

April 1, 2019



Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015* [Our File #: AESL/021/2019]

On March 19, 2019 the Department of Advanced Education, Skills and Labour received your request for access to the following records/information:

“Please provide the estimated cost associated with the enhances in the JobsNL Wage Subsidy Program.

Please provide the estimated cost to the Government of NL in Funding related to Foreign Qualification Recognition for the year ended March 31, 2020.”

I am pleased to inform you that your request for access to these records has been granted.

The enhancements to the JobsNL Wage Subsidy Program were in accordance with Phase Three of The Way Forward: Building for our Future to ensure the programs better meet the needs of new and small to medium sized businesses and those seeking employment.

As demand for JobsNL funding has decreased since its introduction in 2015, these enhancements will be funded from current budget allocations. As such, there are no additional costs associated with the enhancements.

There is no cost related to Foreign Qualification Recognition to the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador as it is supported by federal funding.

The Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act requires us to provide an advisory response within 10 days of receiving the request. As this request has been completed prior to day 10, this letter also serves as our Advisory Response.

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72 hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests website within one business day following the applicable period of time.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (709) 729-4276 or sharonseaward@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

SHARON SEAWARD
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