



Criminal Case Management policy and procedures

The Legal Services Society (LSS) will implement **Criminal Case Management (CCM)** policy and procedures on August 3, 2012. CCM applies to all criminal cases where the preliminary hearing or trial is scheduled to last more than 20 half days.

CCM policy and procedures take current practice under SCAP and Large Criminal Cases and create one overarching policy for all cases subject to CCM. Highlights of the policy and procedures, which are largely unchanged from current practice, include: confidentiality obligations, the factors LSS considers when setting budgets, case management requirements, change of counsel guidelines, and LSS's responsibility to ensure the accused has appropriate representation.

The CCM policy was prepared in consultation with the Criminal Tariff Advisory Committee and LSS's criminal case review lawyers.

The new CCM policy will be available on August 3, 2012 on the **LSS website** under Lawyers — LSS policies.

As always, we welcome your feedback regarding new policies. If you have any comments, please email them to **lawyersresources@lss.bc.ca**.

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