IMPORTANT NOTE TO HEALTH PROFESSIONALS and APPLICANTS

The BC Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction ("Ministry") has published an electronic version of the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers (PPMB) Application Form (HR2892) on its website at https://www2.gov.bc.ca/PPMBApp. This provides applicants and health professionals an alternative method to access and fill out the form.

Prior to applying for the PPMB status, the applicant should be in receipt of income assistance or complete an intake process with the Ministry to determine if they meet all of the eligibility criteria for financial assistance through the BC Employment and Assistance (BCEA) Program. At the intake appointment, an eligibility assessment will be completed to determine if the applicant (and their family members, if applicable) meet residency, citizenship and identification requirements, as well as income and asset tests. More information on qualifying for financial assistance through the BCEA Program can be found at: https://myselfserve.gov.bc.ca/ or applicants can contact the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction at 1-866-866-0800.

Instructions:

1. **Before completing the PPMB Application Form (HR2892)**, the applicant should be in receipt of income assistance. If they are not currently receiving income assistance, the applicant should contact the Ministry and complete an eligibility intake appointment (see section above).

2. **After completing the PPMB Application Form**, return the form, along with any supporting documents, to the applicant for submission or submit it on the applicant's behalf:

   - Fax: 1-855-771-8785
   - Mail: Health Assistance
     Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction
     PO Box 9971 Stn Prov Govt
     Victoria, BC V8W 9R5

   Note:
   - Section 1 of the form must be completed by the health professional, and
   - Section 2 of the form must be completed by the applicant.

3. **If the applicant is not able to attend your office in person** as part of the assessment and completion of the PPMB Application Form, please attach a completed Certification of Authorization to Collect Information Form (HR4018) as an addendum (see next page).

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Certification of Authorization to Collect Information - PPMB

The personal information requested on this form is collected under the authority of and will be used for the purpose of administering the *Employment and Assistance Act*. The collection, use, and, disclosure of personal information is subject to the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Any questions regarding this form, please contact the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction at 1-866-866-0800.

Addendum to the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers Application Form (HR2892) Section 1

Applicant Information

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name

Date of Birth (YYYY MMM DD)	Personal Health Number	Case Number (For Office use Only)

Purpose

The purpose of this form is to ensure the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction is authorized by the individual named above as the applicant, to collect personal information about them from a third party. This form should only be used when the applicant cannot provide written authorization to the Ministry by physically or electronically signing section 1 of the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers Application Form.

Certification

I, _____ certify that the following is true and complete:
(name of health professional)

- The above-named applicant has authorized me to initiate an application for Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers to Employment status on their behalf.
- I have reviewed the information contained in the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers Application Form, and any associated attachments, with the applicant before submission.
- I have received clear and express authorization from the applicant for the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction to collect from me, any health and other personal information about the applicant, as requested in the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers Application Form, for the purpose of assisting the Ministry to determine if they qualify as a Person with Persistent Multiple Barriers to Employment and for assistance under the *Employment and Assistance Act*.

Signature	Date Signed (YYYY MMM DD)

Health Profession		
Telephone Number	**Fax Number**	**Email Address**
Practitioner / College Registration Number	**Print/Stamp Address**	

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Section 1

Part A - Personal Information

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Case Number	**Personal Health Number**	

Part B - Authority to Release Information (To be signed by Applicant)

I consent to the health professional indicated below disclosing health and other personal information about me, as requested in this form, to the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction for the purposes of assisting the ministry to determine if I qualify as a person who has persistent multiple barriers to employment.

Signature of Applicant	Date Signed (YYYY MMM DD)	Signature of Witness

Part C - Health Assessment - to be completed by a registered/licensed Health Professional (Please Print)

All questions must be answered completely for the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction to determine how the applicant's health condition(s) may seriously impede their ability to search for, accept or continue in employment. Incomplete information may result in the applicant not being adjudicated for the appropriate client category.

The contents of this report are confidential, but are subject to the following conditions:

- the report will be shared with the Applicant;
- the report will be shared with the Employment and Assistance Appeal Tribunal if an appeal is initiated; and
- the report may be reviewed by a ministry medical consultant.

One of the following health professionals can complete the health assessment;

- Medical Practitioner
- Nurse Practitioner
- Registered Nurse
- Registered Psychiatric Nurse
- Chiropractor
- Occupational Therapist
- Physical Therapist
- Registered Social Worker
- Registered Psychologist
- School Psychologist
- Registered Clinical Counsellor

1. Health Condition(s):

	ICD9 or DSM Code (optional)	Date of Onset (YYYY MMM DD)
List health condition(s): _____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

How long has this condition(s) existed? _____ Years _____ Months

2. Duration:

a. Expected continuation of health condition(s): ☐ Less than 2 years ☐ 2 years or more

b. Indicate if the health condition(s) is episodic in nature? ☐ Yes ☐ No

i) How frequently have the episodes occurred in the past year? _____

ii) How frequently are they likely to recur? _____

Additional comments:

3. Restrictions:

Please describe the nature (including the severity) of any physical or mental restrictions that result from the health condition(s) described above.

4. Enclosures:

Please enclose copies of any documentation that confirms or verifies the existence and severity of the restrictions described above (e.g. laboratory or diagnostic reports, psychological reports, etc.).

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5. Certification - Health Professional

I, _____

am a _____

practicing in British Columbia.

I am registered with a professional regulatory body: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name of regulatory body: _____

My registration number is: _____

I am employed by:

☐ Self Employed; private practice ☐ Health Authority

☐ Other employer (please specify): _____

Address including postal code (stamp or print)

This report contains my findings and considered opinion at this time.

Signature	Date (YYYY MMM DD)

Telephone Number	Fax Number	Email address

A $50.00 fee may be paid to a Health Professional provided that the Health Professional has fully completed Section 1 of the Application.

Fees for physicians completing Section 1 of this form should be billed through the Medical Services Plan under Fee Item 96503. Other Health Professionals completing Section 1 may bill the ministry by submitting the attached completed invoice in the amount of $50.00: via fax at 1-866-399-9350 or by mail to SDD Accounts Payable PO Box 5051 Stn Main Vancouver, BC V6B 4A9.

Please keep a copy of the fully completed Section 1 of this form until you receive payment for your fee. Health Professionals having questions regarding this application may contact the Health Assistance, Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction at 1-888-221-7711.

Health Professional's Invoice

Invoice No.	Invoice Date

Applicant Name	Applicant Date of Birth	Personal Health Number

Date of Service	Description of Service
	Completion of Health Professional's Report Section 1.....$50.00

Make cheque payable to:

Supplier Name

Address	Postal Code	Telephone

Supplier Signature	Registration Number

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Section 2

Part A - Personal Information

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Case Number	**Personal Health Number**	

Part B - Barriers to Employment (To be completed and signed by Applicant)

1. Restrictions:

Please indicate which of the following barriers you have that seriously impede your ability to search for, accept or continue in employment:

- ☐ Homelessness

  Currently experiencing homelessness or have experienced homelessness in the past 12 months

- ☐ Domestic violence

  Currently experiencing domestic violence or having experienced domestic violence in the past 6 months

- ☐ In need of English language skills training
- ☐ Not having basic skills for employment
- ☐ Criminal Record
- ☐ Less than Grade 12 education
- ☐ Have accessed emergency health, mental health or addiction service multiple times in the past 12 months
- ☐ Recent Convention refugee (within the past 24 months) or currently a refugee claimant
- ☐ Former Child in Care

  A former child in care of the BC Ministry of Children and Family Development or an equivalent government agency in another jurisdiction in Canada.

- ☐ Other severe barrier(s) to employment

_____

Please provide information or documentation to support any other severe barrier(s) you have identified. Additional pages may be attached.

_____

Declaration and Notification

I, _____ , wish to be qualified as a Person with Persistent Multiple Barriers to Employment status as set out in the Employment and Assistance Regulation and I declare that the information provided in this form and any supporting documents provided is true and complete. I understand the BC government may verify the information and supporting documents provided in this application as necessary to determine and confirm my eligibility.

Applicant's Signature	Date Signed (YYYY-MMM-DD)

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