**General Practice Services Committee Guideline**

(the “Prohibited Purposes”)

The Division shall not use Funding, or any interest/return generated by the Funding, to pay for:

1. programs/project support provided by another source of funding, including those infrastructure costs that are otherwise available to the Division through an initiative of the GPSC;
2. technology solutions provided through the Divisions IT infrastructure;
3. except as expressly provided herein, infrastructure costs attributable to a funding year other than the Funding Year, including but not limited to pre-payment of a lease or any other business expense attributable to a future funding year;
4. advertising, with the exception of physician recruitment ads;
5. compensation of clinical services unless otherwise stated in the respective FTA and funding guidelines;
6. purchase of new clinical equipment or tools used by physicians and/or clinicians that involve direct or indirect patient care, or patient information/data;
7. donations to any entity including charities, non profit organizations and political parties;
8. purchase of alcohol;
9. purchase of prizes for meeting attendees who are receiving sessional payment. For events where meeting attendees do not receive sessional payment, purchase of prizes are capped to $25/person to a maximum amount of $500/year in total;
10. capital projects or renovations where the funding responsibility rests elsewhere, unless otherwise stated in the FTA and funding guidelines;
11. medical clinical research projects;
12. physician sessional time to attend events where the primary intent is to socialize, or to cover costs related to fitness or social activities (e.g., gym memberships, ski tickets, golfing fees, yoga sessions, movie nights); Attendees who do not have a direct role in the Division (i.e., family members) cannot have their individual expenses covered by GPSC and/or be remunerated for their participation time;
13. accommodation costs for locum or medical students/resident placements;
14. payment for Alternatively Paid Physicians (APP) and physicians with formal health authority leadership roles (e.g., department head, medical director, chief of staff). Physicians should consult with their health authority regarding their participation in specific Divisions activities to determine whether the activities are Services under their existing health authority contract. Alternatively paid physicians (e.g., receives compensation through service contract, salary or sessionals) and physicians in formal health authority leadership roles can only submit claims for Divisions activities if they are not already being paid for that work under their alternative payment arrangement, health authority contract, or by another party;
15. sessional payments to residents and are only permitted under extraordinary circumstances. Prior approval for sessional reimbursement must be received by Primary & Community Care Transformation leadership. Expenses will be covered as appropriate;
16. other potential costs or purposes as the GPSC may determine from time to time.