



Royal Canadian Mounted Police Veterans Association/
Association des Anciens de la GRC

Temporary changes to the Treatment Benefits program to reimburse the purchase of PPE for qualified VAC recipients.

The following information was provided by VAC, in response to a question from an RCMP Veteran who has a VAC Disability Pension. The question concerned the temporary change to the Treatment Benefits Program.

The VAC representative advised if you have a VAC Disability Pension and receiving medical treatments from your health professional for your condition and must travel to their facility for the treatment then you may be entitled for benefits for personal protection equipment.

Do I qualify?

You will qualify for healthcare coverage if you qualify for:

- a [disability benefit](#) (NOTE: Hearing Loss/Tinnitus may not qualify – check with VAC)
- the [Veterans Independence Program](#) (Military Service needed),
- the [War Veterans Allowance](#), or
- financial assistance from VAC for [long-term care](#).

The following link explain the benefit:

https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/financial-support/medical-costs/treatment-benefits/poc_search/results?poc=07&prov=NS&code=400935

https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/financial-support/medical-costs/treatment-benefits/poc_search/details/400935?prov=NS

<https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/financial-support/medical-costs/treatment-benefits#01>

During the COVID-19 pandemic, VAC have made temporary changes to the Treatment Benefits program to ensure you receive the treatment and services you need. [Learn more.](#)

Personal Protective Equipment

- **I need personal protective equipment to attend my health appointments. Will VAC pay for this?**

Yes, you may be covered if you need to wear personal protective equipment such as non-medical masks and/or gloves to receive treatment.

Additionally, if you need an escort to attend your appointment with you or if you have a family member attending VAC authorized treatment, their personal protective equipment will also be covered.

- **What type of personal protective equipment is covered?**

VAC will reimburse personal protective equipment including non-medical masks and/or gloves. If your health professional requires you wear other personal protective equipment \$200.00/CY - Benefit Code 400935

- **How do I get reimbursed for personal protective equipment?**

You can use your VAC Health Identification Card to purchase personal protective equipment. You can use this card with VAC registered health care providers such as your local pharmacy or treating health professional. They will bill VAC directly so you do not need to pay out of pocket.

If you are unable to use your VAC Health Identification Card, please complete a [VAC 918 Client Reimbursement Claim Form](#) and submit to Medavie Blue Cross by mail to:

National Reimbursement Centre
PO Box 6700
Moncton, NB E1C 0T8

You will need to submit your proof of payment (original receipt or invoice) that shows:

- the date you received the benefit or service;
- the name of the benefit or service;
- the amount you paid; and,
- the name and address of the provider.

Details: Benefit Code 400935

Benefit Description

COVID SUPPLIES (NON-MEDICAL MASKS, GLOVES, HAND SANITIZER)

Benefit Code Number

400935

Program of Choice

POC07—Medical supplies

Province: All Provinces and Territories

Prescriber Required

No

Recommender Required

No

Preauthorization Required

No

Limit

\$200.00/CY

Frequency

N/A

Negotiated Fee

N/A

Provincial Coverage

No

Comments

For specific information on pricing and availability, please contact the [Regional or District Office](#) in your area.

Notes

GENERAL NOTES COMMAS APPEARING IN THE "PRESCRIBER REQUIRED" AND "RECOMMENDER REQUIRED" COLUMNS INDICATE OR, EG. "MD", "RN" MEANS "MD" OR "RN". SPECIAL NOTES

Get help

- **If you have questions about your health coverage or about VAC's treatment benefits program, visit any [VAC office](#) or call us at 1-866-522-2122. You can also contact [Medavie Blue Cross](#)**