



# Pathways Family Services Foster Care News

“Providing children and families with safety, stability and belonging”

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## **IMPORTANT CONTRACT YEAR END FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Our contract year end is approaching quickly (March 31st). We do ask that foster parents submit all receipts, mileage claim forms, training forms, etc. as soon as possible in March in order for us to process as much as we can before contract year end. Submission through Pathways HUB is preferred.

***If receipts are received after noon on March 30th, they may not be processed until April.***

A reminder that for children from CSD sites, Pathways must request approval for items from Recreation, Vacation and Initial Placement Funds.

NOTE: If you wish to utilize any funds that may be remaining for Recreation or Vacation Allowances from the 2025/2026 Contract Year, items must be purchased on or before March 31st, 2026 and receipts must be turned in no later than April 30th, 2026.

***If receipts are handed in after April 30th, we will be unable to reimburse you due to regional billing guidelines.***



PLEASE ALSO NOTE that the cost for any one single item or expense CANNOT be split between the old and new contract years.

Receipts for Recreation and Vacation Fund items that are dated April 1st, 2026 and after will be taken from the new 2026/2027 Contract Year.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call your Support Worker or Marla at 780-442-0113. Thanks!!

# Indigenous Languages Corner

## Cree

bedroom

**nipewikamik**

nih-BOOH-kaw-mik

door

**iskwâthem**

is-KWAH-tim

kitchen

**piminawasiwikamik**

pim-noah-SOO-kaw-mik



## Saulteaux

four

**nīwin**

NEE-win

five

**nanan**

NA-nan

six

**nikotwahso**

gnu-TWA-soh



*Pronunciations are approximate. To hear a language spoken and for access to more words, download a language app to a tablet or smart phone. Apps used here are "Maskwacis Cree" and "Saulteaux."*

## ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Pathways Family Services is being accredited by CARF International March 2nd to 4th. Accreditation is a process that demonstrates that Pathways has met standards for the quality of our services. CARF International establishes these standards to guide providers in offering their services and also uses the standards to evaluate how well a provider is serving people and how it can improve.

If you would like to participate, please contact your Foster Care Support Worker.



## Km Submission Guidelines



- Put only one month's worth of drives on a single submission and submit them each month. **Please wait until all drives have been completed for the month before submitting.**
- If your drive involves a round trip - indicate this in the "purpose for trip" field.
- For trips that would involve a greater than expected amount of km (for example - detour taken for road construction), indicate the reason why in the "purpose for trip" field.
- Submit parking receipts along with km. Receipts can be uploaded.
- Don't submit a claim for a drive before it occurs, even if the drive has been scheduled in advance (for example for an on-going appointment) as plans can change. **If the office receives such a claim, it will be held until after the date of the drive.** Foster parents may be contacted to verify the drive has taken place.
- Remember that approvals for all km are submitted to the Case Worker. Foster parents can't be reimbursed until a signed authorization has been received.

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# MARCH 2026

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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<b>ACCREDITATION</b>					<i>Direct Deposit Date</i>	

8	9	10	11	12	13	14
				Payroll Cutoff at Noon		

15	16	17	18	19	20	21
					<i>Direct Deposit Date</i>	

22	23	24	25	26	27	28

29	30	31				
	Payroll Cutoff at Noon	<b>CONTRACT YEAR END</b>				