

Subsidy Information and List Effective 1 July 2006

PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR NEW SUBSIDY ITEMS INVOICES MUST BE DATED AFTER 1ST JULY 2006

- Services must relate to Spina Bifida &/or Hydrocephalus and applies to financial members only.
- Services and goods will not be subsidised if they can be claimed through your membership of a private health fund, CAAS (unless the allocation from this source is exhausted), ILEP or a similar funding body.
- **Receipts over six months old will not be accepted.**

25% Subsidy Applies to the Following:

- Basic cost of membership for Medic Alert
- Disposable napkins/pads for people over 4 years of age
- Protective pants/incontinence pants & plugs
- PATS – Country members; subsidy applies to current minimum patient contribution for travel & costs in addition to first nights accommodation
- Difference between Medicare/Health Fund Refund and Scheduled Fee only for services that relate specifically to treatment of Spina Bifida
(on this item a maximum subsidy of up to \$150 applies per calendar year)
- House cleaning – Cleaning services for independent living to a maximum subsidy of \$150 per calendar year
- A driving assessment performed by an OT
- Allied health services e.g. podiatry & dietician
- Ongoing costs of personal alarms
- Ongoing Maintenance cost of Gopher or Electric Wheelchairs where these repairs are not supported by other agencies

Claims on the following items will only be considered once every 5 years:

- Hand controls to enable a person with Spina Bifida to drive a motor vehicle (up to a maximum amount of \$100.00)
- Subsidy towards the purchase of powered transport aids (up to a maximum amount of \$500.00 per claim)
- Subsidy towards the purchase of manual wheelchairs (up to a maximum of \$250.00 per claim)

50% Subsidy Applies to the Following:

- Membership to Ileostomy/Colostomy & Diabetes Association and other allied services
- Membership to SA Ambulance for people over 18
- Catheters and catheterisation requirements as prescribed by a Urologist/Registered Nurse
- Repairs of calipers and orthopaedic sticks
- Orthotics and associated expenses
- Non PBS medications as discussed and approved by Outreach Nurses
- Managed fitness program up to \$100 per year

Any items not listed for Subsidy should be submitted with receipts for consideration or discussed with the Liaison Officer or Outreach Nurses at the SBHA office.

This subsidy document is effective from 1 July 2006 and may not apply beyond 30 June 2007