**Vacation Travel Assistance Update**

April 1st, 2015

To: Designated Departmental Contacts, Isolated Posts and Government Housing

The purpose of this notice is to provide departments and agencies with the new [Vacation Travel Assistance](http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/hr-rh/gtla-vgcl/vta-avv/141001-eng.asp) (VTA) rates which are effective and published April 1, 2015 for all isolated locations under the Isolated Posts and Government Housing Directive (IPGHD).

Please be aware that there were a number of changes to airline services that have resulted in significant variations in the VTA rates.  Departments are encouraged to review the rates carefully to ensure that employees are notified accordingly and adjustments are made appropriately.

Departments are reminded to distribute this notice to employees at your headquarters and regional offices who are involved in the administration of the isolated posts allowances. Departmental employees or regional staff should direct any questions on this subject to the appropriate departmental corporate official. [View the list of Designated Departmental Contacts](http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/pubs_pol/hrpubs/ipgh-dpill/ddhc-cmdl-eng.asp).

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