

Policy - Direct Services to Members of Épilepsie Gaspésie Sud

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Financial assistance to individuals living with epilepsy

- It is important to mention that the granting of its services is subject to funding.

Mandatory Criteria that apply to all services included in this document:

- *Being a person living with epilepsy or a parent of a child living with epilepsy*
- *Be an active member of the Association Épilepsie Gaspésie Sud and reside in the following territory; MRC Avignon, Bonaventure and Rocher Percé*
- *Comply with By-Laws 1.1.2 active member definition and the general admission conditions for active members, 2.1.*

Financial assistance in neurology

To consult a specialist in neurology or pediatrics, for medical monitoring in term of epilepsy.

↵ 40.00 \$	=	Gaspé
↵ 60.00 \$	=	Rimouski
↵ 100.00 \$	=	Québec
↵ 120.00 \$	=	Montréal

* The mileage as well as the meals for the user and the companion are included in the amounts, in both cases, mentioned above.

For Maria or Chandler hospitals, we will allocate 0,20\$ per kilometer (social assistance recipients) and 0.30\$ per kilometer for those who travel for their child in pediatrics for neurological monitoring. Also, for the adult who would have special exams for epilepsy.

* Parking is refunded with proof. (Ticket, receipt)

* Fixed meal expenses. Epileptic member only, who travels more than 30 km will be able to benefit from this service. The epileptic member will receive 15.00 \$ for a meal and companion 12.00 \$ for a meal. On presentation of receipts.

Example for reference

From Nouvelle to Maria	=	31 km (24 minutes)
From Caplan to Maria	=	30 km (22 minutes)
From Port-Daniel to Chandler	=	36 km (25 minutes)
From Cap d'Espoir to Chandler	=	29 km (23 minutes)

Document to be provided to Épilepsie Gaspésie Sud

- ↪ Medical certificate (Attestation of attendance at the appointment)
- ↪ Other if needed

Medical alert bracelet

Mandatory criteria

- **Check the free of charge by other organizations before (ex: Medic-Alert)**

Depending on the cost of the bracelet, the Association will pay an amount of 40.00 \$.

* Upon presentation of supporting documents.

Cellular

An amount of 50.00 \$ / year will be paid for the costs related to its use on presentation of supporting documents. For people who do not have a cell phone, an amount of 50.00 \$ will be granted to them on the purchase upon presentation of supporting documents.

Specialized equipment

Still linked to epilepsy, the Association could collaborate financially by granting 10%, depending on the situation to be evaluated and the available funding.

Or

An amount representing 50% of the monthly invoice, up to 30.00\$ / month.

- Specialized equipment for a disabled person with epilepsy;
- Equipment that could help with surveillance when a person is alone in housing;
- On medical recommendations with supporting evidence.

Valuation costs

Children or adults living with epilepsy may be eligible for financial assistance for development assistance, which includes:

- Physical activity;
- Cultural;
- Social motivations.

100.00\$ / year (which includes adapted transport)

A written request must be made with supporting documents (could be photos)

School fees

Mandatory criteria

Child or adult living with epilepsy attending school, primary, secondary, adult or post-secondary education.

According to criteria established for low-income families and based on family income. Financial assistance is provided according to the funding.

- Registration fees will be refunded of an amount up to 100.00\$/year
- School effects fees will be refunded of an amount up to 100.00\$/year all included

If the income exceeds the criteria, the child or adult living with epilepsy will be entitled to a reimbursement in the cumulative amount of 100.00\$ for the purchase of school fees and this, upon presentation of detailed supporting documents.

- Copy of paid registration invoice
- Invoices of school effects
- Etc.

Other services

Any situation deemed relevant and/or urgent in direct connection with epilepsy will be evaluated individually.

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President