WA Cares Fund rates information

Since WA Cares provides a limited lifetime benefit amount, you will want to budget your benefits carefully. To make your benefit amount last longer, consider whether you can meet your care needs with less expensive services, such as in-home care and supports. Keep in mind that the cost of services varies based on where you live and your care needs. You may want to get quotes from multiple providers before choosing one.

Each covered service or support has a maximum rate. Providers can't charge more than the maximum and can't ask you to pay extra out of pocket.

You can use the ranges below to get a general idea of how much services and supports might cost. These rates do not guarantee the cost of any services.

For the most up-to-date information, visit wacaresfund.wa.gov/rates.

Adaptive equipment and technology

Service Name	Typical cost range	Maximum rate
Adaptive equipment and technology	Assistive technology goods, like medication, safety, vision and communication devices: Up to $15,450 per item (Typically under $500 per item)	$15,450 per purchase
	Assistive technology services: $200 per service	
	Medical equipment: $10-$3,000 per item	
	Bathroom equipment: $15-$3,000 per item	
	Incontinence supplies: $10-$250 per item per month	
	Specialized equipment and supplies (non-medical): $10-$5,000 per item	
	Vehicle modifications: Up to $15,450 per modification	

Beneficiary and caregiver supports

Service name	Typical cost range	Maximum rate
Adult day care, including respite care	$75-$338 per day Respite: $11 per 15 minutes	$338 per day
Adult day health	$75-$338 per day	$338 per day (reflects a full 8-hour day)
Dementia and behavioral support	$25-$42 per 15 minutes ($100-$168 per hour)	$42 per 15 minutes ($168 per hour)
Education and consultation	Skills training and development: up to $86 per 15 minutes ($344 per hour) Evidence-based programs: $200-$1,040 per program	$86 per 15 minutes ($344 per hour) $1,040 per program
Housework and errands	$5-$16 per 15 minutes ($20-$64 per hour) up to $412 per month	$16 per 15 minutes ($64 per hour) not to exceed $412 per month
Yardwork and snow removal	$10-$36 per 15 minutes ($40-$144 per hour), up to $412 per month	$36 per 15 minutes ($144 per hour) not to exceed $412 per month

In-home personal care and in-home respite care services

Service name	Typical cost range	Maximum rate
Home care agencies	$8.75-$12 per 15 minutes ($35-$48 per hour)	$12 per 15 minutes ($48 per hour)
Consumer Direct Care Network Washington (employer of individual providers)	Standard rate: $9.91 per 15 minutes ($39.64 per hour) Family rate (available to beneficiaries hiring family who will work less than 20 hours per week): $8.07 per 15 minutes ($32.28 per hour) ⓘ Rates are fixed and may change regularly.	

Meals and transportation

Service name	Typical cost range	Maximum rate
Home-delivered meals	Face-to-face delivery: $8-$9 per meal Mail delivery: $8.50-$16 per meal	$16 per meal
Transportation	$35-$50 per pickup, plus $3-$5 per mile and additional costs for wait time, hospital discharge, vehicle type, after hours, etc. Average price of a 6-mile rideshare: Washington: $25-$28 Seattle: $35-$38	Up to $424 per month of transportation services, combined with mileage or trip costs 260 miles monthly at the federal mileage rate.

Health and wellness

Service name	Typical cost range	Maximum rate
Care transition coordination	$120-$374 per month	$374 per month for up to two consecutive months
Nurse delegation	$10-$16 per 15 minutes ($40-$64 per hour)	$16 per 15 minutes ($64 per hour)
Skilled nursing	$10-$36 per 15 minutes ($40-$144 per hour)	$36 per 15 minutes ($144 per hour)
Private duty nursing	$25-$68 per 15 minutes ($100-$272 per hour)	$68 per 15 minutes ($272 per hour)

Home safety

Service name	Typical cost range	Maximum rate
Home modifications	Accessible bathrooms and bedrooms: $100-$35,000	Up to the full benefit amount
	Accessible lighting: $20-$6,000	
	Automatic door openers: $400-$6,000	
	Ceiling track lifts: $1,500-$8,000	
	Door and hallway widening: $300-$40,000	
	Emergency exits: $2,600-$5,600	
	Grab bars: $85-$500	
	Ramps: $1,000-$5,000	
	Stairlift and porch lifts: $1,500-$6,000	
Home safety evaluation	$200-$300 per hour	$47 per 15 minutes, not to exceed $300
Personal emergency response system	Installation: $0-$103 Monthly service: $19-$40 Add-on services (including medication reminders, GPS locator and fall detector): $10-$43	Installation: $103 Monthly service: $85 per month

Care in a facility

Service name	Typical cost range	Maximum rate
Adult family home, including respite care	$135-$473 per day	$473 per day
Assisted living facility, including respite care	$125-$562 per day Respite: $6 per 15 minutes	$562 per day
Nursing home, including respite care	$260-$556 per day Respite: $6 per 15 minutes	$556 per day
Memory care in assisted living facility	$125-$624 per day	$624 per day