

Schedule of Possible Eligible Expenses under the Extraordinary Medical Assistance Fund ("EMAF")

Confirmed Canadian Thalidomide Survivors have access to the Extraordinary Medical Assistance Fund ("EMAF") which is intended to help cover the cost of extraordinary health support costs of Canadian Thalidomide Survivors who have needs such as specialized surgeries or home or vehicle adaptations.

Survivors are able to submit requests to the EMAF to help cover the cost of home or vehicle adaptations even if the province or territory in which he or she resides has a similar program to assist with these expenses. As such, if a Survivor has applied to a provincial or territorial program for help with the cost of an extraordinary home or vehicle adaptation and are waiting to learn if it will be covered, the Survivor can choose to submit his or her claim to the EMAF for consideration instead.

The list of expenses below is a general list. This list is not all inclusive. There may be expenses not contemplated that may be eligible so please submit your EMAF application anyway if unsure. Some province or territorial plans may provide coverage for the expenses listed below. If you are unsure if your province or territorial plan covers a specific type of expense, please click [here](#) to check.

Category
Acupuncture NOT used on an ongoing basis
Alcohol and drug rehabilitation NOT used on an ongoing basis
Ambulance services may be considered depending upon application of service
Audiology in private practice NOT used on an ongoing basis
Automatic turning beds, containment beds, hospital beds and mattresses
Automobile modifications
Chiropody/Podiatry NOT used on an ongoing basis
Chiropractic services (excluding adjustments) NOT used on an ongoing basis
Dental services including anesthesia depending upon the application, NOT used on an ongoing basis
Drugs and medicines NOT used on an ongoing basis
Environmental Control Units may be considered depending upon application
Equipment for short term use may be considered depending upon equipment and application
Experimental or research program procedures
Gastric stapling or gastric bypass (stomach stapling) may be considered depending upon application of service
Highly specialized examinations
Home adaptations (e.g. ramps, elevators, porch lifts, chair lifts, kitchen modifications, bathroom adaptations etc.)
Homeopathy NOT used on an ongoing basis
Hypnotherapy NOT used on an ongoing basis
Massage therapy (licensed) NOT used on an ongoing basis
Naturopathic services NOT used on an ongoing basis
Nutritional services NOT used on an ongoing basis
Occupational therapy in private practice NOT used on an ongoing basis
Optometric services NOT used on an ongoing basis
Osteopathic services NOT used on an ongoing basis
Otoplasty (correction of prominent ears) for those over 18 years of age;
Oxygen therapy programs
Physiotherapy, speech therapy and psychology services NOT used on an ongoing basis
Preventive services and screening tests not supported by evidence of medical effectiveness (for example, whole body CT scans, prostate specific antigen (PSA) tests);
Private nursing/attendant care NOT used on an ongoing basis
Prosthetic devices or appliances, and artificial limbs
Services provided by a physician's assistant NOT used on an ongoing basis
Services provided by another paramedical personnel NOT used on an ongoing basis
Services provided in private non-approved Canadian diagnostic imaging facilities (e.g. MRI, CT, X-ray, etc.)
Services such as examinations, laboratory tests, x-rays and other procedures related to uninsured services
Specialized mobility devices (e.g. all terrain wheel chairs, geriatric wheelchairs, back up wheelchairs, scooters, seats on walkers, lift chairs, environmental controls on wheelchairs or an elevated seat in a wheelchair, stand up wheelchairs, tricycles)
Surgical supplies NOT used on an ongoing basis
Ventilators

Provincial/Territories Health Coverage Links / Liens couverture Santé Territoires provinciaux:

Alberta:

<http://www.health.alberta.ca/> (English Only)

<http://www.health.alberta.ca/AHCIP/what-is-covered.html> (English Only)

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British Columbia / Colombie-Britannique:

<http://gov.bc.ca/health/> (English Only)

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage> (English Only)

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Manitoba:

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/> (English)

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/mhsip/index.html> (English)

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/index.fr.html> (En français)

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/mhsip/index.fr.html> (En français)

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New Brunswick / Nouveau-Brunswick:

<http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/health.html> (English)

<http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/health/services.html> (English)

<http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/health/MedicarePrescriptionDrugPlan/content/medicare/CoverageandClaimsInsideNewBrunswick.html> (English)

<http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/fr/ministeres/sante.html> (En français)

<http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/fr/ministeres/sante/services.html> (En français)

<http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/fr/ministeres/sante/AssurancemaladiesMedicaments/content/assurance-maladie/Protection-et-factures-au-Nouveau-Brunswick.html> (En français)

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Newfoundland and Labrador / Terre-Neuve et Labrador:

<http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/mcp/index.html> (English)

<http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/mcp/healthplancoverage.html> (English)

http://www.exec.gov.nl.ca/frenchservices/french/government_info_french.html (En français)

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Northwest Territories / Territoires du nord-ouest:

<http://www.hss.gov.nt.ca/> (English)

<http://www.hss.gov.nt.ca/health-landing> (English)

<http://www.hss.gov.nt.ca/health/nwt-health-care-plan> (English)

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Nova Scotia / Nouvelle-Écosse:

<http://novascotia.ca/dhw/msi/> (English)

<http://novascotia.ca/dhw/programs-and-services.asp> (English)

<http://novascotia.ca/dhw/fr/> (En français)

<http://novascotia.ca/dhw/fr/initiatives-programmes.asp> (En français)

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Nunavut:

<http://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/health-care-card> (English)

<http://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/health-services> (English)

<http://gov.nu.ca/health/information/nunavut-health-care-plan> (English)

<http://www.gov.nu.ca/fr/health/information/carte-d%E2%80%99assurance-maladie> (En français)

<http://www.gov.nu.ca/fr/health/information/services-de-sant%C3%A9> (En français)

<http://gov.nu.ca/fr/health/information/r%C3%A9gime-d%E2%80%99assurance-maladie-du-nunavut-0> (En français)

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Ontario:

<http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/> (English)

<http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/public/programs/default.aspx> (English)

<http://www.health.gov.on.ca/fr/default.aspx> (En français)

<http://www.health.gov.on.ca/fr/public/programs/default.aspx> (En français)

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Prince Edward Island / Île-du-Prince-Édouard:

<http://www.healthpei.ca/healthcard> (English)

<http://www.healthpei.ca/index.php3?number=1045797&lang=E> (English)

<http://www.healthpei.ca/cartesante> (En français)

<http://www.healthpei.ca/index.php3?number=1045917&lang=F> (En français)

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Quebec / Québec:

<http://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/Pages/home.aspx> (English)

<http://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/health-insurance/Pages/health-insurance.aspx> (English)

<http://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/health-insurance/healthcare/Pages/medical-services.aspx> (English)

<http://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/fr/Pages/accueil.aspx> (En français)

<http://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/fr/citoyens/assurance-maladie/Pages/assurance-maladie.aspx> (En français)

<http://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/fr/citoyens/assurance-maladie/soins/Pages/services-medicaux.aspx> (En français)

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Saskatchewan:

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/government-structure/ministries/health> (English)

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/government-structure/ministries/health#programs-and-services> (English)

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/health/accessing-health-care-services/health-services-for-people-with-disabilities> (English)

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Yukon Territory / territoire du Yukon:

<http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/> (English)

<http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/healthservices.php> (English)

<http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/fr/index.php> (En français)

<http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/fr/healthservices.php> (En français)

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