

HEALTH SERVICES – HEALTH & INSURED HEARING SERVICES		
SECTION: Drug & Extended Benefits Programs	TITLE: Wheelchairs - Extended Health Care Benefits Program	POLICY #: DP 06
DATE ISSUED: August 2014	CROSS REFERENCE: N/A	PAGE: 1 of 2
DATE REVISED: May 2015	LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: ○ Extended Health Care Benefits Regulation ○ Pharmacare Plan Regulation	

BACKGROUND

This policy is for those eligible plan beneficiaries registered with the Pharmacare and Extended Benefits Programs who, for medical reasons, require a wheelchair.

POLICY

Upon the provision of written support to the Pharmacare and Extended Benefits Programs by an Occupational Therapist or Specialist in Rehabilitation Medicine, special consideration may be given to provide coverage of an electric wheelchair for a patient who is unable to propel themselves in a manual wheelchair. The initial provision of an electric wheelchair will include one battery, after which the patient will be responsible for the cost of batteries. The written support should clearly outline the medical need specific to the patient. The Program will contribute once every 5 years from the date of the last contribution, toward the purchase of a wheelchair.

Each request shall be considered on a case-by-case basis and shall be approved by the Director, Insured Health Services.

Insured Health Services' Extended Health Care Benefits Program shall be considered the payor of last resort and other eligible client funding must be accessed first.


APPEALS

Appeals are to be sent, in writing, to the Director of Insured Health and Hearing Services for review. Letters should be addressed as follows:

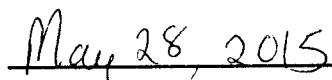
Director, Insured Health and Hearing Services
 Department of Health and Social Services (H-2)
 Box 2703
 Whitehorse, YT
 Y1A 2C6

HEALTH SERVICES – HEALTH & INSURED HEARING SERVICES		
SECTION: Drug & Extended Benefits Programs	TITLE: Wheelchairs - Pharmacare & Extended Benefits Programs	POLICY #: DP 06
DATE ISSUED: August 2014	CROSS REFERENCE: N/A	PAGE: 2 of 2
DATE REVISED:	LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: <input type="checkbox"/> Extended Health Care Benefits Regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacare Plan Regulation	

Note: All requirements of the Acts and Regulations governing Yukon Health Care Insurance remain in effect. All decisions on interpretation will be referred to the Director of Insured Health & Hearing Services.



Shauna Demers - M Fenske for
 Director
 Insured Health & Hearing Services


 Date