

Final Action Plan – File Closure – 394-2-34
Evaluation of the Canada – New Brunswick Initiative

Recommendations	Actions Taken	Update
<p>1) Program accreditation: it is in the interest of both parties to explore the possibility of recognizing certain provincially sponsored programs as interventions that may not be accredited but that are nonetheless important to the process of reintegration for federal offenders.</p>	<p>The program accreditation process was reviewed by the Correctional Service of Canada's Executive Committee (EXCOM) in the fall of 2006. The decision was made by EXCOM not to require accreditation of provincially delivered programs (October, 2006).</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p>
<p>2) Funding Issues: The costing model jointly developed by both parties should be re-examined periodically to ensure that funding towards the Community Investment Program can be maintained.</p>	<p>The Business Case (January 2004) recommends that the federal per diem calculation from the previous Agreement be continued.</p> <p>The new Agreement (signed April 2004) keeps the federal per diem at the same rate but adds: "The incremental per diem will be adjusted on an annual basis, to take into account the benefits and services to federal offenders under this agreement."</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p>
<p>3) Women Offenders: the inclusion of women in any subsequent Agreement would address many of the 'small population issues' New Brunswick finds when developing and providing institutional programming for its female population.</p>	<p>The new Agreement (signed April 2004) includes the opportunity to provide women offender services as outlined in Section 72:</p> <p>"Beyond the proposals set forth above, the parties agree to continue to seek further opportunities for collaboration in pursuit of the jointly elaborated vision for corrections in New Brunswick. This may include programs, services and interventions for female offenders, older offenders, and aboriginal offenders, as well as community capacity building, consistency in standards; staff training and development, training of community service providers and the provision of standard information and communication to victims."</p>	<p>COMPLETED</p>