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NON-INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS (NIHB) PROGRAM UPDATED PRIVATE VEHICLE KILOMETRIC RATES

The NIHB Program has updated the allowance rates that may be provided when a privately owned vehicle is used by an eligible NIHB client to access medically necessary health services.

The new rates shown in the table below are in effect until March 31, 2015.

Province/Territory	NIHB's 2013- 2014 Rates	NIHB's 2014-2015 RATES	Percentage (%) Increase from previous year rates to new rates
Alberta	16	18.5	16%
Manitoba	20	20	0%
New Brunswick	16.5	21	27%
Newfoundland and Labrador	18	21.5	19%
Nova Scotia	17.5	21.5	23%
Ontario	16.5	21	27%
Prince Edward Island	16	21.5	34%
Quebec	17.5	22.5	29%
Saskatchewan	16.5	19.5	18%
Yukon	29.5	29.5	0%

NIHB's Private Vehicle Kilometric Rates (cents/km)

*The rate for the Northwest Territories is set by the Government of the Northwest Territories, and a private vehicle kilometric rate is not applicable for Nunavut due to the distances of the nearest appropriate health professionals or health facilities (i.e. other modes of transportation are used to access medically necessary health services).

NIHB's rates changed to reflect increases in the April 2014 *Commuting Assistance Directive Lower Kilometric Rates* released by the National Joint Council, which can be viewed on their web-site. For Manitoba and the Yukon, NIHB has maintained the rates (i.e. NIHB did not decrease rates in these regions) as the National Joint Council rates were lower than NIHB's previous rates.

