

# Long-term care costs

In Prince Edward Island 2020

## Residential Facilities

### How Nursing Homes are organized and administered

Nursing homes in Prince Edward Island are residential long term care facilities that provide accommodation, supervisory care, personal care and nursing and medical services on a 24-hour basis. "Nursing homes" refer to both publically supported manors and licensed nursing care beds in private nursing homes.

Costs	
	Per Day
Accommodation	\$92.19
Respite Care	\$92.19

Assessment and admission for a nursing home within Prince Edward Island is managed by the Department of Health and Wellness. The Department of Health and Wellness also sets fees for public nursing homes.

### Private Nursing Homes

A client may choose to live in a private nursing home and pay the full fees charged by the individual nursing home. Each individual private nursing home is in charge of its own admissions procedure, waiting lists and fees.

However, for residents of PEI, the government contributes up to \$92.19/day towards private nursing home health care costs, but not accommodation costs.

Costs	
	Monthly
Private Room	\$2,917.26 - \$4,554.59

### How Retirement Homes are organized and administered

A retirement home in Prince Edward Island is a multi-residence housing facility that provides accommodation and services such as meals and cleaning for older people. Retirement homes in the province are privately owned

and operated and not administered by the provincial government. Each facility usually provides a private or semi-private room or complete living suite and then also

provides common living quarters, including a lounge area, a common dining room, recreation rooms, cleaning services, social and/or religious programs and some basic health care services. The unit can be paid for on a monthly fee basis, like an apartment, or can in some instances be bought the same way as a condominium.

Costs	
Room Type	Monthly Rate
Private Room	\$2,499.34 - \$4,775.50
One Bedroom Suite	Not Available

Admission, fees and waiting lists for retirement homes are controlled by the homes themselves, not by the government. Admission usually depends on the ability to pay and absence of serious medical conditions that require professional nursing care. Residents are responsible for paying their own fees and government subsidies are not available for accommodation in a retirement residence.

## Home Care

### How Government -subsidized home care is organized and administered

Home support services are designed to help clients remain independent and in their own home as long as possible. Home care services include professional health care services as well as personal care services such as bathing, dressing, grooming and light household tasks that help to maintain a safe and supportive home.

In Prince Edward Island, home care is managed by the Home Care Department of the Department of Health and Wellness. Referrals can be made to Department of Health and Wellness by the individual requiring care, a family or friend. A care co-ordinator will conduct a home care assessment which involves looking at care services that an individual is eligible to receive based on his/her needs as well as the ability of the family to provide care. The hours of care granted by the Department of Health and Wellness depend upon assessment. The tentative maximum for home care is 28 hours per week.

#### Costs

There are no charges for home care. All home care is publicly funded

### Private home care - no government subsidy

Home care resources through the Department of Health and Wellness are limited and go to the neediest. As a result, many clients get inadequate amounts of home care services and have to rely on private home care services to receive the appropriate amount of care.

#### Costs

Type of Service	Provincial Rate (per hour)
In home meal preparation	\$25.75 - \$26.25
Personal Care (bathing/dressing)	\$25.75 - \$27.75
Skilled Nursing*	\$50.00 - \$64.00
24-hour live-in care	\$25.75 - \$65.00

*\* Fees listed are for RNs however, these fees may vary depending on the type of nurse, such as a Registered Nurse (RN) or a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), delivering the care.*

### How adult day care programs work

Adult day program are designed for dependent adults/seniors, physically located in the community, to provide a safe group setting during the day when family members are not available to care for them. These centres are usually open daily, Monday through Friday (some on Saturday as well). They provide a secure, caring and positive setting for those who are experiencing memory loss, communication disorders, social isolation or physical disabilities. Nutritious lunch meals are provided which usually accommodate any special diet, along with an afternoon snack. Participants need to be mobile, with the possible assistance of a cane, walker or wheelchair. Adult day programs can be public or private, non-profit or for-profit.

#### Costs

	Daily Rate
Includes meals	\$5.00 - \$6.00

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