

# EquipCare BC

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## *Program Guidelines & Eligibility*

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### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The provincial government has provided the BC Care Providers Association \$10 million for EquipCare BC. The program opened to immediately assist with infection and prevention control. Summer is now past, and the program will be expanding to include safety and quality improvements.

### **WHO CAN APPLY FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (IPC) FUNDING?**

To be eligible for program funding specific to infection prevention and control, all the following criteria must be met:

- Home operates in the province of BC
- Includes non-health authority owned and operated homes
- Includes private *and* publicly funded long-term care homes
- Includes private *and* publicly funded assisted living operators as listed on the [Seniors' Assisted Living Registry](#)

### **WHO CAN APPLY FOR SAFETY AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FUNDING?**

To be eligible for program funding specific to safety and quality improvement, all the following criteria must be met:

- Home operates in the province of BC
- Includes non-health authority owned and operated homes
- Includes publicly funded long-term care homes
- Includes publicly funded assisted living operators as listed on the [Seniors' Assisted Living Registry](#)

*Further Note:* Currently, health authority owned and operated homes, independent living residences and home health operators are not eligible for program funding.

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## HOW MUCH CAN I APPLY FOR?

Period 2		
Operator	"Up To" Amount	Per
Assisted Living (AL)	\$100	Unit
Long-Term Care (LTC)	\$150	Resident

*Note: Private funded homes can apply for Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) items up to the maximum eligible. Publicly funded homes can apply for either IPC, safety, or quality items up to the maximum eligible.*

## WHEN CAN I APPLY?

The first application period opened April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The next application period opens September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

The application process remains the same for infection prevention and control, safety and quality improvement requests.

**Begins:** When the Terms & Conditions are accepted, and the application is received prior to the closing date of the funding period.

**Ends:** When the applicant receives a decision on grant funding.



## WHAT IS THE FUNDING PROCESS?

The funding process remains the same for infection prevention and control, safety and quality improvement requests.

**Begins:** When the grant recipient receives the funding approval to proceed with purchases and implementation.

**Ends:** When the grant recipient receives the funding and completes a satisfaction survey.

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## BEFORE STARTING THE APPLICATION

1. Read the Terms & Conditions [here](#).
2. Review the Eligible Items List [here](#).
3. Review the FAQ's [here](#).

## APPLICATION LINK

Apply online [here](#).