

Employment Services for Newcomers in BC

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<p>EPBC (Employment Program of BC)</p> <p>Also known as WorkBC Resource Centres</p>	<p>Across BC, there are 73 EPBC contracts, one for each geographical region.</p> <p>Sub-contractors provide specialized services for newcomers to Canada.</p> <p>Larger contractors include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back in Motion Rehab • GT Hiring Solutions • TII Training Innovations • Open Door Social Services Society <p>Full list of EPBC contractors.</p>	<p>All BC job seekers may access self-serve centres.</p> <p>Eligibility for additional services varies. Basic requirements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over age 16 • SIN # starts with 1-8 • Unemployed or work less than 20 hrs / week • Not a full-time student <p>Detailed eligibility information.</p>	<p>EPBC services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-serve resources • Case management • Group workshops • Self-employment services • Training services • Work experience or job placement • Apprentice services • Financial supports <p>Detailed breakdown of services.</p>	<p>Funded through the Canada (HRSDC)/BC Labour Market Development Agreement (LMDA)</p> <p>Administered by the Province's Ministry of Social Development</p>	<p>Obtain employment or in some cases community attachment (unpaid work experience) as quickly as possible</p>
<p>Job Options BC</p>	<p>Service providers vary by service region.</p> <p>The providers for Vancouver are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coast Foundation Society • Immigrant Services Society of BC (ISSBC) • Multi-Lingual Orientation Service (MOSAIC) <p>Full list of providers.</p>	<p>BC residents who are unemployed and not receiving EI.</p> <p>Eligible participants must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over age 18 • Legally entitled to work in Canada • Not a student • Not participating in another Labour Market Agreement (LMA) funded program 	<p>Job Options BC services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 to 6 weeks of group activities, including assessment, life skills, job-finding clubs and employability skills • Employer, community-based, or volunteer work experience • Up to 6 months of follow-up support 	<p>Funded through the Canada (HRSDC)/BC Labour Market Agreement (LMA)</p> <p>Administered by the Province's Ministry of Jobs, Tourism, and Skills Training</p>	<p>Gain skills, confidence, and work experience in order to secure employment</p>

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Settlement and Integration Program - Labour Market Services	<p>Service providers include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S.U.C.C.E.S.S. • ISSBC • MOSAIC • DIVERSEcity • Abbotsford Community Services Society • Inter-Cultural Association of Greater Victoria <p>Full list of providers.</p>	<p>Newcomers to Canada requiring settlement support including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent Residents • Naturalised Citizens • Refugees and Refugee Claimants • Live-In Caregivers <p>Eligibility may change with transition in April 2014.</p>	<p>Settlement labour market services vary in each organization but may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career mentoring • Short-term employment-focused programs • Labour market / job search workshops 	<p>Funded through the Canada (HRSDC)/BC Labour Market Agreement (LMA)</p> <p>Administered by the Province's Ministry of Jobs, Tourism, and Skills Training</p>	<p>Equip newcomers with the skills, information and support they need to enter into the labour market and contribute to the economy</p>
Skills Connect for Immigrants	<p>There are 5 main agencies that deliver Skills Connect services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASPECT • Back in Motion Rehab • Douglas College • ISSBC • Training Innovations Inc. <p>Subcontractors support these organizations to provide regional services.</p>	<p>Skilled immigrants who do not require completely new credentials or extensive language upgrading.</p> <p>Participants must have/be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Become a PR within 5 yrs • A min of 3 yrs pre-arrival work experience in a profession or trade • Intermediate to advanced English • Unemployed (and non-EI) or employed in a job outside their field <p>Some exceptions may apply.</p>	<p>Skills Connect services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of prior skills, qualifications, and experiences • Career counseling and planning • Skill upgrading • Workplace practice opportunities, such as mentoring <p>Specialized services for Health Professionals are offered by Douglas College and Back in Motion Rehab.</p>	<p>Funded through the Canada (HRSDC)/BC Labour Market Agreement (LMA) and the BC Ministry of Jobs, Tourism, and Skills Training</p> <p>Part of the WelcomeBC Initiative</p>	<p>Secure employment relevant to previously acquired skills and experience from home country</p> <p>80% of participants have found a meaningful career that uses their skills and training</p>