

# What can Home Care Package funds be used for?

Your Home Care Package funds can only be used to purchase care and services that meet your care needs as assessed by the ACAT. These assessed needs are explained in your My Aged Care support plan.

Co.As.It. must use this information to work with you to develop your care plan including the items and support services which will be purchased from your package.

These items are limited to specific areas and types of needs.

Area of Care	Items and services included
Personal services	Help with personal activities such as bathing, showering, toileting, dressing and undressing, mobility and communication. This might also include mobility aids.
Nutrition, hydration, meal preparation and diet:	Help with preparing meals, including special diets for health, religious, cultural or other reasons, help with using eating utensils and help with feeding or even cooking lessons.
Continence management	Help with using continence aids and appliances such as disposable pads and absorbent aids, commode chairs, bedpans and urinals, catheter and urinary drainage appliances, and enemas
Maintaining your movement	Providing crutches, quadruped walkers, walking frames, walking sticks, mechanical devices for lifting, slide sheets, sheepskins, tri-pillows, pressure-relieving mattresses and help using these aids
Nursing	Allied health and therapy services: for example, this may include speech therapy, podiatry, occupational or physiotherapy services and other clinical services such as hearing and vision services or our nurse to visit you to complete a comprehensive clinical assessment or review a health issue with you.
Transport and personal help	Help with shopping or visiting health practitioners and attending social activities
Management of skin integrity	Help with bandages, dressings and skin emollients.
Services to support you to be safe	Telehealth: video conferencing and digital technology (including remote monitoring) to increase your access to timely and appropriate care  Assistive technology: such as devices that assist mobility, communication and personal safety  Basic garden and lawn maintenance to keep you home safe Or paying towards some modifications at home related to maintaining your independence

# What can't Home Care Package funds be used for?

Home Care Package funds cannot be used as a general source of income for items. Some of the excluded items are listed below

Some of the Items which can't be purchased with your funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• day-to-day bills</li> <li>• food</li> <li>• vitamins and meal supplements</li> <li>• General home improvement</li> <li>• mortgage payments or rent.</li> <li>• types of care which are funded, or jointly funded, by the Australian Government including medication</li> <li>• Travel and accommodation entertainment activities, such as club memberships or tickets to sporting events.</li> </ul>
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