Equipment Funding Supports Beyond the Interim Federal Health Program (IFHP): A Resource Guide

About this Guide

This document provides a list of additional funding supports that may be relevant to those receiving Interim Federal Health Program benefits.

Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital does not endorse or promote any specific program or service listed in this guide.

The resources in this guide are drawn from our more extensive Funding and Financial Supports Guide. This sub-list includes equipment-based funding supports that do not state eligibility criteria related to immigration status or region-specific catchment areas (other than living in Ontario or Canada).

Please note that funding program details and eligibility criteria may change frequently. The information in this document is current as of April 2026. If any outdated information is identified in this document, kindly email: resourcecentre@hollandbloorview.ca

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Internal Funding Option:

Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital – Family Support Fund	
Description The Family Support Fund offers financial support to Holland Bloorview families of clinical clients during a time of transition or stress. Funding categories include: • Equipment – up to $1,000* • Medication – up to $500 • Respite Care – up to $750 • Recreation - up to $500 **Note: Families may request up to $1,500 for a single piece of equipment that is billed on one invoice.* For more information call 416-425-6220 Ext. 6303, or email fsfdoc@hollandbloorview.ca Website: https://hollandbloorview.ca/our-services/family-workshops-resources/holland-bloorview-family-support-fund	Eligibility • Be a registered client of Holland Bloorview • Have had a clinical, OHIP-covered appointment with Holland Bloorview in the two years prior to the date on application • Be under the age of 19

External Funding Options:

Ability Gives	
Description Ability Gives is a Canadian equipment grant program for members of Ability Online who have a child with a disability or complex medical condition under 18 years of age. Equipment can include: • therapy bikes • iPads with communication software for non-verbal children • adapted strollers • specialized seating/feeding chairs • lifts and turners • serial casting/orthotics • orthotic shoes • walkers/splints	Eligibility • Applicants must be active members of Ability Online (for a minimum of 3 months) who reside in Canada • The device/equipment requested will make a significant difference in the life of a child/youth 18 years of age or under • Family must be willing to post their child's story and picture on Ability Gives web site (first names only) • Only one equipment request per family

Ability Gives – Continued	
For more information call 416-650-6207 or email information@abilityonline.org Website: https://newabilityonline.org/ability-gives-sponsor-a-child/	
A Child's Voice Foundation - Kids Life Line	
Description The goal of Kids Life Line is to meet an immediate, essential and sometimes critical need for a child, when all other resources have been exhausted. Financial Support with one-time requests for: • Small medical equipment and supplies • Limited in-home nursing care or therapy • Required short term therapies • Transportation to and from medical appointments • Parking permits for hospital visits • Medication not covered by government or insurance • Dental procedures not covered by government or insurance • Specialized or needed furniture and equipment For more information call 905-275-3434 or email admin@acvf.ca Website: https://www.acvf.ca/kids-life-line	Eligibility • Need must be immediate, essential or critical • Exhausted other channels of support • Must be under the age of 18 • Complete online form or email admin@acfv.ca with information regarding support request
Muscular Dystrophy Canada – Equipment Program	
Description Equipment funding program that supports individuals living in Canada with neuromuscular disorders. Support options vary by region. Examples of funding requests, depending on applicant's region, may include:	Eligibility • Need to be registered as a client to access support, with a diagnosis of a neuromuscular disorder. • Completed application form, quotes from two vendors and signed prescription from healthcare professional needed to apply.

Muscular Dystrophy Canada – Equipment Program – Continued	
• Access equipment: Ramps, stair lifts, platform lifts, door openers • Bathroom aids: Commodes, shower chairs, transfer benches • Beds & mattresses: Hospital beds, pressure-relief mattresses • Breathing aids: Ventilators, CPAP/BiPAP machines, pulse oximeters • Mobility & lifts: Power wheelchairs, scooters, transfer slings • Other support: Repairs, modifications, short-term rentals • And more – contact with request For more information contact Josée Bray at application@muscle.ca or call 1-800-567-2873 x1201. Website: https://muscle.ca/support-services/how-we-help/equipment-program/	• Equipment under $200 is not eligible for funding • Cannot offer reimbursements. Application must be processed and approved prior to purchasing equipment
Ontario Federation of Cerebral Palsy – Life Enriching Activity Fund	
Description Funding for financial support with any activity members currently participate in or are interested in. One time assistance of $300 per application for multiple activities/items in the funding year. **This funding can be used to cover a portion of the cost of related equipment.** For more information contact: funding@ofcp.ca or call 416-936-6007 or Toll Free: 1-877-244-9686, Ext 221. Website: https://www.ofcp.ca/funding Application: https://form.jotform.com/ofcp/2026-leaf-application	Eligibility • Must be registered as an OFCP Member ($10 payment to do this); must have a Cerebral Palsy diagnosis • Living in Ontario

Oracle Health Foundation	
Description Oracle Health Foundation's provides pediatric grants (internationally) that cover clinical, equipment, and travel and lodging expenses related to children's healthcare needs. All requests must pertain to future expenses to be incurred after a grant has been approved. This includes, but is not limited to, the following: • Procedures, medicine, therapies • Hearing aids, wheelchairs, assistive technology, protheses, etc. • Lodging related to a child's care • Transportation, gas, charging, parking related to child's care For more information call 816-573-6050, or email casegrants_ww@oracle.com Website: https://www.oraclehealthfoundation.org/pediatric-grants/ ***Please note, this fund is available to those residing in Canada**	Eligibility • Child must be under 21 years of age or younger (a person 22–25 may be considered if receiving pediatric treatment) • Child must be under the care of a physician • Request must be clinically relevant to a specific healthcare need of the child • Must be no existing insurance coverage for the requested expenses. • One request per 12 months, per child for a maximum of three times in a child's lifetime • Financial eligibility based on qualifying income (see website). For applicants outside the United States, please provide your household's most recent official annual income documentation (such as tax forms, payslips, or a letter from your employer), and subtract your child's out-of-pocket medical expenses for the last 12 months • Pediatric grants for clinical and equipment requests average US$2,500 and do not exceed US$17,000
The War Amps – CHAMP	
Description CHAMP provides financial assistance to child amputees and their families. Their programs include: • **Standard Artificial Limbs** - assists with the costs of standard or "everyday" artificial limbs and ongoing adjustments and repairs • **Recreational Limbs and Devices -** The program covers 100 per cent of the cost of recreational limbs and devices **Travel to Prosthetic Centres -** provides financial assistance towards travel costs to and from prosthetic centres for its members.	Eligibility CHAMP serves children in Canada (under 18) who are born missing a limb or have lost a limb due to an accident or medical causes

The War Amps – CHAMP - Continued	
• **War Amps Bursaries -** Members of CHAMP between the ages of 18 and 24 who are pursuing post-secondary education are eligible to become part of the CHAMP Development Program. For more information email champ@waramps.ca, or call 1-800-267-4023 Website: https://www.waramps.ca/ways-we-help/child-amputees/	
SMILE Canada – Accessibility Fund	
Description SMILE Canada's Accessibility Fund assists families with costs associated with the child and/or youth's disability such as therapies, adaptive equipment and respite services. Fund covers: • Therapeutic Activities • Respite Services • Parent Coaching • Assistive technology and adaptive equipment i) Wheelchairs, walkers, standers, bath seats, hospital beds and mattress, etc. ii) Ceiling track/lifts. For more information call 1-888-959-8344, or email familysupport@smilecan.org Website: https://www.smilecan.org/accessibility-fund	Eligibility • Registered as a SMILE Family through Service Navigator at SMILE – see note on website regarding priority to newcomers • families of particular language groups: https://www.smilecan.org/become-a-smile-family • 30 years old or younger Household income under $70,000 *exceptions made if family is applying for more than one child that qualifies.
Wild Hogs' Deeds4Kids	
Description No specific items covered or not covered, generally offer supports for children with disabilities. Complete contact form to apply for support	Eligibility • Seriously or terminally ill children • Exhausted other channels of support • Must include age of the child, description of child's support needs, family situation (financial/medical

Wild Hogs' Deeds4Kids - Continued	
For more information contact: wildhogsdeeds4kids@gmail.com Website: https://deeds4kids.square.site/	challenges), the type and cost of assistance being requested

Used/Custom Equipment and Repairs

Please note: *To support families in accessing equipment for their child, especially when there are delays or limitations with usual funding or purchasing options, the hospital may share information about community organizations that offer donated or refurbished equipment. These organizations operate independently from the hospital. The hospital does not supply, inspect, or maintain this equipment and cannot guarantee its condition or use. Families may choose whether or not to use these options based on their needs, values, and comfort.*

Assistive Device Exchange (ADE)	
Description **Assistive Device Exchange Program (ADEP)** is an online database where persons may list assistive devices for donation, OR where they may find used assistive devices they need. There is no charge for using this service and all items are donated free of charge. For more information contact: ccf@pspawareness.com Website: Assistive Devices Exchange	Eligibility • No eligibility criteria *Users acquiring assistive devices through the ADEP site must:* • Acknowledge that equipment is typically "as is" with no warranties unless specified by the donor, and recipients are responsible for future repairs/maintenance. • Agree to be knowledgeable and informed about the assistive device they are obtaining. • Understand the importance of involving a rehabilitation professional (e.g., Occupational or Physical Therapist) for selection/acquisition when possible. • Agree to fully clean and sanitize any equipment obtained, especially hygiene-related items. • Accept responsibility for their personal safety during exchanges. • Agree to hold harmless the Coleen Cunningham Foundation from any issues arising from ADEP transactions.

For the Needy – Not the Greedy	
Description A Niagara Falls-based, volunteer-driven organization that supplies a wide variety of medical equipment and assistive devices to individuals or organizations in need, at affordable prices. These include but are not limited to: wheelchairs, power scooters, walkers, hospital beds, and assistive toilet and bath devices. All items are sanitized and refurbished before recirculation to surrounding communities. For more information call: 289-296-8079, or email fortheneedynotthegreedy@cogeco.net Showroom Hours: Wednesday - Friday 9am - 2pm & Sunday 9am - 11:30am Address: 6934 Kinsmen Court, Niagara Falls, ON, L2H 0Y5 Website: https://needynotthegreedy.org/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/people/For-the-Needy-Not-the-Greedy/100063819631837/	Eligibility • No eligibility criteria • Must travel to showroom in Niagara Falls to purchase items • Some children's equipment items may be available for loan, free of charge
Tetra Society of North America	
Description Tetra is a non-profit organization that recruits volunteers who work with clients to design and build assistive devices that are custom-made for individuals with disabilities – devices that are either not available commercially or cost-prohibitive. For more information call 1-877-688-8762, or email info@tetrasociety.org or Central Region Coordinator Sylvia Baliko at SBaliko@Tetrasociety.org or 289-208-2315 Website: Request for assistance form: https://tetrasociety.org/solutions/assistance/	Eligibility • To request assistance – for yourself or another person – complete the Request for Assistance (RFA) a online. • Form includes background information about the applicant, their disability and requirements – it helps to have researched commercial devices, to be sure that no alternative is available. • Applicants will NOT be required to forward additional materials like medical documents.

Tetra Society of North America - Continued	
Tetra Society Toronto Chapter on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/TetraToronto/	
ZachsList Pediatric Equipment Exchange	
Description ZachsList is an online Facebook group that was created for families of children with disabilities to have a space to trade equipment and share experiences regarding equipment. Website (Facebook group): https://www.facebook.com/groups/143627732500463/	Eligibility • Must join Facebook group and answer questions including that they reside in Canada • ZachsList Facebook group is by and for families. It is not geared to professionals or clinicians who are not also parent/caregivers to children with disabilities

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