

Do I have to pay for my AADL benefits?

Yes. AADL is a cost-share program. Clients pay 25% of the cost of their benefits, up to a maximum contribution of \$500 per family per benefit year (July 1 to June 30).

If you upgrade any benefits and the upgraded item costs more, you will have to pay the additional cost. This cost is not included in the \$500 cost-share maximum.

I can't afford to cost-share. Is there some assistance?

Low-income Albertans and those receiving income assistance do not pay the cost-share portion. Clients must fill out a cost-share exemption form available from authorizers, vendors or AADL.

Contact AADL directly if you receive assistance from:

- Alberta Widows' Pension;
- Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH); or
- Alberta Works Health Benefits.

You can appeal your cost-share status if the cost-share will create a financial hardship. Contact AADL for information on the cost-share appeal process.

More information

www.seniors.alberta.ca/AADL

Phone: 780-427-0731

To call toll-free, first dial 310-0000

Deaf or hard of hearing with TDD/TTY units:

In Edmonton area:
780-427-9999
Toll-free in Alberta:
1-800-232-7215

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Alberta Aids to Daily Living

P R O G R A M

The Alberta Aids to Daily Living (AADL) program helps Albertans with a long-term disability, chronic illness or terminal illness maintain their independence in their community through the provision of medical equipment and supplies to meet their basic, medically assessed needs.

Who is eligible?

You may be eligible if you:

- are a resident of Alberta;
- hold a valid and active Alberta Personal Health Card; and
- require assistance because of a long-term disability, chronic illness or terminal illness. (Long-term and chronic illnesses are those present for six months or more.)

In addition, each benefit has specific eligibility criteria that must be met.

Who is not eligible?

You may not be eligible for AADL benefits if you are eligible to receive comparable benefits through another source, including:

- Workers' Compensation Board;
- a private insurance plan;
- Veterans Affairs;
- Non-Insured Health Benefits for First Nations and Inuit.

AADL approved products and benefits

- Back and abdominal supports
- Bathing and toileting equipment*
- Burnscar garments
- Compression stockings and garments
- Custom-made footwear
- Custom-made ocular prostheses
- Dressing supplies
- Hearing aids and FM systems
- Homecare beds and accessories*
- Incontinence supplies (diapers and catheters)
- Injection supplies (not provided for insulin injections)
- Laryngectomy equipment and supplies
- Mastectomy prostheses
- Orthotic braces (not foot orthotics)
- Ostomy supplies
- Oxygen
- Patient lifters*
- Pressure reduction overlays*
- Prosthetic devices
- Respiratory equipment*
- Shoe elevations
- Specialized pediatric equipment*
- Specialized seating devices
- Therapeutic shoes with custom modifications (for high-risk foot clients)
- Transfer aids
- Walkers and walking aids

* Equipment may be recycled

- Wheelchair cushions and accessories
- Wheelchairs, manual and power*

AADL does not provide coverage for foot orthotics, IV supplies, eyeglasses, prescription drugs, dental care or dentures.

Where do I get my equipment or supplies?

If you are being assessed by an AADL Authorizer, you will be provided with a list of three AADL approved vendors from which to obtain your medical equipment or supplies. If you are being assessed by a specialty supplier, they will supply the benefit. For a full list of approved vendors, visit the AADL website, or contact your Authorizer or AADL.

Large equipment, such as a wheelchair or lift, will be loaned to you by AADL and can be delivered to you.

AADL will NOT refund clients who purchase their own medical equipment and supplies.

How do I apply?

You must first be assessed by a health care professional or specialty supplier to determine your basic medical needs and eligibility for the program.

To be assessed for any of the benefits below, contact an AADL Specialty Vendor through AADL:

- Oxygen and/or respiratory equipment
- Orthotic braces
- Prostheses
- Ocular prosthetics
- Mastectomy Prostheses
- Hearing aids

For all other benefits, you need to be assessed by an AADL Authorizer. To contact an Authorizer, call your local Alberta Health Services office. Information for locating your nearest Alberta Health Services office can be accessed through Health Link Alberta at 1-866-408-LINK (5465).