

## Maximizing the Resources Related to Eligibility for the Disability Tax Credit (DTC)

When a child is approved for the Disability Tax Credit (DTC), that's only half the battle.\*\*\* It may surprise a lot of parents to know that if benefits related to the DTC are not requested correctly and specifically, they won't be provided by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). There are several ancillary benefits beyond basic tax credits and the Child Disability Benefit (CDB) supplements to the Child Tax Benefit. CRA won't notify you or assist you if you miss out on maximizing these resources; that's your responsibility, not CRA's. It's up to you or your representative to get it right. CRA can make mistakes in calculating benefits even when the requests are right. You need an expert who can check the figures. It's not uncommon to have two different departments at CRA brought in to work out credits and benefits and some of the calculations have to be done manually, which can lead to errors. I was once brought in to work for a family who had a child already approved for the DTC. However, their representative lacked expertise in the field and I found that there was a shortfall in resources granted of over \$10,000. Fortunately we were within adjustment timeframes so I was able to recover these resources which will prove so valuable to this family and their child's future. I have also assisted a client who had a shortfall of over \$5,000 due to an error by CRA. Working with us, you know you have the expertise to ensure you receive all the tax credits and benefits your family is entitled to if your child is found eligible for the DTC. Sincerely,

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