



**PRAIRIE NORTH REGIONAL  
HEALTH AUTHORITY**

**POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

**Number: 15564**  
**Category: Continuing Care**  
**Title: Assessment & Approval Process**

**Approved by: VP Integrated Health Services**

<b>Review</b>					
<b>Date:</b>					
<b>Initial:</b>					

**Source: Home Care Managers**  
**Date Effective: December 18, 2008**

**PURPOSE**

Use of the standardized assessment tool and process ensures:

- a) entry to Home Care and long-term care services and placement will be done in a consistent, fair way.
- b) equitable and consistent services are allocated across the Prairie North Health Region.
- c) use of a consistent assessment tool.

**POLICY**

Prairie North Regional Health Authority must ensure that an assessment and approval process is in place to make decisions regarding care and to guarantee consistency in the determination of client need for service.