



Committee Report

To:	Chair Burley and Committee of Management Members
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Title:	2018-19 Funding Increase
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Lower Tier(s) Affected:	All Grey County
Status:	

Recommendation

1. That report LTCR-CM-17-18 regarding the 2018-19 Long Term Care funding increase be received for information.

Executive Summary

The Ministry of Health and Long Term Care have recently announced a funding increase for the long term care sector.

Background and Discussion

The government has fulfilled the third year of a multi-year funding commitment for a 2% increase for the Nursing and Personal Care (NPC) and Program and Support Services (PSS) envelopes. As part of the funding announcement, the ministry identified that the Registered Practical Nurse supplemental funding per diem will be added to the NPC base funding. This will streamline reporting requirements. Another increase for the NPC envelope is 2% for supplementary funding provided through the High Intensity Needs (HIN) Fund. Increases to the NPC and PSS are retroactive to April 1, 2018.

Effective July 1, 2018, a base funding increase of 6% in the raw food envelope will support nutritious meals, supplements and the procurement of vitamin D and calcium supplementation for residents who are unable to meet the recommended intake through their diets. The criteria for procurement or eligibility for supplementation is unknown at this time.

To match the general inflation rate, homes will receive a 1.6% increase to the Other Accommodation (OA) envelope. Resident co-payments will increase by the same amount and

be applied to basic and preferred accommodation. Residents who are eligible for a rate reduction will have their co-payment amount adjusted.

Impact of 2018 Funding Announcements

The increases and budget impact are outlined in the following table.

Envelope	2018 Budgeted Increase	Actual Increase	Grey Gables 2018 Budget Impact	Lee Manor 2018 Budget Impact	Rockwood Terrace 2018 Budget Impact
NPC	2%	2%	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplementary Per diem (HIN)	0%	2%	\$422	\$960	\$640
PSS	2%	2%	\$0	\$0	\$0
Raw Food	2%	6%	\$4,372	\$9,936	\$6,624
OA	1.4%	1.6%	\$1,336	\$3,036	\$2,024
Total Unbudgeted Increase			\$6,130	\$13,932	\$9,288

Legal and Legislated Requirements

Long term care homes are required to provide a minimum of 30 days written notice of a co-payment rate increase to the resident or their financial power of attorney. Notice has been provided.

Financial and Resource Implications

The amounts included in the 2018 budget are very close to the Ministry funding announcement. A copy of the Co-payment Notice and Appendix A- Level of Care Per Diem increases are included with this report.

Relevant Consultation

- Internal Finance Department
- External (list)

Appendices and Attachments

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Basic Accommodation Rates

On July 1, 2018, the co-payment that residents pay for basic accommodation in Long-Term Care (LTC) homes **will increase by \$0.96 per day from \$59.82 per day to \$60.78 per day**, consistent with recent inflationary increases. This will help cover the rising costs of meals and accommodation.

Preferred Accommodation Rates

The maximum charges will also be increasing for residents admitted to newer preferred accommodation beds **on or after July 1, 2018**. The premium charged for semi-private accommodation will increase by \$0.19 from \$12.30 to \$12.49 per day, and the premium for private accommodation will increase by \$0.41 from \$25.63 to \$26.04 per day.

The table below provides the new rates that will apply as of July 1, 2018 to all types of accommodation based on a residents' date of admission to the bed.

Type of Accommodation	Daily Rate	Monthly
Long-Stay Resident:		
Basic	\$60.78	\$1,848.73
Semi-Private		
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2015.	\$73.27	\$2,228.63
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after September 1, 2014, but prior to July 1, 2015.	\$72.23	\$2,197.00
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2013, but prior to September 1, 2014.	\$71.19	\$2,165.36
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2012, but prior to July 1, 2013.	\$70.14	\$2,133.43
Residents occupying older beds, or residents admitted to newer beds prior to July 1, 2012.	\$69.11	\$2,102.10

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Private

Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2015.	\$86.82	\$2,640.78
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after September 1, 2014, but prior to July 1, 2015.	\$85.00	\$2,585.42
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2013, but prior to September 1, 2014.	\$83.17	\$2,529.76
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2012, but prior to July 1, 2013.	\$81.35	\$2,474.40
Residents occupying older beds, or residents admitted to newer beds prior to July 1, 2012.	\$79.52	\$2,418.74

Short-Stay Resident (Respite Bed)

\$39.34 N/A

NOTE: "Newer beds" – beds classified as "NEW" or "A" according to ministry design standards

"Older beds" – beds classified as "B", "C", "Upgraded D" or "D" according to ministry design standards

Effective from July 1, 2018, the basic accommodation rate is determined using the following formula:

- 2017 basic accommodation rate x (1 + CPI Rate) = 2018 co-payment rate.
[i.e., \$59.82 x (1+1.6%) = \$60.78]
- The monthly rate is determined by multiplying the daily rate by 30.4167.
[i.e., \$60.78 x 30.4167 = \$1,848.73]

If you have requested a transfer from your current accommodation into a preferred accommodation bed, please call the LTC home administrator to confirm the rate that you will be required to pay. Preferred rates for semi-private and private accommodation in your current LTC home or in another LTC home may be different if you are offered a bed on or after July 1, 2018.

If you are currently paying less than \$59.82 per day because you are receiving a reduction in the basic co-payment, known as a "Rate Reduction", **then you should reapply for a rate reduction** as the current rate reduction expires on June 30, 2018. Staff at your LTC home will provide you with the application form and will help you to submit your application to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

For more information on co-payment rates or the changes to the rate reduction application process, please speak with your home's Administrator. Should you have any additional questions, please contact: LTC Homes Action Line at **1-866-434-0144**



Appendix A

Level-of-Care (LOC) Per Diem Increases

	Nursing and Personal Care (NPC) Acuity Adjusted	Program and Support Services (PSS)	Raw Food (RF)	Other Accommodation (OA)	Total
Per Diem Prior to April 1, 2018	96.26	9.60	9.00	55.28	170.14
Registered Practical Nurse (RPN) Per Diem Prior to April 1, 2018	2.03	-	-	-	2.03
New Per Diem Prior to April 1, 2018	98.29	9.60	9.00	55.28	172.17
Increases effective April 1, 2018					
Resident care needs increase (2% on NPC, RPN and PSS)	1.97	0.19	-	-	2.16
New per diem effective April 1, 2018*	100.26	9.79	9.00	55.28	174.33
Increases effective July 1, 2018	-	-	0.54	0.88	1.42
New per diem effective July 1, 2018	100.26	9.79	9.54	56.16	175.75

*Effective April 1, 2018, RPN funding will be included in the NPC envelope and as a result all homes will receive the RPN per diem of \$2.03 through NPC.

Supplementary Per Diem Increases

	Nursing and Personal Care (NPC)	Program and Support Services (PSS)	Raw Food (RF)	Other Accommodation (OA)	Total
Per Diem Prior to April 1, 2018	0.64	-	-	0.00	0.64
Increases effective April 1, 2018	0.01	-	-	0.00	0.01
Supplementary per diem effective April 1, 2018	0.65	-	-	0.00	0.65
Increases effective July 1, 2018**	0.00	-	-	0.36	0.36
Supplementary per diem effective July 1, 2018	0.65	-	-	0.36	1.01

** Effective July 1, 2018, the accreditation funding / quality attainment premium will be allocated as a supplementary per diem in the Other Accommodations envelope.

Total Per Diem Rates (LOC and Supplementary Funding Per Diems)

	Nursing and Personal Care (NPC)	Program and Support Services (PSS)	Raw Food (RF)	Other Accommodation (OA)	Total
Total Per Diem Prior to April 1, 2018	96.90	9.60	9.00	55.28	170.78
Total Per Diem Effective April 1, 2018	100.91	9.79	9.00	55.28	174.98
Total Per Diem Effective July 1, 2018	100.91	9.79	9.54	56.52	176.76