

**Daily Schedule:**

Start: 9:00AM

End: 5:00PM

Breaks: 15mins @ 10:30AM and 2:30PM, 1 Hour at 12:00PM

Run the **GWA-OW Calculator** software by double-clicking on the icon found on your desktop. Type in **ADMIN** in the username field and **ADMIN** in the password field and then click the OK button.

**Topics To Be Covered In This Module: Case Intake / Update Screens & Procedures** **Client Access Screen**

- How to quickly search for applicants
- Applying various filters

 **“Basic Information” - Case / Benefit Unit Information**

- Case IDs: the recommended methods and why you should use them
- Data entry techniques, tips & tricks with various fields
- Reason for applying – proper code use and starting dates
- Reason for terminating – proper code use and statistics discussion
- Setting case flags properly and how this affects your entitlements, payments, claims, etc.
- Payment methods:
  - Cheque
  - Debit Card Payments (e.g. Northern Store)
  - Direct Bank Deposit
- Identifying clients that should be put on hold
- Tracking cases referred to ODSP
- “Spouse Info” Tab**
  - Transferring a spouse to another case file
  - Converting a spouse to a new case file – when to use it and why
- “Children Info” Tab**
  - Transferring Dependents Between Case Files
  - Setting up a “Holding” file

 **“Form 1 Information” – Application For Assistance: Part 1**

- Proper input of information, restrictions/limitations and/or workarounds

 **“Verification Checklist”**

- Default follow-up periods, how and when to override them
- How the information ties into the 30/60/90 days past due notices the system can create

 **“Caseworker Notes”**

- Why you should use the notes.
- Using note types and categories to organize your notes.
- Using the “Bring Forward” date.
- Using filters when reviewing and printing notes.
- “Finalizing” notes for security purposes.
- Printing Notes: Sorting, paper layouts, etc.

- “Entitlement Calculation”**
  - When to update budgets and when it is not required
  - “Benefit Unit & Shelter” Tab**
    - Accessing the Special Diet schedule lookup
    - Data entry and how it ties into the Form 1
  - “Earnings & Income” Tab**
    - Earnings Exemption scenarios
  - “Ontario Works” Tab**
    - Overpayment Recovery: manual and automatic features
    - Pro-rating Entitlements
  - “Discretionary & Mandatory Benefits” Tab**
  - “100% Provincial” Tab**
    - Using the TCB benefit and repayment calculator spreadsheets
    - Setting the review date
  - “Suppliers & Summary” Tab**
    - Deductions (or Pay Directs) for monthly clients.
    - When to use supplier deductions / pay direct.
    - Adding Suppliers “on the fly”.
    - Removing a supplier deduction / pay direct.
- “Income Statement History”**
  - Entering statements for earners in the benefit unit
  - How these are used in your Employment Assistance Statistics report
- Bring Forward / Reminders**
- Files Links**
- Age Of Benefit Unit Members**
- Printing Out Mandatory Reports & Forms**
  - Client Information (including Budget Worksheet Info)
  - Application For Assistance – Part 1: Financial Assistance
  - Application For Assistance – Part 2: Participation Agreement (includes filling part of it out)
  - Consent To Disclose
  - Verification Checklist
  - Rights & Responsibilities
  - Declaration Of Support & Maintenance
  - Authorizations – when & why you should use them
  - Literacy Screening Test – when to print them
  - Pregnancy/Breast-feeding Allowance
  - Special Diet Allowance
  - Temporary Care Allowance
- Miscellaneous**
  - Search For Name:** How to look for a person referenced somewhere in the system
  - Bulk Caseworker Notes:** Entering “bulk” caseworker notes (one note to many case files)