Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL	
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## POLICY

Authority OW Act: Sec. 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 74(1) and (4)

OW Directives: Dir. 7.1 & 7.2

## **DEFINITIONS - PROGRAM PURPOSE**

Mandatory benefits are provided to all eligible Ontario Works recipients and/or members of their benefit unit.

Recipients, spouses and any dependents may be eligible to receive the following mandatory benefits:

- Health benefits:
  - prescription drug coverage
  - dental and vision care for dependent children and children in temporary care
  - diabetic supplies, surgical supplies and dressings
  - medical transportation costs \$15 and over
  - consumer contribution for assistive devices and eligibility assessment under the Assistive Devices Program (ADP)
  - batteries and necessary repairs for mobility devices
  - routine eye examinations once every 24 months (ages 20-64)
  - extended health benefits
- Guide dog allowance
- Full-time Employment Benefit (FTEB)
- Other Employment and Employment Assistance Activities Benefit
- Advance (up front) child care
- Transition Child Benefit (TCB)

## **PROCEDURE**

Case Managers can approve Mandatory Benefits provided the need for same is clearly documented in the social assistance computer system and policy limits are not exceeded. Where appropriate, estimates for items have been received and placed on file.