



ALBERTA

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Office of the Minister

**Ministerial Order
No. 2018-21**

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 7 of the Schedule of the *Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Act* (the *Act*), the Minister may determine the amount of a personal benefit and the frequency with which a personal benefit may be provided for the purposes of Schedule 3 of the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped General Regulation (the Regulation);

AND WHEREAS *An Act to Combat Poverty and Fight for Albertans with Disabilities* provides for the annual adjustment of benefit amounts by the Alberta Consumer Price Index in accordance with the Act and Regulations;

I, IRFAN SABIR, Minister of Community and Social Services, effective January 1, 2019, pursuant to section 7 of the Schedule of the *Act*, establish the amounts of personal benefits and the frequencies with which personal benefits may be provided for the purposes of calculating benefit amounts under Schedule 3 of the Regulation, as set out in the attached Appendix.

DATED this 5th day of DECEMBER, 2018.

Irfan Sabir

Minister of Community and Social Services

APPENDIX

Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped General Regulation Schedule 3 – Personal Benefits

Personal Benefit	Section	Rate and Frequency
Travel	2	Travel - the most economical and reasonable means of transportation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • actual cost of public transportation; • \$0.31 per kilometer mileage rate; or • actual cost of taxi fare
		Food: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$21 per day for each adult • \$16 per day for each dependent child
		Accommodation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • actual reasonable cost
Child Care	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subsidized Child Care: actual cost of the parent portion of the child care costs • Private Child Care: actual cost up to \$5 per hour for the first dependent child, plus \$2 per hour for each additional dependent child, to a maximum of \$11 per hour • Child Care Registration Fee and Deposit: actual cost
Infant Needs	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$256 once per dependent infant child
Children's Education	5(a)	School Fees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$52 per year for each dependent child, age four or older, in pre-school or kindergarten • \$103 per year for each dependent child in grades 1 to 6 • \$179 per year for each dependent child in grades 7 to 12
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Lunch Supervision: actual cost of fees for a supervised school lunch program
Employment and Training Supports	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actual reasonable cost up to \$511 in a 12-month period
Addictions Treatment	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$40 per day
Special Goods and Services	8(1)(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Supplies: actual reasonable cost up to \$409 per month • Medical Equipment: actual reasonable cost up to \$2,042 per item • Equipment Maintenance: for wheelchair and scooter repairs, the rates and frequencies provided through the Alberta Aids to Daily Living (AADL) program
	8(1)(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low Sodium: \$21 per month • Low Cholesterol or Low Fat: \$21 per month • High Fiber: \$21 per month • High Calcium: \$21 per month • High Protein: \$21 per month

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lactose Free: \$21 per month • Low or High Potassium: \$21 per month • Pregnancy: \$26 per month until birth • Breast Feeding: \$31 per month for up to 12 months after birth • High Calorie: \$37 per month • AIDS or HIV: \$37 per month • Hepatitis C: \$37 per month • Heart Health: \$41 per month • Diabetes: \$41 per month • Milk Free: \$52 per month • Celiac or Gluten Free: \$82 per month • Renal Failure or Insufficiency: \$113 per month
	8(1)(c)	• actual cost up to \$307 in a 12-month period
	8(1)(d)	• \$52 per month
	8(1)(e)	• actual reasonable cost of essential Medical Alert Services, including initial set-up and ongoing fees
Moving Benefit	9(1)	• actual cost up to \$1,021 per circumstance provided to a client who is leaving an institution or an abusive situation
	9(2)	• actual reasonable cost
Remote Community Benefit	10	• \$41 per month for the client and each dependent child
Emergency	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ \$21 per day for the client ◦ \$16 per day for each dependent child • Accommodation: actual reasonable cost • Travel: actual cost of the most economical and reasonable means of transportation • Child Care: actual reasonable cost • Replacement Clothing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ \$219 for the client per circumstance ◦ \$164 for each dependent child per circumstance • Damage Deposit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Leaving an abusive situation: actual cost ◦ Other Emergency Circumstances: actual cost up to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$358 for single clients or clients with a cohabiting partner ▪ \$1,021 for clients with dependent children • Eviction Benefit for Outstanding Rental Arrears: actual cost up to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ \$358 for single clients or clients with a cohabiting partner ◦ \$1,021 for clients with dependent children • Utility Arrears: actual cost • Repairs to a Principal Residence: actual reasonable cost of essential repairs to a principal residence owned by the client and/or cohabiting partner

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repairs to Major Appliances: actual reasonable cost of essential repairs to a major appliance owned by the client and/or cohabiting partner • Other Emergency Goods and Services: actual reasonable cost up to \$1,021 per circumstance
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