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Review community eligibility criteria to ensure that it reflects NNC program objectives.	Recommendations on community eligibility based on NNC program objectives will be developed. Key NC governance bodies (Advisory Board and Oversight Committee) and partners such as Health Canada will be consulted.	March 2014	Status: Completed – Closed  A review of community eligibility criteria has been conducted and the definition of an eligible community has been determined. Additional work is required to assess the proposed criteria and how it will be applied.	
			Additional work is being undertaken to develop community profiles that include all 133 communities eligible for the former Food Mail program and other reserve communities. Profiles will include information on population, access to supply centers, cost of food and seasonal transportation links and costs. This community analysis will assist the program in identifying other communities that may meet the eligibility criteria.	
			Input from the Advisory Board will be sought at its next meeting, planned for Fall 2014. Other partners will also be consulted as needed.  Update/Rationale:	
			As of 30/06/2014:	
			<ul> <li>An internal evaluation report (September 2013) recommended a review of community eligibility criteria to ensure that it reflects program objectives.</li> <li>It should be noted, however, that even with the established eligibility criteria, the potential</li> </ul>	

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Review current governance	e a) The purpose, role, and	November 2013	for adding new communities to the program will have to be carefully examined due to additional cost.  AES:  Recommendations fully implemented. Closed.
structures in order to: a) Clarify the purpose, role and responsibilities to ensure for an effective Oversight Committee; b) Clarify the purpose, role and responsibilities of the Advisory Board, taking into consideration the level of resources required on the part of program management to support those activities	responsibilities of the NNC Oversight Committee will be examined and clarified. b) The purpose and role and responsibilities of the Advisory Board will be reviewed	February 2014	Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2014:  (a) The purpose, role, membership and meeting frequency of the NNC Oversight Committee was reviewed, and recommendations made to the Minister.  (b) The purpose and role of the Advisory Board was reviewed, leading to revised Terms of Reference being recommended to the Minister.  AES: Recommendations fully implemented. Closed.

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3. Review the current communication strategy in order to better coordinate communication and activities between AANDC and Health Canada.  Output  Description:	A shared communications approach will be developed in the Fall of 2013.	November 2013	Status: Completed - Closed  Update/Rationale: As of 31/12/2013:  A joint draft communication strategy has been developed and will be operationalized in Q1 of 2015.  AES: Recommendation fully implemented. Closed.
4. Continue to develop data collection systems and tools in support of ongoing performance measurement, to support the program's collection of data to measure longer-term outcomes.	Appropriate tools and systems to collect and analyze trends are being designed and will be implemented.	March 2014	Status: Completed - Closed  Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2014: The database in support of ongoing performance measurement is developed, and will move to the production phase (be operational) on April 9, 2014.  AES: Recommendation fully implemented. Closed.

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5. Coordinate departmental efforts with provincial and territorial partners to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the respective food subsidy programs in the North.	Discussions will be held with willing provinces and territories in order to better coordinate efforts with respect to food subsidy programs in the North.	March 2015	Status: Ongoing  Update/Rationale: As of 30/09/2014:  The program has developed community profiles, identified programs which are complementary to NNC in various jurisdictions, and a statement of work to review the subsidy model and to increase awareness of the NNC program. This work will help identify opportunities to better align with various initiatives, and support the discussions that will be held with the willing provinces and territories.  AES: Good progress to date. Report back Q1 2015-2016. June 2015 EPMRC Meeting.