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## Odsp mandatory special necessities form pdf

**Odsp basic needs allowance. Odsp basic needs amount. Odsp requirements. Basic needs for odsp. Odsp personal needs allowance.**

The 2025 Summary of legislation The costs of the following items can be covered for members of the benefit unit as Mandatory Special Needs (MSN) if not otherwise covered or reimbursed: diabetic supplies, surgical supplies and dressings; transportation reasonably required for medical treatment, if the cost of that transportation in the month exceeds \$157. The costs may be covered by adding the amount for the items to the monthly income support payment using pay direct, whereby the recipient receives the items or services from a third party and the third party invoices the local ODSF office for the amount for the items or services. Legislative authority: Sections 21(2)(3) of the Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997 Section 44.(1), (ii) and iii. of the Ontario Disability Support Program Regulation Summary of directive: The MSN benefit covers the costs of the following items and services: diabetic supplies, surgical supplies and dressings; transportation reasonably required for medical treatment which exceeds \$15 in a month. The cost of the item must not be otherwise reimbursed or subject to reimbursement from any other source. Intent of policy: To ensure that ODSF recipients receive diabetic supplies, surgical supplies and dressings, and transportation reasonably required for medical treatment, where they are not available from any other source. Application of policy: This policy applies to all eligible persons who have been assessed for diabetes mellitus, type 1 or type 2, and require insulin therapy. Diabetes Canada provides funding for 75% of the cost of testing strips and lancets (used in conjunction with blood glucose monitors) for insulin-dependent clients (using injections). The central toll-free telephone number for Diabetes Canada is 1-800-361-0796. Diabetes Canada provides funding for 75% of the cost of testing strips and lancets (up to an annual limit of \$920), only for persons who are insulin-dependent (using injections). The balance of the cost is an approvable MSN item. Coverage for different types of blood glucose monitors is as follows: traditional blood-glucose monitors; intermittently scanned Continuous Glucose Monitors (isCGMs) – formerly referred to as Flash Glucose Monitors (FGMs); real-time Continuous Glucose Monitors (rtCGMs). Diabetes Canada provides funding on a reimbursement basis for the cost of a blood glucose monitor (used for monitoring blood sugar levels). Diabetes Canada will provide the lesser of 75% of the value or \$75, once every five years, only for persons who are insulin dependent. The balance of the cost is an approvable MSN item if not covered by another source. For people who are not insulin dependent (not using injections) the full cost of a traditional blood glucose monitor is an approvable item if not covered by another source, based on a completed MSN benefit request form, subject to a limit of \$54. Note: Only models of blood glucose monitors whose test strips are covered under the ODB will be approved. Vendors can verify which test strips are covered by the ODB. The ODB provides funding for isCGMs and the Ministry of Health's (MOH) Assistive Devices Program (ADP) provides funding for real-time Continuous Glucose Monitors (rtCGMs) and its related supplies (i.e., sensors and transmitters). Surgical supplies and dressings For ODSF purposes, surgical supplies and dressings are supplies prescribed by a licensed Ontario physician that are used for the purpose of surgery. Clients seeking coverage for these items must first obtain approval from Care Access Centre before seeking coverage from Care Access Centre. Clients requesting assistance for ostomy supplies must provide verification that they have applied for the yearly grant of \$1,300 from ADP, payable in two instalments. Funding for costs greater than \$1,300 is allowable. Information about the ostomy grant is available at 1-800-268-6021. The Easter Seals Society Ontario delivers an incontinence supply program for families of children with severe disabilities where the disability results in chronic incontinence. Under the Easter Seals program, children (aged 3-5) are eligible for \$400 and children (aged 6-17) are eligible for \$900 in incontinence supplies, in two semi-annual instalments.

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Applicants should contact Easter Seals at 1-888-377-5437. Dependent children are eligible through the MSN Surgical Supplies and Dressings category for the amount above that which is provided by the Easter Seals program. Supplies for a Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) machine are also covered (tubing, masks, water chamber, distilled water, filters). Transportation/Travel and transportation costs are paid when the costs exceed \$15 per benefit unit in a given month, and the travel meets the criteria of one of the three components outlined below. In order to receive transportation costs (except in emergencies) an MSN Benefit Request form must be completed. The approved costs should be the most economical mode of transportation that the approved health professional indicates a person's condition enables him/her to use. There are three components in the MSN travel benefit that describe when costs for travel and transportation can be provided. 1. Professionals designated under the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991 (RHPA)(The MSN travel and transportation benefit is available to recipients who incur transportation costs to or from any therapy or treatment provided by a professional designated under the RHPA. The professionals governed by the RHPA are: physicians, nurses, speech therapists, psychologists, physiotherapists, dietitians, dental hygienists, dental technologists, denturists, chiropractors, midwives, optometrists, podiatrists, occupational therapists, pharmacists, kinesiologists, chiropodists & podiatrists, audiologists & speech-language pathologists, massage therapists, occupational therapists, respiratory therapists, medical laboratory technologists, medical radiation technologists, homeopaths, traditional Chinese medicine practitioners, naturopathic healers. 2. Alcohol and drug recovery groups (e.g., Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous) are covered, provided the recipient's physician or psychologist has prescribed it, and the program is available locally. 3. Mental health therapy and mental health services (e.g., individual therapy, group therapy, family therapy, couples therapy, etc.) are covered if the recipient's physician or psychologist has prescribed it, and the program is available locally. If the psychiatrist or other physician or psychologist has provided a clear indication that the program is part of the client's medical treatment or therapy. The program or activity must be under the supervision of a psychiatrist, other physician or psychologist, and the activity or program is administered and adapted to individual participants by qualified mental health caseworkers and the mental health caseworkers are supervised by the psychiatrist, other physician or psychologist. Coverage will continue for recipients who were receiving transportation costs to attend day programs or other activities on September 30, 1999, for as long as the person attends the program. New requests for transportation costs to attend day programs are not eligible, unless the request meets one of the three components listed above. The following chart outlines the amounts that ODSF will pay for different modes of transportation: Mode of transportation | Coverage available | Private transportation | The lesser of the cost of all return trips per month or the cost of a monthly transit pass | Private vehicle | 40¢ per kilometer / 41¢ in the North and North East Regions. Parking costs are covered with receipts | Agency driver | Agency fee or 40¢ cents per kilometer / 41¢ in the North and North East Regions where there is no established fee | Taxi | Return trip fare door to door | Ambulance | Scheduled travel by ambulance | Not waiting for customer during appointment. However, in regions where distances are great (e.g., the north or rural areas), it may be less expensive for a taxi to wait rather than to make a return trip. In this case, the waiting fee should be paid. In areas where distances are short (e.g., cities and towns), it is generally less expensive for a recipient to order a taxi for a return trip. Emergency travel | Some ODSF recipients may require emergency medical treatment and request reimbursement for transportation expenses that were not approved in advance. Emergency costs can be covered based on receipts. A note from the recipient requesting reimbursement and specifying the destination and the mileage incurred is also acceptable; however, receipts (e.g., parking receipt) should also be included if available. Where the recipient is requesting reimbursement, they should be asked if they will require regular appointments. If so, an MSN request form should be completed by the approved health professional and upfront verification would apply as in all other cases. Out of province travel | Recipients who have been approved to receive treatment or therapy from a professional designated under the RHPA outside of Ontario should be able to receive treatment or therapy from that professional in another province or territory. These arrangements should be set up prior to leaving Ontario. Where appropriate, travel across a provincial border may be covered. (i.e., Manitoba and Quebec) Out of country travel | If out of country travel is necessary for treatment or therapy, travel and transportation costs can only be covered when OHIP is covering the costs of the treatment. A letter from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is required to document OHIP coverage. Mode of transportation, meals and attendants/With approved travel, the most economical mode of transportation that the approved health professional indicates a person can use, should be used. The most economical accommodation should be used when overnight stays are required for a person to receive necessary medical services.

## "Mandatory Special Necessities" (MSN)

- OW and ODSP use the term "Mandatory Special Necessities" to talk about **3 kinds of benefits**:



- To receive any of these benefits, a health professional must fill out the "Mandatory Special Necessities" form

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If you receive Ontario Disability Support Program Income Support and have any children who are 17 years and under, they will be automatically enrolled in Healthy Smiles Ontario. Each child will receive a dental card to be shown as proof of eligibility to get dental services under the program. You and your spouse (18 years and over) may be able to get coverage for basic dental services and additional services if your disability, prescribed medications or prescribed treatment affects your oral health. A dental card will be mailed to you each month with your monthly cheque or statement. You can use this card for dental care services in the following month simply by presenting it to your dentist. The card lists your name and your spouse's name (if applicable). Many vision care services are already covered by the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP). OHIP covers annual eye examinations for patients under 20 years of age and patients 65 years of age or older and major eye examinations for all patients with medical conditions that affect the eye such as infections or diseases. The ODSP Vision Care Benefit provides routine eye examinations (once every two years) for you and your family if coverage under OHIP is not available, assistance with the cost of prescription eyeglasses (once every three years) for you, your spouse and your children under 18 years of age, assistance with the cost of eyeglass repairs for you, your spouse and your children 18 years of age. To get assistance with the cost of prescription eyeglasses, contact your local Ontario Disability Support Program office and ask for a Vision Care benefit authorization form. Take this form to your optometrist or optician and ask them to fill it in when you get glasses, frames or repairs.