

ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE SUPPLEMENTS

There is a selection of supplements available through the Ministry of Social Development & Poverty Reduction (MSDPR) to assist with a variety of needs including medical expenses, unexpected expenses and other assortment of benefits.



TO BE ELIGIBLE

There are 3 different categories of income assistance: **Employable** (regular IA), **Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers** (PPMB) and **Persons with Disabilities** (PWD). See the table below to see which supplements fit under which category of Ministry assistance:

AVAILABLE TO ALL RECIPIENTS		
GENERAL SUPPLEMENTS		HEALTH SUPPLEMENTS
+ Appeal Supplement	+ ID Supplement	+ Alcohol & Drug Residential Treatment Supplement
+ BC Bus Pass Program	+ Lost or Stolen Cheque	+ Diet Supplement
+ Camp Fees	+ Moving, Transportation and Living Costs	+ Emergency Dental Supplements
+ Child Benefits Top-up	+ Security & Pet Security Deposit	+ Infant Formula Supplement
+ Christmas	+ Pre-Natal Shelter	+ Natal Supplement
+ Confirmed Job	+ School Start-Up	+ Short Term Nutritional Supplement
+ Co-op Share Purchase	+ Transportation to Alcohol & Drug Facilities	+ Optical Supplement
+ Crisis Supplements	+ Travel Supplement	+ Tube Feeding Supplement
+ Family Maintenance	+ Utility Security Deposit	
+ Funeral Costs		
+ Guide/Service Dog		
PPMB & PWD RECIPIENTS ONLY		PWD RECIPIENTS ONLY
SUPPLEMENTS		SUPPLEMENTS
+ Alternative Hearing Assistance	+ Medical Equipment	+ Transportation supplement or PWD Bus Pass Program
+ Dental Supplement	+ Medical Devices	+ Monthly Nutritional Supplement
+ Extended Medical Therapies	+ Medical Transportation	
+ Hearing Aids Supplement	+ Orthotics & Bracing	
+ Medical Supplies		

Source: [Health Supplements Summary Table](#)

Assessing Eligibility

Eligibility for some supplements are determined by the worker while others require a form to be completed or through an assessment done by a medical professional (i.e. an occupational therapist). Some requests may go to the Health Assistance Branch of the Ministry where they will determine eligibility for the supplement.