

Long-term care costs in the Northwest Territories 2017

Residential facilities

How government-subsidized nursing homes work

Nursing homes provide 24-hour professional nursing care and supervision for people who have complex care needs and can't be cared for in their own homes.

Assessment, waiting lists and admission into a nursing home are managed by the Health and Social Services Authority, who are regulated by the Department of Health and Social Services, and reviewed by the Territorial Admissions Committee (TAC). A client contacts them to arrange for an assessment. If the assessment shows the client requires nursing home level of care, they can enter a nursing home.

An income assessment isn't required. Nursing home fees are subsidized by the government and there isn't any additional subsidy available on these fees.

Costs

Accommodation Maximum \$772.00 per month

This covers room and board and medical services. Personal items and additional services are the responsibility of the client. Nursing homes fees are covered by pensions given for seniors and no government subsidy is needed. Every client receives a pension that is sufficiently large enough to cover nursing home fees.

Home care

How government-subsidized home care works

Home support services are designed to help clients remain independent and in their own home for as long as possible. Home support provides personal assistance with daily activities, such as bathing, dressing, grooming and household tasks.

The Health and Social Services Authority conducts an assessment to determine the needs and develop a care plan.

- The amount of care and support is based on the assessment and availability.
- Housekeeping services are limited to a maximum of four hours per month.

Costs

Homecare is entirely subsidized by the government.

How the adult day care program works

Adult day programs are designed for special needs adults, 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, Mondays through Fridays (some on Saturdays as well). Adult Day programs can be public or private, non-profit or for-profit.

Adult day programs in the Northwest Territories are managed and operated by and accessed through the Health and Social Services Authority.

Costs

Adult day programs cost \$10.00/day.

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