

PROVINCE: SASKATCHEWAN

Gatekeeper: Saskatchewan Health Authority. [Saskatchewan Health Authority](#).

Access: The health authority contact in your community will assign you an Assessor Coordinator/Client Care Coordinator who will review, determine the type of care you require, and approve admission to a special care home.

Eligibility: An assessment looks at several factors, such as:

- Functional ability
- Physical health
- Mental status
- Living environment
- Informal support system
- Social relationships
- Emotional state, and
- Spiritual needs.

Services Available: Respite Care, Emergency Respite Care, Adult Day Programs, Convalescence, Palliative Care and Long-Term Care

Home Care: Home care helps people who need acute, end-of-life, rehabilitation, maintenance, and long-term supportive care to remain independent at home.

Costs: The Saskatchewan Health Authority provides home care services directly to clients based on assessed need. Professional services such as nursing assessment/care coordination, therapy, or volunteer services are provided without charge to home care clients. The health authority is responsible for billing home care clients for some services. Individual client fees or charges are based on the client's income and the number of services delivered to the client. Clients have the opportunity to apply for a subsidy.

Long Term Care: Special care homes – also called nursing homes – provide care when your needs can no longer be met in the community. Special care homes are run by the Saskatchewan Health Authority or operated by a provider that has a contract with the health authority. To apply for admission to a special care home, contact the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

Costs:

Residents of special care homes pay a fee – a resident charge – based on their personal income. A resident pays the standard resident charge (\$1,152 at April 1, 2020) plus 57.5% of the portion of their income between \$1,579 and \$4,502. The Individual resident charges are adjusted annually on January 1 to take into account any changes in income of the resident and spouse (if applicable) from the previous year. Resident charges effective April 1, 2020 are calculated using the 2018 tax return(s). Ministry of Health continues to subsidize approximately 80% of the overall provincewide cost of long-term care.