

EquipCare BC

Program Guidelines & Eligibility

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. In Periods 2 and 3, the program expanded 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](#) under the "Seniors" residence type *SN*.

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](#) under the "Seniors" residence type *SN*.

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 3		
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?

Period	Application Open	Eligible Items
1	April 4 th , 2020	IPC
2	September 28 th , 2020	IPC, Safety and Quality
3	April 1 st , 2021	IPC, Safety and Quality

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.



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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.



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](#).