

FUNDING RESOURCES FOR HOME MODIFICATIONS AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY (AT)

More detailed information can be found on the Accessible System's website: www.AccessibleMed.com/funding-insurance

VA FUNDING PROGRAMS

Who is eligible? Veterans or servicemembers, with a permanent and total service-connected disability, who have experienced one or more of the following conditions:

- · Loss of (or loss of use of) both arms and/or both legs
- · Blindness in both eyes or only light perception
- · Certain severe burns
- · Certain severe respiratory injuries

Three grant programs exist:

- · SAH Grant (Specially Adapted Housing)
- · SHA Grant (Special Housing Adaptation)
- · HISA Grant (Home Improvements and Structural Alterations

To receive one of the three VA Housing Grants, the veteran must have an established relationship with a VA Primary Care Physician

How to Apply:

· Visit www.ebenefits.va.gov or call 1-800-827-1000 to have a claim form mailed

COLORADO MEDICAID FUNDING PROGRAMS

The Home Modification Waiver is available under Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program). It allows for specific modifications, adaptations, or improvements in an eligible client's existing home setting. **Who is eligible?** Eligibility is based on the member's medical condition. Home modifications must:

- · Be necessary to ensure the health, welfare, and safety of the member, and
- · Enable the member to function with greater independence in the home, and
- · Be required due to the client's illness, impairment or disability, as documented on the ULTC-100.2 form and the care plan; and
- · Prevents institutionalization of the member

Home Modifications, adaptations, or improvements may include, but are not limited to:

· Installing or building ramps

· Modifying bathrooms

· Widening doorways

- · Modifying kitchen facilities
- · Installing grab bars and other durable medical equipment as part of a larger home modification project
- · Installing specialized electric and plumbing systems that are necessary to accommodate medically necessary equipment and Supplies

There is a \$14,000 lifetime maximum for the Home Modification Benefit for the following waivers:

· Brain Injury Waiver

- · Community Mental Health Supports Waiver
- · Spinal Cord Injury Waiver
- · Elderly, Blind, and Disabled Waiver

ADDITIONAL FUNDING RESOURCES

Assistive Technology Partners Funding

- www.atia.org/home/at-resources/what-is-at/resources-funding-guide/
- An online database providing individuals with disabilities, family members, and caregivers with a single point of entry for determining where to seek funding for Assistive Technology (AT) devices, equipment, or software across the state of Colorado. There are over 2000 funding programs for all types of needs. Visit the website to sort by disability, need, age, county and more.

A.V Hunter Trust, Inc.

- www.avhuntertrust.org
- The application for assistance form is to be filled out only by a social worker, caseworker, or third party professional acting on behalf of their client/patient. See website for rules or call 303-399-5482

Friends of Man

- www.friendsofman.org
- Applications are accepted only from referring professionals (health care and social workers, clergy, counselors, etc.) on behalf of people in need of assistance. If the application is approved, Friends of Man pays a vendor for the needed items or services. Friends of Man also has a Children's Assistance Program

Colorado Fund for People with Disabilities

- www.cfpdtrust.org
- 303-476-6314

Long Term Care Insurance

- Every LTC policy is different. Look within the policy for durable medical equipment or home modifications benefit information. The cost of modifications is typically taken on by the policy holder with reimbursement coming from the insurance company.

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

- www.colorado.gov/dvr
- Local DVR offices work with individuals with disabilities to prepare for, obtain, advance in, and maintain employment by providing a wide range of services based on individual employment needs and goals. These can include, but are not limited to, modifications made to the home.

Tax Savings

- When a physician writes an order for medical equipment, the sales tax is waived.