

# Information on Government Subsidy Schemes for Continence Aids

## Continence Aids Payment Scheme (CAPS)

- Federal funded scheme
- Payment as at July 2013 - \$533.50/financial year. This is indexed annually
- Funds are deposited into the clients nominated bank account via Medicare

### Eligibility Criteria

- Eligible medical condition/neurological condition as per guidelines
- Over 5 years of age
- Permanent resident of Australia
- **Not eligible** if:
  - assessed as high care/EACH package approved
  - Under 5 years of age

### Helpful Resources

- [www.bladderbowel.gov.au](http://www.bladderbowel.gov.au)
- Medicare 132011
- CAPS Forms available from the Dept of Health & Ageing Ph: 026291000
- NSW Ministry of Health internet -> link->ACI-> resources. (NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation)

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## EnableNSW

- State funded scheme
- CAPS funding must be used first **if** eligible for both schemes
- Client pays a co-payment of \$100/financial year and therefore this is not a useful option unless equipment costs exceed \$200 above the CAPS allocation

### Eligibility Criteria

- Permanent long-term disability – likely to last longer than 12months as per guidelines
- Permanent resident of NSW
- **Not eligible** if:
  - in group home operated by Dept of Ageing & Disability & Home care
  - assessed as high care/EACH package approved

### Helpful Resources

- [enable@hss.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:enable@hss.health.nsw.gov.au)
- Ph: 1800362253
- [www.enable.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.enable.health.nsw.gov.au)