

# Patient Attachment Incentive Trust

## Data Update

February 2019

The \$6.4 million Patient Attachment Incentive Trust was announced by government and Doctors Nova Scotia as part of an investment to improve access to primary care. Family doctors are eligible for a one-time incentive of \$150 per patient for accepting someone from the 811 Need a Family Practice Registry. It is also available to family doctors who take on new patients referred from an emergency department or a practice where a doctor is retiring or moving. The incentive took effect on April 1, 2018.

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### January 2019

- 2,644 patients accepted by a family practice
- 6 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

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### *Past Data*

#### December 2018

- 2,364 patients accepted by a family practice
- 12 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

#### November 2018

- 4,866 patients accepted by a family practice
- 15 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

#### October 2018

- 2,898 patients accepted by a family practice
- 22 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

## September 2018

- 1,955 patients accepted by a family practice
- 16 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

## August 2018

- 1,986 patients accepted by a family practice
- 23 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

## July 2018

- 2,226 patients accepted by a family practice
- 33 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

## June 2018

- 2,417 patients accepted by a family practice
- 92 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

## May 2018

- 2,011 patients accepted by a family practice
- 142 physicians claimed the incentive for the first time

## April 2018

- 882 patients accepted by a family practice
- 177 physicians claimed the incentive