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Infection Prevention and Control



Eligible Items

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To prevent, control and eliminate infections as well as help manage the current COVID-19 response, the following are the eligible items for purchase or rental funding under the program. Categories of items include consumables, non-consumables, and outbreak management.

Consumables	
Personal Protective Equipment (as supplies permit) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eye & facial protection (goggles & face shields)• Masks & respiratory infection (surgical or procedural masks, N95 respirators)• Gloves (latex, latex free, nitrile & rubber)• Gowns, aprons, or overalls (sterile, reusable, disposable, fluid repellent)• Shoe covers	
Environmental Cleaning, Waste Management, Housekeeping & Laundry <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hospital grade cleaning products (soap & disinfectants)• Mop heads• Industrial brooms• Cloths and single use wipes• Detergent• Garbage bags• Dissolvable laundry bags	
Food Services <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Disposable dishware• Food covers	Hygiene <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hand soap and lotion• Point of care alcohol-based hand rub• Eye wash
Respiratory <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tissues• Ventilation – air filters for HVAC system	Resident Infection Prevention <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Slings (includes disposable or single use)• Topical skin adhesives• Single use mortuary bags• Drainage fluid bags• Hazardous biological substance bags

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Non-Consumables

Food Services

- Sneeze guards
- Food handling utensils
- Food thermometers
- Meal delivery carts or trays (sanitizable)
- No touch ice dispensers (ice chests ineligible)
- Commercial dishwashers, refrigerators & freezers

Hygiene

- Soap dispensers (mechanical activation only)
- Face mask dispensers
- Hand sanitizer dispenser (mechanical activation only)
- Paper towel holders
- Mobile sinks
- Fixed sinks for residents
- Dedicated sinks for staff
- Toilets and faucets
- Commodes, shower chairs
- Bathtubs
- Bedpans
- Towels

Environmental Cleaning, Waste Management, Housekeeping & Laundry

- Buckets, mop pails or dustpans
- Floor cleaning machines & scrubbers
- Disinfection systems (includes testing kits)
- Disinfecting floor mats
- Wheelchair washers
- Sharps containers
- Laundry bins or bags
- Clothes washers or dryers
- No touch waste receptacles with lids
- Macerators
- Containers for biomedical wastes
- Stericycle pick-up service

Furniture & Accessories

- Overbed tables (easy to clean)
- Dining tables & chairs (distancing)
- Medical bed mattress (water repellent & cleanable)
- Waterproof pads

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- Mattress & positional wedge covers
- Mattress overlays for ulcer prevention
- Wheelchair covers
- Blankets

Storage & Spatial Separation

- Barriers, partitions
- Supports for clean/dirty separation
- Cabinets & containers (sterile instruments & devices)
- Medical carts
- Housekeeping carts
- Vaccine refrigerator

Medical, Screening & Vital Sign Devices

- Thermometers & probe covers
- Thermal screening cameras (residents & staff)
- Blood pressure monitors and disposable cuffs
- Oxygen equipment, supplies or accessories

Outbreak Management

Signage

- Signs for visitors (symptoms of illness)
- Notification signs (outbreak or precaution)

Sensory

- Activity items (disposable)
- Sensory items (washable)

Equipment

- Outbreak or isolation carts (includes covers)
- Isolation caddies

Technology (New)

- Hand hygiene automated monitoring
- Cleanliness audit system

Staff Education

- Training in consumables, non-consumables and infection prevention and control (IPC) best practices
- GlowBug Hand Washing Kits

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.

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Safety & Quality List of Eligible Items (Publicly Funded Only)

Safety

Mobility

- Ceiling Lift: gantry track & motor (room covering)
- Ceiling Lift: straight track & motor (monorail over bed)
- Replacement lift motors for existing tracks
- Parts for existing lift systems (controls, belts, pendants)
- Slings for new or existing lift systems
- Floor Lift: Active (sit-to-stand)
- Floor Lift: Passive
- Transfer aids (repositioning sheets or transfer poles)
- Grab Bars
- Specialized wheelchairs
- Walkers
- Anti-slip flooring

Prevention or Urgent Response

- Fall monitors
- Fall alarms
- Exit alarms
- Fall mats
- Bed alarms or sensors
- Bed safety assessment kits
- Hip protectors
- Nurse call system
- Security System (Includes Picture ID machine)
- Wandering system (Includes wandering bands)
- Telephone system
- Walkie talkie
- Fire prevention
- Parts for existing prevention or urgent response system

Medical Devices

- AED-defibrillator
- Bladder scanner

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- Ultrasound - Bladder Screening
- Infusion pumps
- Pill crushers
- Suction machine
- Vital sign devices
- Wheelchair scale

Furniture

- Beds

Bathing

- Accessible showers
- Accessible tub modifications
- Specialty bathing equipment

Quality

Transportation

- Accessible bus or van

Furniture & Accessories

- Ergonomic furniture – specialized chairs or tables
- Mattress elevation
- Seat cushions (includes ROHO) – skin degradation

Laundry

- Labelling machines and labels

Physical Therapy

- Exercise equipment

Sensory Therapy

- Snoezelen room
- Sensory items or equipment
- Towel & blanket warmers
- Lighting and visual aids
- Music therapy

Temperature Control

- Boilers
- Water controls or temperature valves
- Blinds
- Air conditioning
- Pergola

Communication

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- WiFi
- PC's, laptops, or tablets (Resident Use)

Note: Safety and quality items are available to publicly funded assisted living and long-term care homes primarily serving seniors.