Payment of Pension to Persons Pensioners are Required to Maintain

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This policy replaces the following PPM policy: Article 41(2) - Payment of Pension to Persons Pensioners are Required to maintain.

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The purpose of this policy is to provide direction on subsection 41(2) of the <u>Pension Act</u>, regarding the payment of a pension to another person, at the request of the pensioner.

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1. There is no provision in the *Pension Act* that permits the Department to pay, at the request of a pensioner in receipt of a pension paid at a rate set out in one of classes one to sixteen, the additional pension directly to the

- person in respect of whom it is payable. Therefore, if such a request is made, the pensioner must be advised that the additional pension is only payable to him/her (i.e. the pensioner), and on a proof-of-support basis.
- 2. A "person in respect of whom additional pension is payable in accordance with Schedule I" may be a spouse, common-law partner or dependent child or parent.
- 3. The portion of pension that may be paid is the amount of additional pension payable plus an equivalent amount from the pensioner's pension. For example, in the case where a pensioner is receiving a monthly pension of \$100.00 (including \$20.00 additional pension), the maximum amount they may request to have paid directly to the person in respect of whom additional pension is payable is \$40.00 (\$20.00 additional pension plus an equivalent amount of \$20.00). The balance of \$60.00 would be paid to the pensioner.

References

Pension Act, subsection 41(2)