



New CFCSA Tariff

As announced in the recent Message to the Tariff Bar, the Legal Services Society will implement a simplified CFCSA tariff on November 17, 2010. The simplified tariff will apply to all referrals with a date of interview/assignment after November 16, 2010. You can continue to bill referrals issued prior to November 17, 2010 under the existing tariff until your referral stop date (or for a maximum period of two years from November 17, 2010).

The simplified tariff involves the consolidation of multiple tariff items into a more flexible structure that is similar to the Family Tariff. The CFCSA Tariff now totals just 11 items, including a new closing fee and extended services. Extended services will be considered upon request for cases that are complex and require additional hours. Counsel will be required to submit a simple Extended CFCSA Services Opinion Checklist to Case Management when requesting extended services. To see highlights of the changes and a brief summary of the new tariff items, please go to [Highlights of the new CFCSA tariff](#) page on the LSS website at www.lss.bc.ca.

Length of new referrals

All CFCSA referrals issued as of November 17, 2010 will have a service stop date of two years from the date of interview/assignment, meaning that referrals will end after two years. If the client has ongoing coverable legal issues beyond two years, LSS will provide a new referral. Upon request, LSS will consider extending the service stop date beyond two years, for example, where counsel has a court date set for an upcoming hearing.

New LSS tariff guide

The new CFCSA chapter in the renamed *LSS Tariffs* guide will be available on November 16, 2010 on the LSS website at www.lss.bc.ca under Lawyers — LSS Tariffs.

You will also see that the new form for requesting Extended CFCSA Services is available on the LSS website under Lawyers — Forms and questionnaires.

As always, we welcome your feedback regarding the new LSS tariffs. If you have any comments, please e-mail them to lawyersresources@lss.bc.ca.

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