

Abuse Compensation Protocol

GENERAL

A. This is the Abuse Compensation Protocol for the Settlement Agreement (Saskatchewan).

B. Interpretation: Capitalized terms are defined either in the Settlement Agreement (Saskatchewan) or in this document.

C. The terms of the Claims Protocol (Experience Payments) and the Estate Claims Protocol (Experience Payments) attached as Schedules “D” and “E” to the Settlement Agreement (Canada), respectively, are incorporated into and apply to this Abuse Compensation Protocol, only as relevant, with necessary modifications, and with limitations as set out below.

D. The Claims Administrator and Assessor shall, in the absence of reasonable grounds to the contrary, assume that an Abuse Compensation Claimant is acting honestly and in good faith. The Parties have acknowledged that an Abuse Compensation Claimant may in honesty provide erroneous or incomplete information within the Claims Process.

E. In considering an Abuse Compensation Application, the Claims Administrator and Assessor shall draw all reasonable and favourable inferences that can be drawn in favour of the Abuse Compensation Claimant, as well as resolving any doubt as to whether an Abuse Compensation Application should be decided in favour of the Abuse Compensation Claimant.

F. Class Counsel shall finalize this Abuse Compensation Protocol in consultation with the Claims Administrator and the Assessor by no later than fifteen days before the Implementation Date. Upon being finalized, it shall be posted on the websites operated by the Claims Administrator and Class Counsel forthwith, and no further Court approval shall be required for the finalized version of this Protocol.

Part A: Claim Submission and Intake

1. An Abuse Compensation Claimant must file an Abuse Compensation Application and provide any supporting documentation to the Claims Administrator prior to the Abuse Compensation Claims Deadline, or by any extension thereof, in accordance with Part F of this Abuse Compensation Protocol.
2. Abuse Compensation Applications that the Claims Administrator has determined to have been made by an eligible Claimant in respect of a Survivor Class Member shall be assessed to determine eligibility for Abuse Compensation.
3. An Abuse Compensation Application shall be considered complete if:
 - a) it includes a description of the sexual abuse or serious physical abuse experienced by the Survivor Class Member at the Île-à-la-Crosse School, sufficient for the Claims Administrator to make a determination of the level of harm that the Survivor Class Member has suffered, which may, but is not required to, include any documentation that supports the claim of sexual abuse or serious physical abuse; and
 - b) it includes a solemn declaration that the information provided in the Abuse Compensation Application is true.
4. If the Claims Administrator receives an Abuse Compensation Application before the Claimant's Experience Payment Application is determined to be complete in accordance with section 9 of the Claims Protocol (Experience Payments):
 - a) the Claims Administrator shall, at the same time, determine whether the Abuse Compensation Application is complete in accordance with section 3 of this Abuse Compensation Protocol; and
 - b) if the Abuse Compensation Application is also incomplete, the Claims Administrator shall advise the Abuse Compensation Claimant that the information in the Abuse Compensation Application is incomplete in the same written notice that is provided for in the Claims Protocol (Experience Payments).

5. The Claims Administrator may request additional information or clarification from any Abuse Compensation Claimant if their Abuse Compensation Application is incomplete:
 - a) The Claims Administrator will contact the Claimant, in writing, and request that the Claimant provide the missing information or clarification.
 - b) Missing information or clarification must be provided by the Claimant within 90 days of the request by the Claims Administrator referred to in section 5(a).
 - c) If the Claims Administrator's request for missing information is made within 60 days of the Abuse Compensation Claims Deadline or, if applicable, any extension thereof, the Claimant will be able to submit the missing information by no later than 60 days following the date of the request for missing information.
 - d) Notwithstanding section 5(c) of this Abuse Compensation Protocol, no missing information may be accepted by the Claims Administrator after the Ultimate Claims Deadline.
6. Upon request from an Abuse Compensation Claimant, the Claims Administrator shall allow the Abuse Compensation Claimant to provide any additional information or clarification requested in accordance with section 5 of this Abuse Compensation Protocol orally.
7. The Claim Form will state that Abuse Compensation Claimants should provide copies of any Supporting Documents. Submission of original Supporting Documents will be accepted but discouraged. Supporting Documents include any documents that may be relevant to determining whether a Survivor Class Member experienced sexual abuse or serious physical abuse at the Île-à-la-Crosse School, and the details of any such abuse that are relevant to assessing the Abuse Compensation Application. Supporting Documents may include, but are not limited to:

- a) Evidence of the abuse given by the Survivor Class Member or any other person under oath or pursuant to a solemn affirmation in this or any other legal proceeding prior to January 30, 2026;
 - b) medical records;
 - c) police records or other records or reports from a criminal proceeding;
 - d) statements of claim, applications, or other originating court processes, issued prior to January 30, 2026, with respect to the alleged abuse;
 - e) legal demand letters issued by the Survivor Class Member's legal representative(s), prior to January 30, 2026, with respect to the alleged abuse;
 - f) notes of conversations with the Survivor Class Member or with witnesses, taken by lawyers or legal staff, prior to January 30, 2026, with respect to the alleged abuse; or
 - g) any recorded statement by the Survivor Class Member concerning the alleged abuse, including correspondence, other written statements, or statements recorded by audio or video.
8. Where an Abuse Compensation Claimant passes away or becomes a Person Under Disability after an Abuse Compensation Application is submitted but before it is determined finally, the Personal Representative, Estate Representative, or Designated Heir must notify the Claims Administrator, in writing, by completing the representative documents appended to the Claim Form, before the Abuse Compensation Application can be determined finally.
9. An Abuse Compensation Application may not be revised or supplemented after the Ultimate Claims Deadline.
10. In the event that more than one Abuse Compensation Application is submitted in respect of a Survivor Class Member, the Application submitted by the Survivor Class Member will take precedence, followed by that submitted by an Estate

Representative in accordance with the Estate Claim Protocol. Claims for Abuse Compensation submitted by grandchildren of a Survivor Class Member will not be accepted.

11. For Abuse Compensation Applications received with complete contact details, the Claims Administrator will provide confirmation of receipt by letter or email to the Claimant, based on the method of submission.
12. Where this Protocol refers to a communication in writing from the Claims Administrator to an Abuse Compensation Claimant, the Claims Administrator shall also send a copy of the communication to any person designated by the Claimant to receive copies of written communications.

Part B: Confirmation of Attendance

13. For an Abuse Compensation Claimant to be eligible for Abuse Compensation, the Abuse Compensation Application must be made in respect of a Survivor Class Member who both:
 - a) attended at the Île-à-la-Crosse School for at least part of one School Year; and
 - b) suffered sexual abuse or serious physical abuse at the Île-à-la-Crosse School, including associated residential premises, of the nature described in the Abuse Compensation Grid in section 9 of the Distribution Protocol, Schedule "B" to the Settlement Agreement (Saskatchewan).
14. Prior to assessing any Abuse Compensation Application that is completed before the expiry of the Experience Payment Extension Period, the Claims Administrator shall first decide whether the Abuse Compensation Claimant qualifies for an Experience Payment. If the Abuse Compensation Claimant did not complete an Experience Payment Application before the expiry of the Experience Payment Extension Period, the Claims Administrator will first determine if the Application is

made in respect of a Survivor Class Member before assessing the balance of the Abuse Compensation Application.

15. For the avoidance of uncertainty, nothing in this Abuse Compensation Protocol takes precedence over the Claims Protocol (Experience Payments) with respect to eligibility for Experience Payments.

Part C: Assessment for Abuse Compensation

16. The Document Database referred to in section 14(a) of the Claims Protocol (Experience Payments) shall be applicable to all Abuse Compensation Applications in accordance with the following terms:
 - a) the Claims Administrator and Assessor will accept all positive evidence of abuse experienced by a Survivor Class Member at the Île-à-la-Crosse School that is contained in the Document Database, even if the Abuse Compensation Application includes alternative or contradictory information; and
 - b) the absence of evidence that a Survivor Class Member experienced abuse at the Île-à-la-Crosse School in the Document Database will not negate an Application for Abuse Compensation.
17. The Claims Administrator may award no compensation or it may award Abuse Compensation at any level, regardless of the level specified in the Abuse Compensation Application.
18. If the Claims Administrator awards Abuse Compensation at a level higher than or equal to the level in the Abuse Compensation Application, the Claims Administrator shall issue a final written determination to the Abuse Compensation Claimant.
19. If the Claims Administrator would award Abuse Compensation at a level lower than the level elected in the Abuse Compensation Application, or would deny an Abuse Compensation, the Claims Administrator shall refer the Abuse Compensation Application to the Assessor in accordance with section 20 of this Abuse Compensation Protocol.

Part D: Referral to Assessor

20. Upon receipt of a referral from the Claims Administrator in accordance with section 19 of this Abuse Compensation Protocol, the Assessor shall conduct a **“Secondary Assessment”** of the Claims Administrator’s determination. In the Secondary Assessment, the Assessor shall take on an inquisitorial role, and is entitled to contact the Claimant regarding their Abuse Compensation Application. Following completion of the Secondary Assessment, the Assessor shall make a final determination as to the level of Abuse Compensation, if any, to be awarded, and shall advise the Claims Administrator of this final determination.

Part E: Abuse Compensation Applications by Estate Representatives

21. Abuse Compensation may only be awarded in respect of a Survivor Class Member who died on or after December 9, 2003, if the conditions in this Part of the Protocol have been satisfied.
22. A person may establish their authority to submit or continue an Abuse Compensation Application on behalf of a deceased Survivor Class Member by satisfying the criteria to act as an Estate Representative in accordance with the Estate Claims Protocol.
23. For Abuse Compensation Applications made in respect of deceased Survivor Class Members after the Experience Payment Claims Deadline, for which no extension to the Experience Payment Claims Deadline has been granted under section 7 of the Claims Protocol (Experience Payments), the criteria and procedures set out in the Estate Claims Protocol will continue to apply, with necessary modifications.
24. To be entitled to Abuse Compensation in respect of a deceased Survivor Class Member, in addition to satisfying the other criteria in this Abuse Compensation Protocol, the Estate Representative must:
 - a) describe the nature of their relationship with the Survivor Class Member;

- b) provide information about how the Estate Representative came to be aware of the sexual abuse or serious physical abuse alleged to have been experienced by the Survivor Class Member; and
 - c) provide any Supporting Documents relevant to the Abuse Compensation Application, which documents may include but are not limited to the documents listed in section 7 of this Abuse Compensation Protocol, except that any document relied upon by an Estate Representative must have been created prior to the death of the Survivor Class Member.
25. The Claim Form shall incorporate fields and instructions for the provision of the information and documents referred to in section 24 of this Abuse Compensation Protocol.
26. If the Claims Administrator identifies any impediments to the implementation of the Estate Claims Protocol to Abuse Compensation Applications brought in accordance with section 23 of this Abuse Compensation Protocol, the Claims Administrator shall seek direction from Class Counsel.

Part F: Deadline Extension

27. Abuse Compensation Applications may not be accepted by the Claims Administrator after the Abuse Compensation Claims Deadline, save for Claimants who submit Abuse Compensation Applications before the Ultimate Claims Deadline along with a reasonable explanation for their inability to file the Abuse Compensation Application by the Abuse Compensation Claims Deadline. Abuse Compensation Applications may not be accepted for initial submission after the Ultimate Claims Deadline under any circumstances.
28. Assessment of the reasonableness of the late-filing of Abuse Compensation Applications will be completed by the Claims Administrator. If the Claimant's explanation is rejected by the Claims Administrator as not being reasonable, the matter of whether a late-filed Abuse Compensation Application will be accepted will be referred to the Assessor, who shall make a final determination on this issue.

29. The Ultimate Claims Deadline is the last day for the submission of any Abuse Compensation Applications, supporting documents, Abuse Compensation Application re-submissions, or any other documents in respect of Abuse Compensation Applications. The Claims Administrator has no discretion to extend a deadline for submission to any day after the Ultimate Claims Deadline.