

# Cognitive Disability Strategy (CDS)

## Flexible Funding Eligibility/Non-Eligible Services List

Funding provided through CDS is for individuals with **unmet** needs related to their cognitive disability. Funding levels are determined by an income test and needs assessment. Requests for flexible funding must be related to the cognitive disability, not available through another service or funding source and recommended by a professional and support team. For information on how to apply for CDS, please visit: <https://publications.saskatchewan.ca/#/categories/222>

### The following may be eligible for CDS funding if no other funding options are available:

(\*CDS funding is not limited to the below listed services.)

**ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY** – Costs related to software for the sole purpose of communication devices. iPads, tablets, smartphones and computers are not eligible.

**BEHAVIOURAL SUPPORT MATERIAL** – Material costs related to the implementation of a Comprehensive Behavioural Support Plan.

**CAMP** – Costs for camps which include recreational, therapeutic or social activities with peers.

**CHILD/ADULT CARE** – Care costs when there is no subsidized or alternate care available due to the child's or adult's support needs, which exceed available options.

**DAY PROGRAM** – Costs related to supports for skill-based, leisure or meaningful day activity for individuals over the age of 18 and not involved with Community Living Service Delivery (CLSD).

**SUPPORTED INDEPENDENT LIVING** – Costs related to learning skills to live independently for individuals over the age of 18, not involved with (CLSD).

**FAMILY SUPPORT** – Costs related to family support where the parent has a cognitive disability.

**INCONTINENCE SUPPLIES** – Incontinence supplies for individuals over the age of four.

**MENTORSHIP** – Mentorship costs related to specific developmental goal(s) for the purpose of social, emotional, and/or skill development. Mentoring programs must include clearly outlined objectives/goals and structured activities related to the individual's developmental stage. The mentorship plan must also include, how, who, and when the plan will be monitored and evaluated.

**RESPIRE** – Respite expenses for the purpose of providing a break from the typical responsibilities of care giving.

**THERAPY** - Therapeutic interventions recommended by a professional related to their field of expertise, for example: occupational; speech and language; physical; equine; music; and art therapy; applied behavioural analysis; and counselling. Requests must include clear performance measurements and outcomes. Therapy must be provided by a qualified professional licensed or certified by a regulated or professional body. Program supply items directly related to the therapeutic or skills-based intervention.

**TRANSPORTATION** – Some transportation related costs MAY be eligible if specifically related to an eligible CDS service.

### The following items are not eligible for CDS funding:

- **Basic needs** - housing costs, bills, food etc.
- **Medical travel costs** - mileage, meals, parking etc.
- **Employment support** - job coach, employment wage supplements
- **Property damage** -household repair
- **Medication** - prescribed medication
- **Program costs and memberships** - recreational or sports/program fee
- **Medical supplies and equipment** - vitamins, supplements, and medical equipment
- **Tutor services** - education related support
- **Vacations**

Please note: this listing of eligible and non-eligible services is not exclusive. For more information about eligible services, please refer to the [Cognitive Disability Strategy Policy Manual](#) or [contact your local CDC](#).