

Program for Reimbursing Expenses of Living Organ Donors Bulletin III, May 9, 2008

NOTICE OF ERROR: Income and Benefit Verification Form

Please note that an error has been recognized on the March 20, 2008 version of the *Income and Benefit Verification (IBV) Form*. Actual living organ donors who face financial loss after surgery may apply to PRELOD for the loss of income subsidy. Per the Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care's policy, the loss of income subsidy is calculated with respect to the applicant's net earnings. Currently the *IBV Form* (see Section B3, Part A) requires documentation of the weekly *gross* income anticipated to be lost. Please note that this is incorrect. Applicants should document "Weekly **Net** Income Anticipated to be Lost".

This error will impact:

- Retroactive (August 3, 2007 to March 31, 2008) potential and actual living organ donors who received a PRELOD application package from Trillium Gift of Life Network (TGLN)
- Anyone who obtained the *IBV Form* on the TGLN website (www.giftoflife.on.ca) prior to May 9, 2008.
- Potential and actual living organ donors who have received an application package from an Ontario transplant hospital or the Kidney Foundation of Canada, Ontario Branch

In response to this error, a new version of the *IBV Form* (Version May 8, 2008) has been posted on the TGLN website (www.giftoflife.on.ca). Furthermore, any hard copies of the form further distributed will be the new, correct version of the *IBV Form*. In the interim, if you have the out-of-date version of the form you can either access a new form on the TGLN website or make a note and initial the out-of-date form to indicate that the "net income" has been documented. If you have already submitted a claim using the out-of-date version of the *IBV Form*, the PRELOD Administrator will contact the noted employer to obtain the value of the net income opposed to the gross income.

We apologize for any inconvenience or misunderstanding this error may have caused. If you have any further questions or comments please contact PRELOD at 1-888-9-PRELOD/416-619-2342 or prelod@giftoflife.on.ca.