

**Revised Illinois NTG Framework
April, 2013**

- Where a program design and its delivery methods are relatively stable over time, and an Illinois evaluation of that program has an estimated NTG ratio, that ratio can be used prospectively until a new evaluation estimates a new NTG ratio.
- In cases that fall under the paragraph above, once new evaluation results exists, these would be used going forward, to be applied in subsequent program years following their determination until the next evaluation, and so on.
- For new programs, planning value NTG ratios will be used prospectively until an evaluation estimates a NTG ratio, then the new ratio would be used going forward, to be applied in subsequent program years following their determination until the next evaluation, and so on.
- ~~○ For existing and new programs not yet evaluated, and previously evaluated programs undergoing significant changes — either in the program design or delivery, or changes in the market itself — NTG ratios established through evaluations would be used retroactively, but could also then be used prospectively if the program does not undergo continued significant changes, similar to the first paragraph above.~~
- ~~○ For programs falling under the third paragraph above, deeming a NTG ratio prospectively may be appropriate if: the program design and market are understood well enough to estimate with reasonable accuracy an initial NTG (e.g., based on evaluated programs elsewhere); or it is determined that the savings and benefits of the program are not sufficient to devote the evaluation resources necessary to better estimate a NTG ratio.~~
- Using this framework as a reference, each year the Illinois stakeholder group will make a recommendation on NTG values prior to the start of each planning year to the Commission. The stakeholder group may choose to modify NTG results from the evaluation results. Past evaluations or evaluations from other jurisdictions can be used as part of this consideration.
- If the SAG is not in unanimous agreement in its recommendation, any recommendation that has the support of more than a majority of SAG members will be submitted to the Commission along with a discussion and enumeration of the dissenting opinions.

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