



## MINISTERIAL DIRECTIVE

### Medical Travel Ministerial Policies MD 2019-06

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#### 1. Background

The Minister of Health and Social Services has approved revisions to the Medical Travel Ministerial Policies. The Medical Travel Ministerial Policies provide the framework for implementing and administering the Medical Travel program.

The implementation and administration of the Ministerial Policies, excluding the Appeal Process Policy, is delegated to the Northwest Territories Health and Social Services Authority (NTHSSA) by the Deputy Minister. The NTHSSA, through the Medical Travel office, coordinates the Medical Travel program for all of NWT including Hay River and the Tlicho region.

#### 2. Purpose

This Directive is issued to formalize the delegation of the implementation and administration of the Medical Travel program to the NTHSSA on behalf of the Department of Health and Social Services.

The Directive also serves to establish reporting requirements in accordance with the Executive Council Medical Travel Policy (49.06), s.5(2)(a)(v) and s.5(2)(b)(ii). To this end, the NTHSSA will report Medical Travel program usage rates and exceptions in a mutually agreed upon timeframe to allow the Department of Health and Social Services to report annually to the public.

#### 3. Exceptions

No exceptions.

**4. Amendment**

The Minister may amend this Directive from time to time.

**5. Effective Date**

This Directive comes into effect on June 1, 2019.

**6. Expiration Date**

This Directive is in effect, as amended from time to time, until it is repealed by the Minister.

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Glen Abernethy  
Minister of Health and Social Services

May 31, 2019

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Date