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Perquisites Policy		

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish the rules associated with the provision of perquisites under the Management Board of Cabinet Broader Public Service Directive.

Definition and Scope

This policy applies to all appointees, board members, employees and volunteers of the Children's Treatment Network of Simcoe York. The term perquisites, or perks, refer to a privilege that is provided to an individual or to a group of individuals, provides a personal benefit, and is not generally available to others.

Implementation

A perquisite is <u>not</u> allowable if it is <u>not</u> a business-related requirement. To be allowable, a perquisite must be a business-related requirement for the effective performance of an individual's job.

The following perquisites are not allowed under any circumstance:

- club memberships for personal recreation or socializing purposes, such as fitness clubs, golf clubs or social clubs;
- seasons tickets to cultural or sporting events;
- clothing allowances not related to health and safety or special job requirements;
- access to private health clinics medical services outside those provided by the provincial health care system or by the employer's group insured benefit plans;
- professional advisory services for personal matters, such as tax or estate planning.

These privileges cannot be provided by any means, including:

- an offer of employment letter, as a promise of a benefit;
- an employment contract; or
- a reimbursement of an expense.

A perquisite can only be made available and only in a limited basis if it can be demonstrated to be a business-related requirement for the effective performance of an individual's job.

The development of a perquisite requires the review of the Audit & Finance Committee to ensure compliance with this policy and approval by the Board.

Reference and Links:

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