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Who pays for what?



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About this guide



Paying for medical care can cost a lot of money. Medical means anything to do with doctors and health.



The government helps pay for some medical costs.



Different parts of the government pay for things.



It can be hard to know who pays for what.



This guide will help make it clear.

The Department of Health



The Department of Health looks after health in WA. It helps keep people well.



People who work there can help you find what your child needs.



It can help pay for care to make your child feel better after being hurt or sick.



It can help pay for tests and check-ups to keep your child healthy.

NDIS

The NDIS stands for the National Disability Insurance Scheme.



The NDIS helps people with disability by giving them money to pay for supports.



A disability is when a person's body or mind works in a different way.



People with disability may find some things harder so they need support.

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The NDIS can help in two ways.



First is the Early Childhood Approach. They help children early to make things better later.



This supports children aged 0-9 who need help doing things. The NDIS pays for this.



The second way is by giving people with disability money to help them reach their goals. This is called an NDIS Plan.

Your GP



GP means General Practitioner. Your GP is the doctor you see first when you need help.



Your GP can give you a Chronic Disease Management Plan. This will help with your child's long-term health needs.



This may allow you to get money back from Medicare. Medicare can help pay for some health care costs.



Your GP can also give you a Mental Health Care Plan. This means Medicare may help pay for some mental health costs.

Centrelink

Centrelink gives money support to Australians.



It gives money to many groups and for different needs.



Parents and carers of children with disability can get some payments and extra support.



This list helps you learn about payments for parents and carers.



Carer Allowance is for Australians who give care to someone with a disability. Your family must earn less than $250,000 a year.



Carer Payment is a payment for carers who give care to someone with a disability for a long time. The amount may change for everyone.



Child Disability Assistance Payment is a payment you get once a year. You will need to get the Carer Allowance first. Your child must be less than 16 years old.



Carer Supplement is paid every year if you care for a person with disability. You must already get other payments.



Carer Adjusted Payment is paid once if a child under 7 has a disability and needs lots of care.



Assistance for Isolated Children Scheme helps families whose children can't go to school because they live too far away or have a disability.



Essential Medical Equipment Payment is paid once a year to help with costs to run machines at home.



Continence Aids Payment Scheme is paid once a year to help with incontinence. Incontinence means not being able to control going to the toilet.



Thermoregulatory Dysfunction Energy Subsidy helps pay energy bills for people who can't control their body feeling hot or cold.



Health Care Card is a card to get cheaper medicines and discounts.



Low-income Health Care Card is for people on a low income. It gives cheaper health care and discounts.



A **Companion Card** helps carers go to activities with people with disability for free.

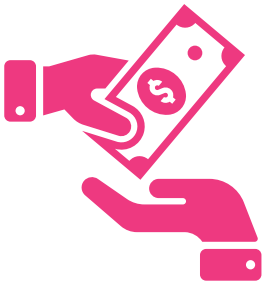


Foster Child Health Care Card is a card to get cheaper medicines and discounts for foster children. A foster child is a child you care for but is not your own.



Pensioner Consession Card is a card to get cheaper:

- Health care
- Medicines
- Discounts



WA Concessions lists payments and help from the government.



Special Disability Trusts helps families plan for care and housing for someone with a disability in the future.

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