union and the Employer, be waived.

Article I 36 More Than One Position

- I 36:01 Part-time employees shall be eligible to apply for and occupy more than one (1) part-time position with the Employer. It is understood that at no time will the arrangement result in additional cost to the Employer. Where it is determined that it is not feasible for the employee to work in more than one (1) position, the employee will have the option of assuming the position applied for and relinquishing their former position.
- I 36:02 At no time shall the sum of the positions occupied exceed the equivalent of one (1) EFT, however, it is recognized that daily hours of work may be exceeded, by mutual agreement between the Employer, the employee and the Union.
- **I 36:03** Where the sum of the positions occupied equals one (1) EFT, the status of the employee will continue to be part-time (i.e. status will not be converted to full-time).
- I 36:04 All salary-based benefits, i.e. Group Life, Pension, D&R, as applicable, will be combined and calculated on the basis of the total of all active positions occupied.
- I 36:05 All accrued employee benefits, i.e. vacation, income protection, shall be maintained and utilized on the basis of the total of all active positions occupied.
- **I 36:06** Requests for scheduling of vacation, paid or unpaid leaves of absence, etc. shall be submitted to each individual supervisor/manager, and will be considered independently, based on the operational requirements of that area.
- I 36:07 Employees taking on an additional position will be subject to a six (6) month trial period in that position. If, during the trial period, the applicant is found by the Employer to be unsatisfactory in her new position, she shall relinquish that position.

I 36:08 Where an approved arrangement is later found to be unworkable, the affected employee will be required to relinquish one (1) of the positions occupied.

Article I 37 Leave of Absence

- I 37:01 Leaves of absence with or without pay may be granted for a period for a good and sufficient reason at the discretion of the Employer. Except in emergency circumstances, all requests for leave of absence must be made in writing to the department head at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance, specifying the reason for requested leave and the proposed dates of departure and return.
- I 37:02 The leave request will be considered on an individual basis and may be allowed at the discretion of the Employer, giving consideration of the reason for the request and the operational requirements. The Employer shall notify the employee of her/his decision in writing within one (1) week of receipt of the request.
- I 37:03 (a) An employee who is granted a leave of absence for six (6) months or less, will be returned to her former classification at her former increment step.
 - (b) An employee who is granted leave of absence between six (6) months and one (1) year will be returned to her former classification at her former increment step.
 - (c) An employee who is granted a leave of absence for a period of over one (1) year, will be assured preferential consideration as to placement in a vacancy most similar to the position held prior to the leave of absence, and at the increment level received prior to the leave of absence.
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Article I 38 Remoteness Allowance

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Memorandum of Agreement #I-1

between

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

and

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union Representing Families First Home Visitors

Re: Representative Workforce

The parties understand that Aboriginal persons are significantly under-represented in the health care labour force and that additional actions are needed to promote and facilitate employment of Aboriginal persons in health care occupations at all levels. It is therefore mutually agreed that the undersigned parties will work in cooperation to:

- (a) Develop strategic initiatives and programs that:
 - Foster mutual respect, trust, fairness, open communication and understanding;
 - Focus on recruiting, training and career development of Aboriginal workers;
 - Identify workplace barriers that may be discouraging or preventing Aboriginal workers from entering and remaining in the workforce;
 - Facilitate constructive race and cultural relations.
- (b) Promote and publicize initiatives undertaken to encourage, facilitate and support the development of a representative workforce.

Implement education opportunities for all employees to promote cultural awareness of Aboriginal peoples. This will include enhanced orientation sessions for new employees to ensure better understanding of respectful work practices to achieve a harassment free environment.

Signed this 21 day of June	, 2017
On behalf of Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	On behalf of Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union
On behalf of Winnipeg Regional	On behalf of Manitoba Government
Health Authority	and General Employees' Union

Memorandum of Agreement #I-2

between

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

and

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union Representing Families First Home Visitors

Re: Funding Opportunities for Training

The parties agree that should provincial/federal funding opportunities for training become available, the parties will meet to review such opportunities and consider making application for same.

Section II

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Section III

Families First Home Visitor 1 and 2

Article III 1 Hours of Work

- **III 1:01** Regular hours of work for full-time employees will be:
 - (a) Seven and one-quarter (7¹/₄) hours per day;
 - (b) Thirty-six and one-quarter (361/4) hours per week.
- **III 1:02** Regular hours of work shall:
 - (a) Exclude a meal period of forty-five (45) minutes duration each day;
 - (b) Include two (2) rest periods of fifteen (15) minutes each day at a time to be determined by the Employer
- III 1:03 (a) Upon mutual agreement between the Employer and a Home Visitor, employees may work an extended/alternate workday in order to provide direct service to the public (such as meetings with clients, community groups). The extended/alternate day shall not exceed eleven (11) hours, exclusive of meal breaks. All hours worked on an extended/alternate workday shall be used to effect a shorter work week and shall be taken back within four (4) weeks following the date on which the extended/alternate day occurred. Overtime does not apply to a Home Visitor working extended/alternate days.
 - (b) Where an employee has scheduled and attempts a visit outside of their regular working hours, and the visit is cancelled without the employee being notified, then provided the schedule was authorized or approved by the manager prior to the scheduling of the visit outside of regular hours, the worker will be paid:
 - (i) For the actual scheduled visit time at the employee's regular hourly rate where the visit was to be for less than three (3) hours.
 - (ii) Where the scheduled visit was for three (3) hours or more the employee shall be paid their regular hourly rate for three (3) hours.
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- III 1:09 An employee who is required by the Employer to attend a staff meeting outside of his or her scheduled working hours shall be paid the greater of time actually spent at the meeting, or one and one-half (1½) hours pay at the employee's regular rate of pay.
- III 1:10 An employee required by the Employer to attend a course for the purpose of recertifying an existing condition of employment or where the Employer has identified a new required condition of employment, the employee shall be granted time off with pay and the cost of hotel, mileage, meals, and the cost of the course (if applicable) shall be covered by the Employer up to the current approved maximums. If the course is scheduled on the employee's day off, the employee shall be paid, regardless of the number of hours the employee has worked in that pay period, for hours required to be in attendance at the course, a straight time, or the number of hours off at a mutually agreed upon time.

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Article III 2 Overtime

- III 2:01 (a) An employee authorized by the Employer and required to work in excess of their normal daily or biweekly hours for their classification shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half times (1½x) the employee's basic rate of pay for the first three (3) hours and two times (2x) the employee's basic rate of pay for all hours worked thereafter.
 - Except in emergency situations, a supervisor shall endeavour to assign overtime work as equitably as possible amongst those employees qualified to perform the work.
 - (b) An employee who is required to work on the employee's day of rest shall receive compensation at double time (2x) for all time worked except as per III 2:03 and III 2:04.

- (c) Overtime may be banked to a maximum of no more than eighty (80) hours per fiscal year.
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- III 2:02 An employee, if called out or scheduled to work additional hours, shall receive for the work a minimum payment equivalent to three (3) hours at the applicable overtime rate provided that the period of overtime worked by the employee is not contiguous to the employee's scheduled working hours. A meal break shall not be regarded as affecting contiguity.

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- III 2:04 (a) Overtime worked on the employee's first day of rest shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half times (1½x) the employee's basic rate of pay for the first three (3) hours and two times (2x) the employee's basic rate of pay for all hours worked thereafter.
 - (b) Overtime worked on the employee's second day of rest shall be paid at the rate of two times (2x) the employee's basic rate of pay.
- III 2:05 An employee who works at least three (3) consecutive hours of overtime contiguous to a regular work day shall be entitled to a meal allowance of four dollars and twenty-five cents (\$4.25).
- III 2:06 Subject to Article III 2:01 at the employee's option, overtime shall be compensated by paying the employee for all time worked at the applicable rate or by granting the employee equivalent time off in lieu thereof.
 - (a) Where an employee has chosen to receive time off in lieu of payment for overtime, arrangements in respect thereof shall be completed to the mutual agreement of the employee and the authorized supervisor within sixty (60) calendar days following the end of the bi-weekly pay period in which the overtime was worked. Where mutual agreement has not been reached within the sixty (60) calendar day period, the employee shall receive payment. When payment is made, it shall be at the rate of pay in effect for the employee at the time when the overtime was worked.

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- III 2:08 Overtime worked as a result of the changeover from Daylight Savings
 Time to Central Standard Time shall be deemed to be authorized
 overtime and the employee will be paid only for actual hours worked on
 the changeover from Central Standard Time to Daylight Savings Time.
- III 2:09 Every reasonable effort shall be made to ensure that all overtime work is distributed equitably amongst employees who are able to perform the required duties.
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Article III 3 Trial Periods/Probation

- **III 3:01** Subject to **Article III 3:02**, all promotions and voluntary transfers are subject to a six (6) month **trial** period.
- **III 3:02** An employee shall not be required to serve a further probation/**trial** period when:
 - (a) The employee is promoted without competition as a result of reclassification of the employee's position; or
 - (b) The **employee**/employer initiates a transfer to a position in the same classification involving similar duties and responsibilities.
- III 3:03 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.
- **III 3:04** During the **trial** period, if the employee proves to be unsatisfactory in the new position or if she wishes to revert voluntarily, she shall be returned to her former classification and rate of pay without loss of seniority.
 - Conditional upon satisfactory performance, the employee shall be declared permanent after the probation period.
- III 3:05 An employee who is temporarily appointed to another position on an acting basis is not considered to be on a trial period/probation. If the employee is subsequently promoted to that position, the period during

- which the employee was in acting status does not count towards the employee's trial period/probation.
- **III 3:06** An employee who is being rejected during the employee's probation period shall be provided with two (2) weeks' notice or payment in lieu thereof.
- **III 3:07** The period of probation is based on calendar service. Notwithstanding any provision of the Collective Agreement, this period may be extended by the Employer for any reason provided twelve (12) months' probation is not exceeded.
- III 3:08 An employee, other than a term employee, who accepts a term position will be returned to her former position at the completion of the term position if reasonably possible. An employee not returned to her former position shall be returned to her former occupational classification and employment status.
- **III 3:09** Employees will be advised of their employment status at the time of their commencement of employment and at the time of any subsequent change.

Article III 4 Change of Work Headquarters

- III 4:01 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.
- **III 4:02** The Employer shall provide ten (10) days' notice to an employee when the Employer initiates a permanent transfer of the employee from one work location to another.
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Article III 5 Layoff

III 5:01 In the event of a layoff, employees other than probationary and temporary employees shall receive two (2) weeks' notice or pay in lieu of such notice.

- III 5:02 The Employer shall determine the classification from which a layoff is to occur. Employees shall be laid off in reverse order of seniority providing the qualifications of the employees are relatively equal.
- III 5:03 An employee who is laid off shall be entitled to exercise her seniority to bump into any classification within the scope of this Agreement with the same or lower salary range, provided she possesses the qualifications and ability sufficient to perform the required work, or she may choose to accept layoff. Any employee thus displaced shall have the same rights.
- **III 5:04** Notice of layoff shall be given by personal service or by registered mail to the employee and a copy of the notice will be provided to the Union.
- **III 5:05** An employee who is on layoff shall not be entitled to notice of layoff when she returns to work on an incidental basis.
- **III 5:06** No new employee shall be hired to fill vacancies when employees who are eligible for recall are qualified, able, and available to fill the vacancy except in an emergency.
- III 5:07 Employees on layoff are to be recalled in order of seniority. Such recall shall be made by registered mail, and shall provide for a minimum of one (1) weeks' notice to report back to work. The employee is required to contact the Employer within one (1) week of such notice, confirming her intention to return to work as scheduled. The employee shall return to work within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the notification. An employee who declines to return to a position comparable to that held prior to layoff, without reasonable cause, shall be considered terminated.
- III 5:08 An employee recalled to work in a different classification from which she was laid off shall have the right to return to the position she held prior to the layoff should it become vacant within one (1) year of being called back and such vacancy shall not be subject to the job posting procedure.
- III 5:09 To be eligible for recall, prior to the employee's last shift worked, the employee must provide the Employer with her current address, and further, must inform the Employer of any address changes.

- III 5:10 An employee who exercises her seniority rights shall be entitled to a four (4) week familiarization period. In the event that the employee cannot function effectively in the position at the conclusion of the familiarization period, she shall be placed directly onto layoff status and the person originally displaced from the position shall, if not yet recalled, be returned to the position.
- III 5:11 The right of an employee who has been laid off toe be rehired under this Agreement will be forfeited in the following circumstances:
 - (a) If the person did not communicate with the Employer as specified; and
 - (b) If the person did not report to work when instructed to do so and fails to provide a written explanation satisfactory to the Employer.
 - (c) A twelve (12) month period has elapsed since the initial date of layoff.
- **III 5:12** Laid off employees shall be entitled to apply for job vacancies other than those to which they have recall rights.
- **III 5:13** Accumulated vacation entitlement shall be paid out at time of layoff, unless the parties agree otherwise.
- **III 5:14** Employees who are absent from work due to an approved leave of absence shall be advised of layoff in accordance with this Agreement and shall be required to comply with all provisions of this Agreement except that they shall not be expected to return to work prior to the expiry of their leave of absence.
- III 5:15 Where an employee alleges that the employee's layoff has not been in accordance with this Agreement, the grievance procedure set forth in this Agreement shall apply except that the grievance shall be initiated at the second step of the procedure.
- III 5:16 For purposes of this Article, "qualifications" refers to education, knowledge, training, skills, experience, aptitude, and competence. "Ability" refers to mental and physical capability. The Employer, in making a decision with respect to determining which employees are to be retained and which employees are to be laid off, shall determine qualifications, and the ability of employees to perform the duties which the remaining employees will be required to perform, in a fair, reasonable, and non-discriminatory manner. The onus of proof rests with the

Employer in any dispute over the application of qualifications and ability to perform the duties which the remaining employees will be required to perform.

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Article III 6 Severance Pay

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Article III 7 Pre-retirement Leave

III 7:01 This Article is applicable to employees on staff on October 3, 2006.

A full-time employee who retires at or after age fifty-five (55) with ten (10) or more years of service, or at any time due to permanent disability, or when the employee's years of age and length of continuous employment total eighty (80) or more, shall be granted four (4) days of paid pre-retirement leave per year of service or portion thereof.

III 7:02 Payment of Pre-Retirement Leave

- (a) Payment shall, at the option of the employee, be made in a lump sum or as a continuation of salary until the scheduled retirement date is reached.
- (b) Where the employee chooses to take a lump sum payment, the last day worked shall be considered the retirement day and benefits shall cease on that day.

- (c) Where the employee chooses to take pre-retirement leave as a continuation of salary until the scheduled retirement date, all benefits shall continue until that date.
- (d) Employees who have worked on a part-time basis during their employment with the Employer shall receive a pro-rated portion of pre-retirement leave based on the actual hours worked as compared to those of a full-time employee.

Calculation of pre-retirement leave shall begin from the date of the employee's last commencing employment with the Employer and shall be based on the employee's total length of continuous employment as at the date of retirement.

Article III 8 Recognized Holiday

III 8:01 The following are recognized holidays:

New Year's Day Civic Holiday (first weekend in August)

Louis Riel Day Labour Day

Good Friday Thanksgiving Day
Easter Monday Remembrance Day

Victoria Day Christmas Day
Canada Day (July 1) Boxing Day

Any other holiday proclaimed by federal or provincial statute.

- (a) Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.
- (b) For all non-shift employees, where any of the recognized holidays fall on a Saturday or Sunday, the recognized holiday shall be observed on the following Monday. Where recognized holidays fall on both Saturday and Sunday, the recognized holidays shall be observed on the following Monday and Tuesday.

- **III 8:02** An employee will be eligible for pay for a recognized holiday on which the employee does not work provided the employee:
 - (a) Did not fail to report for work after having been scheduled to work on the day of the recognized holiday;
 - (b) Has not absented herself from work without the consent of the Employer on her regular working day immediately preceding or following the recognized holiday unless the absence is by reason of established illness.
- III 8:03 Notwithstanding Article III 8:02(b) an employee who is on an approved leave of absence without pay at the time of the recognized holiday shall be entitled to receive the employee's regular pay for the recognized holiday provided that the employee received pay for part or all of each day of at least fifteen (15) days during the thirty (30) calendar days immediately preceding the recognized holiday.
- III 8:04 If an employee who is not entitled to pay for a recognized holiday that falls on a regular working day for reasons as outlined in **Article III 8:02** does work on the recognized holiday, the employee shall be paid wages equivalent to one and one-half times (1½x) the employee's regular rate for the time worked on that day.
- III 8:05 Subject to Article III 8:07, and subject to the call-out provisions as provided in Article III 2:02, an employee who is required to work on the recognized holiday when it is observed on the employee's day of rest shall receive, in addition to the regular holiday pay to which the employee may be entitled, overtime compensation based on two times (2x) the employee's regular rate of pay for all overtime worked on the recognized holiday. Such overtime compensation is in lieu of the overtime compensation to which the employee would otherwise be eligible pursuant to Article III 2:10, for a day of rest.
- III 8:06 An employee shall be entitled to her regular pay for the recognized holidays listed in Article III 8:01, and when required to work on the recognized holiday, in addition to her regular pay, shall be compensated at one and one-half times (1½x) for all hours worked in the form of pay or compensatory leave.

- III 8:07 An employee who leaves the Employer, shall receive pay in lieu of the compensatory leave that has not been granted.
- III 8:08 Where a recognized holiday falls within the vacation period of an employee, one (1) additional working day shall be added to the employee's vacation entitlement in lieu of the statutory holiday.
 - (a) Wherever practicable, the Employer shall not require an employee to work past one o'clock in the afternoon (1:00 pm) on December 24 when that day falls on Monday through Friday. This day shall be considered a full work day for purposes of calculation.
 - (b) Where the Employer requires an employee to work a regular work day on December 24 falling on Monday through Friday, the employee shall receive one-half (½) day of compensatory leave with pay up to a maximum of four (4) hours.

Article III 9 Vacation

- **III 9:01** For purposes of this Agreement, a vacation year is the period beginning on April 1 and ending on March 31 of the next year.
- III 9:02 Employees shall earn vacation leave credits on the following basis:
 - (a) Employees who have completed less than two (2) years' service, one and one-quarter (1¹/₄) working days per complete month of service in each vacation year to be taken in the vacation year following the year in which the vacation is earned;
 - (b) Commencing from the beginning of the vacation year in which two (2) years of service will be completed, one and two-thirds (1²/₃) working days per complete month of service in each vacation year to be taken in the year in which three (3) years of service are completed and yearly thereafter;
 - (c) Commencing from the beginning of the vacation year in which nine (9) years of service will be completed, two and one-twelfth (2½) working days per complete month of service in each vacation year to be taken in the year in which ten (10) years of service are completed and yearly thereafter;

- (d) Commencing from the beginning of the vacation year in which nineteen (19) years of service will be completed, two and one-half (2½) working days per complete month of service in each vacation year to be taken in the year in which twenty (20) years of service are completed and yearly thereafter;
- (e) Notwithstanding Subsections (a), (b), (c) and (d), employees terminating in their second year of service shall have their vacation leave credits cashed-out at the rate of one and one-quarter (1½) days per complete month of service and employees terminating in their ninth year of service shall have their vacation leave credits cashed-out at the rate of one and two-thirds (1½) days per complete month of service, and employees terminating in their nineteenth year of service shall have their vacation leave credits cashed-out at the rate of two and one-twelfth (2½) days per complete month of service.

III 9:03 An employee shall accumulate vacation credits from date of employment.

- **III 9:04** (a) With the exception of the conditions referred to in **Article III 9:04(b)**, vacation leave may not be taken in advance of when it is earned.
 - (b) With the approval of the Employer, vacation leave up to a maximum of five (5) working days may be granted in advance to an employee in the employee's first twelve (12) months of service.
 - (c) Where operational requirements permit, vacation leave may be taken subject to the approval of the Employer.
 - (d) The Employer may authorize vacation to commence on any day.
 - (e) Subject to **Article III 9:04(b)** and **Article III 9:04(f)**, vacation leave shall be taken in the vacation year following the vacation year in which it is earned.
 - (f) The Employer may authorize that vacation leave be carried forward to the next following year to supplement the vacation period in that year, but in no case will a vacation carry-over be allowed which comprises more than one (1) previous year's vacation entitlement.

- (g) The Employer may authorize an employee to take vacation leave in two (2) or more periods.
- (h) An Employer, if it finds it necessary, may require an employee to take vacation leave in two (2) or more periods. Normally any such periods shall not be less than one (1) week in length.
- Vacation within the vacation year and as a result finds it necessary to restrict the whole or part of the vacation leave of an employee, the Employer may authorize payment in lieu of vacation. Such pay shall not be subject to deduction of pension fund contributions or life insurance contributions. An employee whose vacation leave has been restricted may, in lieu of receiving such pay, elect to carry over such vacation leave to the following year.
- **III 9:06** Subject to operational requirements, vacation leave shall be rotated regardless of seniority of employment.
- III 9:07 Where for any reason other than death, an employee leaves the service after having been granted more vacation leave than the employee has earned in accordance with this Agreement, the employee shall repay to the Employer all salary paid for such excess period of leave.
- **III 9:08** Where an employee dies, the employee's estate shall receive payment for the value of the employee's accumulated vacation credits.
- III 9:09 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.
- III 9:10 Where an employee is absent for up to one (1) year due to compensable illness or injury for which compensation is paid under The Workers Compensation Act, she shall continue to earn vacation credits.
- III 9:11 Where maternity and/or parental leave exceeds thirty-seven (37) weeks, the employee may elect to carry over to the next vacation year, up to five (5) days of current annual vacation (prorated for part-time). The balance of the current annual vacation will be paid out at a time immediately following the period during which EI benefits were payable (even if this period extends into the following vacation year).

Any vacation earned up to the time of the commencement of leave will be retained and will be available to be taken in the following vacation year.

Article III 10 Income Protection

- **III 10:01** Income protection is provided to an employee to protect her from loss of earnings to the extent of her earned income protection credits when she is incapacitated by illness, injury, quarantine or for an absence as a result of a claim that is pending a decision of the Workers Compensation Board.
- III 10:02 An employee shall earn income protection with pay credits calculated on the basis of one and one-quarter (1½) working days for each month of service. Part-time employees shall accumulate income protection credits on a pro-rata basis of regular hours worked.
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- **III 10:07** When an employee is unable to report to work due to illness or injury, she shall report this to her immediate supervisor, one (1) hour prior to the commencement of the shift or as soon thereafter as the means of communication permits.
- **III 10:08** Prior to returning to duty while on income protection, an employee shall inform her immediate supervisor of when she expects to return to duty.
- **III 10:09** The Employer reserves the right to require a medical certificate to substantiate an employee's claim for income protection or to determine an employee's fitness to perform her job.
- III 10:10 Where an employee becomes ill during the period of the employee's scheduled annual vacation, the Employer may grant income protection and credit the employee with alternate days' vacation equivalent to the number of days approved income protection providing the illness is over three (3) days and

requires hospitalization. The employee will be responsible to provide proof of hospitalization satisfactory to the Employer.

III 10:11 When an employee is unable to work and is in receipt of an income replacement indemnity (IRI) from Manitoba Public Insurance (MPI) as a result of an injury incurred in a vehicle accident, the employee may elect to be paid an additional amount, which when combined with the IRI benefit, shall ensure the maintenance of net salary consistent as if they were in receipt of regular income protection. Such additional amount shall be chargeable to the employee's income protection credits accrued at the time the employee commenced receipt of the IRI and such additional payment shall be payable until the employee's accrued income protection credits have been exhausted

III 10:12 An employee may use income protection for illness of a spouse, child, or parent.

- III 10:13 (a) Time off for medical, dental and chiropractic examinations or treatments, including reasonable travel time, shall be granted and such time off shall be chargeable against the employees accumulated income protection credits, providing the following conditions are met:
 - Whenever possible, appointments are to be made on the employee's day
 off or at a time when she is not on duty.
 - If the above is not possible, the employee will endeavour to make the appointment at a time which is least disruptive to service delivery.
 - (b) If the employee chooses a doctor, dentist or chiropractor outside of her community, such time off with pay will be granted to a maximum of three (3) hours. Increased time may be considered by the Employer in extenuating circumstances on an individual basis.
 - (c) Should it be necessary for an employee to attend a doctor, dentist or chiropractor outside of her community by reason of non-availability of service in her community the employee shall be allowed up to one (1) shift off with pay, to the extent that income protection credits have been

- accumulated, for the time necessary to attend such appointments to the nearest point of available service.
- **III 10:14** Days off and holidays which fall within the period of income protections shall not be considered a part of, or charged to the employee's accumulated income protection.

Article III 11 Workers Compensation

- **III 11:01** Where an employee is unable to work as a result of a compensable injury incurred in the course of performing regular duties that employee shall apply for Workers Compensation benefits.
- III 11:02 When an employee is unable to work and is in receipt of Workers

 Compensation allowance as a result of an injury incurred in the course of the employee's duties, the employee may elect to be paid an additional amount which, when combined with the compensation allowance, shall ensure the maintenance of net salary. Such additional amount shall be chargeable to the employee's income protection credits accrued at the time the employee commenced receipt of Workers Compensation allowances, and such additional payments shall be payable until the employee's income protection credits have been exhausted. Net salary shall be as determined by the Workers

 Compensation Board.
- III 11:03 Notwithstanding Article III 11:01, an employee's pay may only be "topped up" by ten percent (10%) of net salary.
- III 11:04 If at any time, it is decided by the Workers Compensation Board that the additional amount in **Article III 11:01** or **III 11:02** must be offset against benefits otherwise payable by the Workers Compensation Board, then such additional amount shall not be payable.
- III 11:05 Where an employee is absent due to injuries or disabilities for which compensation is paid under The Workers Compensation Act, vacation leave shall accumulate as if the employee were not absent, but the extent of such accumulation shall not continue beyond twelve (12) consecutive calendar months from the date the injury or disability occurred.

- III 11:06 Where an employee is injured on the job and is required to leave for medical treatment and/or is sent home by management due to the injury, the employee shall incur no loss in regular pay and benefits for the day on which the accident occurs.
- **III 11:07** Transportation to the nearest physician or hospital for employees requiring immediate medical care as a result of an on-the-job accident shall be provided by or at the expense of the Employer if it is not covered by a medical plan.

Article III 12 Maternity Leave

III 12:01 An employee who qualifies for maternity leave may apply for leave in accordance with either Plan A or Plan B but not both.

III 12:02 Plan A

Every pregnant employee:

- (a) Who has completed seven (7) continuous months of employment for or with the Employer;
- (b) Who submits to the Employer an application in writing for leave under this Article at least four (4) weeks before the day specified by her in the application as the day on which she intends to commence such leave; and
- (c) Who provides the Employer with a certificate of a duly qualified medical practitioner certifying that she is pregnant and specifying the estimated date of her delivery is entitled to and shall be granted maternity leave without pay consisting of a period not exceeding seventeen (17) weeks if delivery occurs on or before the date of delivery specified in the certificate mentioned above; or
- (d) Is entitled to a period of seventeen (17) weeks without pay plus an additional period equal to the period between the date of delivery specified in the certificate mentioned in (c) and the actual date of delivery, if delivery occurs after the date mentioned in that certificate;
- (e) The employer may vary the length of maternity leave upon proper certification by the attending physician.

- III 12:03 (a) An employee who has been granted maternity leave shall be permitted to apply up to a maximum of ten (10) days of her accumulated income protection against the Employment Insurance waiting period.
 - (b) Should the employee not return to work following her maternity leave and, where applicable, parental leave for a period of employment sufficient to allow for re-accumulation of the number of sick days granted under Subsection (a), the employee shall compensate the Employer for the balance of the outstanding days at the time of terminating. Approved income protection with pay granted during the period of return shall be counted as days worked.

III 12:04 Plan B

For employees who commence maternity leave on or after April 1, 2011.

In order to qualify for Plan B a pregnant employee must:

- (a) Have completed seven (7) continuous months of employment for or with the Employer;
- (b) Submit to the Employer an application in writing, for leave under Plan B at least four (4) weeks before the day specified by her in the application as the day on which she intends to commence such leave;
- (c) Provide the Employer with a certificate of a duly qualified medical practitioner certifying that she is pregnant and specifying the estimated date of her delivery;
- (d) Provide the Employer with proof that she has applied for Employment Insurance benefits and that Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) has agreed that the employee has qualified for and is entitled to such Employment Insurance benefits pursuant to Section 22, Employment Insurance Act.
- **III 12:05** An applicant for maternity leave under Plan B must sign an agreement with the Employer providing that:
 - (a) She will return to work and remain in the employ of the Employer on a full time basis for at least six (6) months following her return to work; and

- (b) If she does not take parental leave as provided in Article **I 15**, she will return to work on the date of the expiry of her maternity leave; and
- (c) If she does take parental leave as provided in Article **I 15**, she will return to work on the date of the expiry of her parental leave; and
- (d) Should she fail to return to work as provided above, she is indebted to the Employer for the full amount of pay received from the Employer as a maternity allowance during her entire period of maternity leave.
- **III 12:06** At the employee's request, the Employer may authorize an employee who has received maternity leave under Plan B to return to work on a part-time basis for a period of twelve (12) months.
- **III 12:07** An employee who qualifies is entitled to a maternity leave consisting of:
 - (a) A period not exceeding seventeen (17) weeks if delivery occurs on or before the date of delivery specified in the certificate mentioned in **Article III 12:04(c)**; or
 - (b) A period of seventeen (17) weeks plus an additional period equal to the period between the date of delivery specified in the certificate mentioned in **Article III 12:04(c)** and the actual date of delivery, if delivery occurs after the date mentioned in that certificate.
 - (c) The Employer may vary the length of maternity leave upon proper certification by the attending physician.
- **III 12:08** During the period of maternity leave, an employee who qualifies is entitled to a maternity leave allowance in accordance with the Supplementary Unemployment Benefit (SUB) plan as follows:
 - (a) For the first two (2) weeks an employee shall receive ninety-three percent (93%) of her weekly rate of pay;
 - (b) For up to a maximum of fifteen (15) additional weeks, payments equivalent to the difference between the Employment Insurance benefits the employee is eligible to receive and ninety-three percent (93%) of her weekly rate of pay;

- (c) All other time as may be provided under **Article III 12:08** shall be on a leave without pay basis.
- **III 12:09** Plan B does not apply to term employees.
- III 12:10 During the period of maternity leave, benefits will not accrue. However, the period of maternity leave times the pro-rating factor shall be credited as service towards eligibility for long service vacation and long service income protection entitlements. For calculation purposes the period of maternity leave shall not exceed seventeen (17) weeks.
- **III 12:11** Where an employee's anniversary date falls during the period of maternity leave under Plan A or B, the employee shall be eligible to receive a merit increase effective the date upon which she returns to her position of employment.
- **III 12:12** Sections 36 **(1)** through 36 **(11)** inclusive of the Employment Standards **Code** respecting maternity leave shall apply mutatis mutandis.
- III 12:13 Article left blank to maintain provincial numbering.

Article III 13 Seniority

- **III 13:01** "Seniority" shall be defined as the total accumulated regular hours paid from the last date the employee entered the bargaining unit.
- III 13:02 Seniority will continue to accrue if an employee:
 - (a) Is on any period of paid leave absence;
 - (b) Is on any period of paid income protection;
 - (c) Is on any period of paid vacation;
 - (d) Is on any period of unpaid leave of absence up to four (4) consecutive weeks;
 - (e) Is on any period of Workers Compensation of up to two (2) years;
 - (f) Is on any period of approved unpaid leave of absence for Union purpose of up to one (1) year;
 - (g) Is on an approved parenting leave.

III 13:03 Seniority will terminate if an employee:

- (a) Resigns;
- (b) Is discharged for just cause and not reinstated under the grievance or arbitration procedure;
- (c) Is laid off and fails to report for duty as instructed except where a laid off employee is required to give notice to another Employer or where the laid off employee fails to report due to illness and such illness is substantiated by a medical certificate;
- (d) Is laid off for more than twelve (12) months;
- (e) Fails to report for work as scheduled at the end of a leave of absence or suspension, without an explanation satisfactory to the Employer;
- (f) Is promoted or transferred out of the bargaining unit and has completed the trial period in the new position.
- (g) Is terminated at the expiry of the employee's term of employment. However, this Subsection does not apply to a term employee who has been employed on a full-time basis for twenty-four (24) continuous months and who is re-employed within twelve (12) months of the expiration of the employee's term of employment.

III 13:04 Seniority will be retained but will not accrue if an employee:

- (a) Is on unpaid leave of absence in excess of four (4) consecutive weeks;
- (b) Is absent on Workers Compensation and in receipt of the total and permanent disability benefit established by Workers Compensation;
- (c) Is laid off for less than twelve (12) months;
- (d) Is on the trial period of an out-of-scope position.
- III 13:05 Seniority lists shall be revised annually and shall be posted by January 31 in each of the community offices. A copy of the seniority list shall be provided to the Union.

The seniority list shall be prepared by the Employer at an effective date of the end date of the last pay period of the calendar year.

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Article III 14 Part-time Employees

III 14:01 Part-time employees shall be eligible only for the following benefits and on a pro-rata basis:

Hours worked at regular rate of pay in the preceding eight (8) weeks x Entitlement of a full-time employee Full-time hours

III 14:02 Income Protection

Part-time employees shall accumulate income protection credits on a pro-rata basis, in accordance with the above formula.

III 14:03 Part-time employees may claim payment from accumulated income protection credits only for those hours they were scheduled to work but were unable to work due to illness.

III 14:04 Vacation

Part-time employees shall earn vacation on a pro-rata basis in accordance with above formula.

- **III 14:05** Actual vacation entitlement will be based on years of service. Accumulated hours shall only govern rate of vacation pay for the current vacation year.
- **III 14:06** Unless otherwise mutually agreed between the employee and the Employer, part-time employees shall receive their entitled vacation over a period of time equivalent to the vacation period of a full-time employee.

III 14:07 Recognized Holidays

Part-time employees will be paid four point six two percent (4.62%) of their basic pay in lieu of time off on recognized holidays. Such holiday pay shall be included in each regular pay cheque

III 14:08 Overtime

Part-time employees shall be entitled to overtime rates when authorized to work in excess of the daily or biweekly hours of work specified in Article III 2.

III 14:09 Merit Increases

Salary increments for part-time employees will be granted after the completion of 1,000 regular of work in the preceding twelve (12) months and based on satisfactory service until the maximum of the appropriate salary schedule is attained.

III 14:10 Bereavement Leave

This leave shall be prorated using the prorating factor as outlined above.

III 14:11 Bereavement Leave, Compassionate, Court, Paternity, Adoptive Parent and Parental Leaves

- (a) These types of paid leave will be prorated by multiplying the number of days the employee would qualify for by the prorating factor.
- (b) In the case of adoptive parent leave and parental leave without pay, an employee is eligible for the full calendar time benefit, i.e. seventeen (17) weeks.

III 14:12 Maternity Leave

- (a) Regular part-time employees are eligible for maternity leave Plan A or Plan B in accordance with **Article III 12**.
- (b) To qualify for maternity leave, calendar service is used, i.e. seven (7) months.
- (c) An employee who qualifies is eligible for the full calendar time leave provided under the Agreement, i.e. seventeen (17) weeks.
- (d) For Plan A, the application of ten (10) days' sick leave towards the employment insurance waiting period will be on a pro-rata basis.
- (e) For Plan B, Employer payments will be based on the difference between the percentage of weekly earnings covered by employment insurance and ninety-three percent (93%) of the weekly earnings. Weekly earnings will be

as determined by Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) and will be subject to the Employment Insurance maximum.

Article III 15 Benefits

- **III 15:01** Employees transferred to the RHA from the Civil Service shall continue to be covered by the Civil Service Benefit Plans and the Superannuation Plan.
- **III 15:02** Employees hired after April 1, 1997, employed in classifications covered by **Section III** of this Agreement, shall be in receipt of benefits from the Health Employees Benefit Plans (HEBP). They will also be eligible to participate in the Health Employees' Pension Plan (HEPP).
- III 15:03 All MGEU members who were transitioned to the Regional Health Authorities from the Civil Service will remain in the Government of Manitoba benefit plans consistent with those in place in the Civil Service at the time of the employee's transition to the RHA. These Benefits programs include the Ambulance & Hospital Semi-Private (AHSP), Dental, Vision, Prescription Drugs, Extended Health, Travel Health, Long Term Disability (LTD) plans and Health Spending Account and employees will be grandparented to those plans for the duration of their employment.

All future changes to Benefit Plans negotiated in the Civil Service shall be applicable to the MGEU members who are grandparented to these plans. Current plan details and claim forms can be reviewed and downloaded at: http://gov.mb.ca/csc/labour/benefits/blue.html

- III 15:04 All employees will participate in the Health Care Employees' Benefit Plan (HEBP) and the Health Care Employees' Pension Plan (HEPP).
- III 15:05 The Employer shall pay the full premium for the HEBP Disability and Rehabilitation Plan for eligible employees.

Article III 16 Premiums

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Article III 17 Reclassification Process

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Article III 18 Recruitment and Promotion

- **III 18:01** All permanent vacancies, which fall within the scope of this Agreement, shall be posted for at least seven (7) calendar days. Such postings shall state the classification, and the qualifications required for the position.
- **III 18:02** When filling a vacancy through competition, selection shall be based on qualifications, ability, and prior work performance. Where qualifications, ability, and prior work performance are deemed to be relatively equal, seniority shall be the determining factor.
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- **III 18:06** Upon promotion, an employee shall be paid a rate in the higher salary range within the salary schedule that is if possible not less than one (1) increment above her former salary. Increments due within twelve (12) months immediately following the promotion shall also be granted.

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Article III 19 Employee Transportation

III 19:01 Privately Owned Vehicles

The applicable reimbursement rates for the use of a privately-owned vehicle, for travel on program business, as authorized by the Employer, shall be in accordance with the Province of Manitoba mileage rates.

The above allowance covers all cost relative to the operation of the vehicle except bridge, ferry, or highway tolls and parking, as authorized, which may be claimed as incurred.

III 19:02 Bus

Employees required to use public transportation in the performance of their duties and authorized to do so shall be provided with a monthly bus pass for each month of the year paid for by the Employer.

III 19:03 Taxi fare shall be reimbursed for all travel on the Employer's business between the hours of 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and 6:00 a.m. Upon approval from the Employer, in instances where an employee takes a taxi for safety or other reasons, the employee shall be reimbursed for the fare.

Article III 20 Educational Deferred Salary Leave Plan (EDSLP)

- **III 20:01** The parties hereto agree that the following conditions shall apply to the implementation and operation of the Education Deferred Salary Leave Plan.
- **III 20:02** The EDSLP is self-sustaining and the Employer shall not incur any costs whatsoever as a result of participating in the plan.
- **III 20:03** That the plan complies in all respects with all Canada Revenue Agency guidelines.
- III 20:04 MGEU shall save the Employer harmless from any claims whatsoever from any participants enrolled in the EDSLP which may result from non-remittance of monies collected in accordance with the plan nor for any short falls in the fund from time to time required to be paid to any of the participants in the plan. It is agreed remittance of all monies toe the plan, in trust, is to be forwarded monthly to the carrier of the plan in trust.
- **III 20:05** Each request for a Leave of Absence (LOA) under EDSLP will be reviewed on an individual basis and will be granted if reasonably possible depending on operational requirements.
- III 20:06 Request for LOA under EDSLP shall include a description of the course of studies to be approved, the duration of the program, and the name of the institution, and shall be submitted in writing to the applicable Team Manager/Director with final approval being the responsibility of the Vice-President, Community Care or designate.

Purpose

The purpose of the EDSLP is to establish a salary deferral payment whereby an employee of the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority can fund through a deferral of their salary an Educational Leave of Absence. A return service commitment by the employee, equal to the period of leave of absence is required.

Contributions

- 1. An employee may elect to defer not less than ten percent (10%) and not more than thirty-three and one-third percent (33½/3%) of his/her gross regular biweekly earnings for up to five (5) consecutive calendar years for the purpose of funding an Educational Leave of Absence commencing immediately after the end of the deferral period.
- 2. The Educational Deferred Salary Leave of Absence shall be for a period not less than six (6) continuous months and not more than twelve (12) continuous months commencing immediately after the end of the deferral period. Due to operational requirements or at the employee's request the leave may be postponed for up to twelve (12) months provided six (6) months written notice is given. In any event the leave must commence no later than six (6) years after the date which salary deferrals for the leave commence.
- 3. During the period of leave the employee shall not receive any salary or wages other than his or her deferred salary from the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority or from any other person or partnership with whom the Authority does not deal with arms' length. Accordingly the leave is deemed to be a leave of absence without pay for the purpose of all relative provisions of the Collective Agreement.
- 4. Where applicable, continuation of employee benefits is the responsibility of the employee in accordance with the individual plan(s) text.
- 5. Prior to the commencement of the leave the employee shall sign an agreement with the Authority certifying that he/she intends to return to

- the employ of the Authority for a period of at least equal to the period of leave.
- 6. Upon return from the deferred salary leave the Employer shall make every reasonable effort to assure that the employee is placed in the same occupational classification and at the same step in the pay range held prior to the leave of absence.
- 7. EDSLP funds shall be retained in the employee's name in a trust account with the Buffalo Credit Union in Winnipeg. Accrued interest shall be paid in each taxation year at a rate agreed to between the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority and Buffalo Credit Union. Such rate to be reviewed annually. In the event the employee does not take the leave of absence as outlined in this Memorandum of Agreement, all amounts held in the trust account for his or her benefit shall be paid to him/her in the first taxation year that commences after the deferral period.
- 8. The plan should become effective upon its approval as an EDSLP by the Canada Revenue Agency.

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Article III 21 Acting Status

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Article III 22 Term Employees

- **III 22:01** A term employee means an employee engaged for a specified period of time or until completion of a particular project or special assignment.
- **III 22:02** Where the employment of a term employee terminates at the end of a specific term of employment, then:
 - (a) The Employer shall not be required to give any notice or payment in lieu thereof;

- (b) The employee shall not be required to give any notice of resignation.
- III 22:03 Where a term employee is laid off, then the following shall apply:
 - (a) If the layoff is at the end of a specific term of employment, no notice of layoff is required;
 - (b) If the layoff is prior to the end of a specific term of employment, an employee will receive two (2) weeks' written notice prior to the layoff or granted payment in lieu thereof based.
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- **III 22:06** Where a permanent employee moves into a term position, said employee shall be returned to their existing permanent position on expiry of the term position.

An employee in a term position may be required to complete the term before being considered for other term positions within the bargaining unit.

Article III 23 Amendments to the Pay Plan

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Article III 24 Professional Development

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Memorandum of Agreement #III-1

between

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

and

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union Representing Families First Home Visitors

Re: Portability of Benefits

A Home Visitor who resigns from employment with an RHA and commences employment within thirty (30) days in another RHA shall be entitled to portability of the following benefits:

- Seniority Hours
- Income Protection Benefits
- Vacation
- Benefits
- Classification/Rate of Pay provided position in the other RHA is at the same classification level.
- Continued participation in the pension plan without break in service subject to rules of the HEPP Plan.

The onus is on the employee to advise the new Employer that he/she is eligible for portability of seniority/benefits as outlined above.

Signed this 21 day of June	. 2017
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On behalf of Winnipeg Regional	On behalf of Manitoba Government
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On behalf of Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	On behalf of Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union

Memorandum of Agreement #III-2

between

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

and

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union Representing Families First Home Visitors

Re: FFHV Classification Review

Within three (3) months of ratification, a committee shall be established to review the classification of Family First Home Visitor and to identify potential health care related classification(s) that could be considered as appropriate comparators for potential wage standardization purposes.

The Committee shall be made of equal numbers or representatives from the Employer and Manitoba Government Employees' Union.

Individual or groups may be invited to present information to the Committee as is mutually agreed.

The Committee will complete its review and provide a joint report to the WRHA (as represented by the Labour Relations Secretariat) and MGEU by March 31, 2012 or a later date as mutually agreed. A copy of the joint report will also be forwarded to Healthy Child Manitoba as information only.

The Committee shall be advisory in nature and any suggestions or recommendations from this joint committee will not be binding on either party but will be provided on an information basis only.

Signed this 2 day of June	, 2017
On behalf of Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	On behalf of Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union
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On behalf of Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	On behalf of Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union

Memorandum of Agreement #III-3

between

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

and

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union Representing Families First Home Visitors

Re: Changes in Days of Work/Implementation of Shifts

The parties agree that should the Employer require different days of work and/or shifts to be implemented for employees, the following shall apply:

- 1. The Employer shall provide at least thirty (30) days' written notice to the employee(s) and the Union of the requirement to implement a change in work days/shifts.
- 2. During this thirty (30) day notice period, the Employer will consult with the Union and the affected employees to discuss issues arising from such a change. The Union and the Employer will negotiate appropriate provisions including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Shift and weekend premiums;
 - (b) Scheduling processes and shift patterns.
- 3. The Employer agrees to implement these provisions only after a further thirty (30) day notice period to the individual employees affected.
- 4. The Employer shall confirm the changes in writing to the affected employee(s) with a copy to the Union.

Signed this 21 day of June , 2017

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF A representative of Winnipeg Regional Health Authority has hereunto set their hand for, and on behalf of, Winnipeg Regional Health Authority; and a representative of Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union has hereunto set their hand for, and on behalf of, Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union.

Signed this Zday of June	, 2017
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On behalf of Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	On behalf of Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union
On behalf of Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	Shaley Halpshall On behalf of Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union

Note: GEMA Wage Increase

In light of the unique circumstances of these negotiations and without prejudice or precedent to any other negotiations the parties agree as follows.

The wage increases in the Salary Schedules will be paid effective the dates indicated. In the event that either through arbitration or voluntary negotiations the parties to the Government Employees Master Agreement (GEMA) agree to a larger General Wage Increase (GWI) in the corresponding contract year, the additional amount will be paid retroactively to the corresponding date and year.

For clarity, if the finalized GEMA Agreement has a GWI in excess of one percent (1%) in the first year (2014-2015) the difference will be paid retroactive to April 1, 2013 (the first year of this contract).

Similarly if the GEMA Agreement has a GWI in excess of one percent (1%) in the second year (2015-2016) the difference will be paid retroactive to April 1, 2014 (the second year of this contract).

Salary Schedules

Salary adjustment to be applied as follows:

Effective April 1, 2013

General Increase 1%

Employer Classification	General Increase			Start	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Home Visitor 1*	1.0%	1885	Hourly	14.031	14.448	14.865			
			Monthly	2,204.04	2,269.54	2,335.04			
			Annual	26,448.44	27,234.48	28,020.53			
Home Visitor 2	1.0%	1885	Hourly	16.020	16.491	16.950	17.432	17.902	18.383
			Monthly	2,516.48	2,590.46	2,662.56	2,738.28	2,812.11	2,887.66
			Annual	30,197.70	31,085.54	31,950.75	32,859.32	33,745.27	34,651.96

Effective April 1, 2014

General Increase 1%

Employer Classification	General Increase			Start	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Home Visitor 1*	1.0%	1885	Hourly	14.171	14.592	15.014			
			Monthly	2,226.03	2,292.16	2,358.45			
			Annual	26,712.34	27,505.92	28,301.39			
Home Visitor 2	1.0%	1885	Hourly	16.180	16.656	17.120	17.606	18.081	18.567
			Monthly	2,541.61	2,616.38	2,689.27	2,765.61	2,840.22	2,916.57
			Annual	30,499.30	31,396.56	32,271.20	33,187.31	34,082.69	34,998.80

Effective April 1, 2015

General Increase 2%

Employer Classification	General Increase			Start	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Home Visitor 1*	2.0%	1885	Hourly	14.455	14.884	15.314			
			Monthly	2,270.64	2,338.03	2,405.57			
			Annual	27,247.68	28,056.34	28,866.89			
Home Visitor 2	2.0%	1885	Hourly	16.504	16.989	17.462	17.958	18.443	18.939
			Monthly	2,592.50	2,668.69	2,742.99	2,820.90	2,897.09	2,975.00
			Annual	31,110.04	32,024.27	32,915.87	33,850.83	34,765.06	35,700.02

Effective April 1, 2016

General Increase 2.0%

Employer Classification	General Increase			Start	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Home Visitor 1*	2.0%	1885	Hourly	14.744	15.182	15.620			
			Monthly	2,316.04	2,384.84	2,453.64			
			Annual	27,792.44	28,618.07	29,443.70			
Home Visitor 2	2.0%	1885	Hourly	16.834	17.328	17.812	18.317	18.812	19.317
			Monthly	2,644.34	2,721.94	2,797.97	2,877.30	2,955.05	3,034.38
			Annual	31,732.09	32,663.28	33,575.62	34,527.55	35,460.62	36,412.55

Effective April 1, 2017

General Increase 1.0%

Employer Classification	General Increase			Start	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Home Visitor 1*	1.0%	1885	Hourly	14.891	15.334	15.776			
			Monthly	2,339.13	2,408.72	2,478.15			
			Annual	28,069.54	28,904.59	29,737.76			
Home Visitor 2	1.0%	1885	Hourly	17.002	17.502	17.990	18.500	19.000	19.511
			Monthly	2,670.73	2,749.27	2,825.93	2,906.04	2,984.58	3,064.85
			Annual	32,048.77	32,991.27	33,911.15	34,872.50	35,815.00	36,778.24

Effective October 1, 2017

General Increase 1%

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Employer Classification	General Increase			Start	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
Home Visitor 1*	1.0%	1885	Hourly	15.040	15.487	15.934			
			Monthly	2,362.53	2,432.75	2,502.97			
			Annual	28,350.40	29,193.00	30,035.59			
Home Visitor 2	1.0%	1885	Hourly	17.172	17.677	18.170	18.685	19.190	19.706
			Monthly	2,697.44	2,776.76	2,854.20	2,935.10	3,014.43	3,095.48
			Annual	32,369.22	33,321.15	34,250.45	35,221.23	36,173.15	37,145.81

*The Home Visitor 1 is used to recruit individuals with no relevant knowledge or experience and the individual is placed at the start rate for the Home Visitor 1 level. An employee hired at the start rate would normally receive an increment to the second step after six (6) months, upon successful completion of the probation period. After one (1) year and based on satisfactory performance, the individual would be granted an increment and progress to the third step in the salary schedule.