



LMDA Programs

THE LABOUR MARKET DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (LMDA) PROVIDES FUNDING FOR TRAINING AND SUPPORT SERVICES TO CANADIANS WHO ARE EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ELIGIBLE.

What is the LMDA?

On February 27, 1998 the Government of the Northwest Territories signed the Labour Market Development Agreement with the Government of Canada which would ensure funding for the delivery of employment and training programs and services to individuals who are eligible for Employment Insurance (EI).

There are six programs under the LMDA that the Department of Education, Culture and Employment administers.

Building Essential Skills (BES)

BES is a short-term, financial assistance program providing access to training or education needed to get or retain employment. It aims to minimize the student/worker debt load and provides assistance to individuals, not institutions. Individuals are expected to financially contribute towards these costs.

Self-Employment (SEO)

Financial assistance is available to assist individuals through the process of business plan development. Individuals must be starting a new business or taking over an existing business in which they have had no prior ownership.

Training-on-the-Job (TOJ)

A wage subsidy program designed to financially assist employers in training a northern workforce to obtain the necessary skills to obtain and keep meaningful work.

Youth Employment (YEP)

Provides opportunities to help youth, and particularly summer students, obtain essential skills while on the job.

Employment Assistance Services (EAS)

EAS activities help individuals prepare for the workforce, find work, or maintain employment. These activities can be delivered internally by Career Development Officers (CDOs) at Regional ECE Service Centres, or by third party organizations/employers.

Local Labour Market Partnerships (LLMP)

LLMP support community partners in identifying economic trends, creating strategies, and initiating projects to develop a responsive local labour force. Activities must address a community labour market need.

Building and Learning (BL)

The BL program provides support for third party organizations that are looking to deliver community and regional activities aimed at engaging unemployed persons in the labour market.

