

## Platform Commitments Implementation Option

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### Context:

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### It is important to note upfront that:

- Significant additional analysis is required of the costs (program and administrative), the IT impacts and the authority requirements to implement the proposal.
- Timelines for implementation will require further investigation.
- Process around a contract for health professionals will also require further investigation as to system implications.
- Scoping out of system redesign could run parallel to work on legislative changes.

### Platform Commitments:

- **Rapid-Response Service:** Move forward with a new rapid-response service staffed by social workers, case management counsellors, and peer support workers and proactively reach out to every Canadian veteran to make sure that they know about the help available, and how to access it.
- **Free Counselling Services:** To help ease the stigma that many may feel about starting a disability claim, and to make sure that every veteran gets the help they need, we will give our veterans up to \$3,000 in free counselling services before a disability claim is required.
- **Automatic Approval of Common Conditions:** To simplify and shorten the process (of applying for benefits), we will move forward with automatic approval for the most common disability applications, including depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, and arthritis, among others.

### Proposed Option:

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