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Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Ministry of Health offers further support to Métis citizens undergoing cancer treatment

September 10, 2020 – Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Ministry of Health is pleased to provide support to Métis citizens experiencing cancer treatment. On July 24, 2020, MN–S introduced a Cancer Transporation Pilot Program to reimburse eligible citizens and family members needing to travel to medical appointments. MN–S is continuing to support cancer patients with a pilot project to help with costs for healthy food.

"MN-S Ministry of Health knows one of the keys to recovery is a healthy, balanced diet. Purchasing healthy food while away from one's home is a costly venture that can cause undue stress on top what cancer patients are already going through," said Health Minister Marg Friesen.

With the assistance of the FoodRescue.ca Emergency Fund, through Agri-Food Canada's Second Harvest initiative, a six-month pilot project will provide patients with payments for healthy food. This will be in conjunction with and complementary to financial reimbursements for gas and parking under the Cancer Transportation Pilot Project, announced last month.

To find out more about this pilot project, contact CPAC Project Coordinator, Tayna Pruden at 306-291-4758 or email <u>tpruden@mns.work</u>. Applicants should be registered citizens of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, or family members of registered MN–S citizens to be recipients of this program.

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