



	Program	Seniors Independence Initiative	
	Subject	Suite of Services	Policy # 1.2
Effective Date: April 1, 2021		Authorized by:	
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1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To identify the funded services available for support through the Seniors Independence Initiative (SII).

2.0 DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 **Activities of Daily Living:** daily self-care activities within an applicant’s place of residence, in outdoor environments, or both.
- 2.2 **Applicant:** a person who has applied for, on whose behalf an application is made, or is in receipt of funding through SII.
- 2.3 **Senior:** a person who is 65 years of age or older, is legally entitled to remain in Canada, and maintains his or her primary residence in Prince Edward Island.
- 2.4 **Support Needs Assessment (SNA):** a systematic process for determining an applicant’s eligibility and identifying potential support needs of applicants for SII.

3.0 POLICY STATEMENT

- 3.1 SII provides funding for a suite of services that support seniors to remain in their own homes and communities.
- 3.2 Funded supports are intended to supplement the natural supports that an applicant receives from their family and/or personal supports.
- 3.3 These services assist with activities of daily living for applicants who are unable to complete the tasks independently, do not have another person or family member residing with them to complete the task, and meet the financial eligibility criteria of the program.

4.0 PROCEDURE

- 4.1 The Social Supports Coordinator refers to the SII Suite of Services Table (attached) to identify funded supports and works collaboratively with the applicant to identify support needs and determine the appropriate funding to meet those needs within the benefit caps. See the SII Suite of Services Table (attached) for the services covered, and annual entitlement amounts for single applicants and couples.

4.2 The Social Supports Coordinator will assess the applicant's eligibility for the identified support need based on the applicant's SNA.

5.0 ATTACHMENTS

5.1 SII Suite of Services Table

HISTORY:

April 1, 2022: Communication has been added to the suite of services offered; entitlement amounts have increased.

December 1, 2022: Income thresholds have been increased for singles and couples applying to the program and a new benefit amount has been added to allow for a higher income threshold.

SII Suite of Services

- Grass Cutting
- Home Maintenance
- Housekeeping
- Lifeline Medical Alert System
- Meal Preparation
- Snow Removal
- Transportation
- Communication

Singles – Annual Entitlement Amount

Annual income <i>(as per Section 4.6 in policy 1.1 Eligibility)</i>	Entitlement Amount
Up to \$22,253	\$1,700
\$22,254 - \$25,753	\$1,325
\$25,754 - \$29,253	\$950
\$29,254 - \$32,753	\$575

Couples – Annual Entitlement Amount

Annual Income <i>(as per Section 4.6 in policy 1.1 Eligibility)</i>	Entitlement Amount
Up to \$31,470	\$1,700
\$31,471 - \$34,970	\$1,325
\$34,971 - \$38,470	\$950
\$38,471 - \$41,970	\$575