Saskatchewan Ministry of Health Drug Plan & Extended Benefits Branch



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Paraplegia Program – Home Access Grant

- The Ministry of Health is continually seeking ways to improve access to and appropriateness of health care services for the people of Saskatchewan.
- A new grant option will allow clients, who exceed the weight limit for a standard outdoor wheelchair lift or ceiling track lift, to access a larger grant for bariatric equipment. Bariatric equipment costs significantly more than standard equipment.
- The new policy is as follows:
 Clients who exceed the weight limit for standard equipment are eligible for
 an enhanced grant (limit \$5,000) towards the purchase of an outdoor lift or
 ceiling track lift.
- When submitting a request for a bariatric grant, please specify your client's weight, the weight capacity for the standard alternative and the weight capacity for the bariatric option.

The complete revised policy and all other Saskatchewan Aids to Independent Living (SAIL) program policies can be found at http://www.health.gov.sk.ca/sail.

Special Needs Equipment Program

- During the consultations for the equipment review, stakeholders identified that the option to fax requisitions would be convenient.
- The Special Needs Equipment program will now accept faxed requisitions for equipment. Faxed requisitions will receive the same priority as mailed requisition forms.
- Please use caution when faxing requisitions. On occasion, faxes are not legible or arrive as blank pages. When this occurs the office is unable to follow-up with the requisitioner.
- If you choose to fax a requisition you may wish to phone and confirm that the fax has been received and is legible. There is no need to also mail the original requisition.
- Original copies of requisitions are recommended if the client will be picking up the equipment in person.

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