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BAND POLICY – RBC TRUST
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Skeetchestn Extended Health Benefits to Band members

Each fiscal year, the Band Council will budget approximately \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00 from the Royal Bank Trust Interest funds for the sole purpose of reimbursing on and off reserve Skeetchestn Band Members who incur costs for **health related items and services** not currently covered by First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) or Employee Group Insurance Plans. **The intent is to supplement and offset the costs related to health care.**

These funds are to be dispersed under the following conditions:

- a) The maximum amount reimbursed to a Band member is \$750.00 per fiscal year and
 - b) All reimbursements must be approved by Band Council or it's designate.
 - c) Original detailed receipts showing the name of the claimant must be provided.
(For example a prescription label with the till receipt)
 - d) Will be on a first come first served basis.
 - e) Applies to both Skeetchestn Indian Band members living both ON/OFF reserve.
 - f) Skeetchestn Indian Band will only cover those items currently not covered by FNHA or Employee Group Insurance Benefits. These could include but are not limited to: prosthesis, hearing aids, dentures, prescription medication, glasses, dental services, foot care, etc.
 - g) Exclusions and limitations:
 - **Vision care** –Eyeglasses (frames and/or lenses) up to a maximum of \$300.00 once every 24 consecutive months following the actual purchase date of the first Vision care item claimed.
 - **Orthodontics** –Reimbursements for Orthodontic services are subject to a lifetime maximum amount of \$1,100.00 per Band member. Two payments of \$550.00 (initial payment -1st year, 2nd payment-following year can be claimed.
 - **Cosmetic surgery**—not covered by the extended health care program.
 - **Medical equipment** prescribed by a physician are subject to a lifetime maximum amount of \$500.00
I.e. Medical bed, braces, wheelchair, breathing equipment, etc. not covered by FNHA.
 - Supplements and Special Vitamins prescribed by a physician or naturopath to a maximum amount of \$350.00 per fiscal year.
 - h) Should the allocated funds reach the budgeted amount prior to March 31st, 2018 the Band will not be accepting new reimbursement claims.



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