
Continuing Care Facility Per Diem Costs

General Principle

Under the adult institutional care services program, persons may be admitted to provincially licensed continuing care facilities.

The provincial Ministry of Health Services establishes the facility Per Diem Costs.

The facility Per Diem Cost is paid by the client (User Charge) and the funding agency (Funding Agency Charge). See Chapters 2.6 Vol. 2, Client User Charges and 2.7 Vol. 2, Responsibility for the Payment of Continuing Care Facility Per Diem Costs.

Procedures

Prior to approval of payment of an account from a facility, the administering authority must ensure that the facility is provincially licensed under the authority of the *Community Care and Assisted Living Act*. This information is available by contacting the local health authority.

Continuing Care Facilities

Continuing care facilities are licensed under the authority of the provincial *Community Care and Assisted Living Act*. Entry into continuing care facilities is available only to individuals who are assessed by the health authority, as eligible for residential placement.

The approved facility Per Diem Cost considers the client's assessed level of care and covers standard accommodation, meals (including therapeutic diets), laundry, necessary emergency and routine treatment supplies, skilled care with professional supervision and a planned program of social and recreational activities.

The approved facility Per Diem Cost does not include items for the exclusive personal use of the client, for example, personal hygiene and grooming supplies, personal dry cleaning, personal telephone, personal cable television, personal newspapers and personal periodicals.

The applicable facility Per Diem Cost for a continuing care facility can be obtained by contacting the local health authority.

Facilities with Less Than 15 Beds

Facility Per Diem Costs are set by each health authority and may vary significantly between regions. **Administering authorities must contact their local health authority to ensure that they are aware of the current continuing care facility Per Diem Costs for their area.**

The following costs are provided as an **example only**. These costs are not to be used for calculations:

*** EXAMPLE ONLY ***

	“Example” Facility Per Diem Costs Contact your local health authority for the current rates for your area.
Personal Care	\$42.76 (Check for current cost)
Intermediate Care I	\$53.77 (Check for current cost)
Intermediate Care II	\$64.66 (Check for current cost)
Intermediate Care III	\$84.02 (Check for current cost)

Note: The daily client User Charge and the Funding Agency Charge is included in the above facility Per Diem Costs. For example, if the client is assessed at Intermediate Care Level III that has a facility Per Diem Cost of \$84.02, the client will pay a User Charge of \$27.60 (based on the client’s annual remaining income of less than \$7,000) and the administering authority will pay the remainder (Funding Agency Charge) of \$56.42 (see Chapter 2.6 Vol. 2, Client User Charges and 2.7 Vol. 2, Responsibility for the Payment of Continuing Care Facility Per Diem Costs, for more information).

Facilities with More Than 15 Beds

The facility Per Diem Costs for continuing care facilities with more than 15 beds are established by the local health authority. These rates are determined annually and are specific to each individual facility.