

Subject/Title: <b>Designated Supportive Living Accommodation Charges</b>	<b>Directive: D6-2013</b>
	<b>Effective Date: September 1, 2013</b>
	<b>Issuer: Minister of Health</b>

**TO: Official Administrator, Alberta Health Services**

For the purpose of ensuring there is a consistent approach to the setting of accommodation charges in a Designated Supportive Living Unit, and pursuant to section 8 of the *Regional Health Authorities Act*, I, Fred Horne, Minister of Health, hereby direct as follows:

1. Alberta Health shall be responsible for prescribing the maximum accommodation charges in a Designated Supportive Living Unit.
2. The maximum accommodation charges in a Designated Supportive Living Unit shall not exceed
  - (a) for a semi-private room, the maximum daily accommodation charges prescribed for a semi-private room in the *Nursing Homes Operation Regulation*, and
  - (b) for a private room, the maximum daily accommodation charges prescribed for a private room in the *Nursing Homes Operation Regulation*.
3. The regional health authority shall limit an operator of a Designated Supportive Living Unit ("Operator") from exceeding the maximum daily accommodation charges as set out in section 2.
4. In this directive "Designated Supportive Living Unit" means a unit at a supportive living site that has been designated by the regional health authority to provide for the care and accommodation of a client where the regional health authority
  - (a) has assigned the client to that unit, and
  - (b) has a contractual agreement with an Operator to fund the provision of health services for the client while the client resides in that unit.

5. The following applies to a resident who has entered a Designated Supportive Living Unit prior to September 1, 2013
- (a) The maximum accommodation charges shall not change on September 1, 2013 as a result of this directive,
- (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), if there is any subsequent amendment to the accommodation charges prescribed in the *Nursing Homes Operation Regulation*, the resident shall be subject to pay not more than the amount as determined by the following formula:

$$A = B + C$$

Where


A is the maximum accommodation charge levied by an Operator;

B is the accommodation charge the resident was paying on September 1, 2013;

C is the percentage of the accommodation charge increase as expressed in a dollar amount.

6. The maximum accommodation charges for a Designated Supportive Living Unit that is not a semi-private room or a private room will be established by Alberta Health outside of this directive.

Signed at Edmonton in the Province of Alberta, on the 7 day of August, 2013.

  
FRED HORNE  
Minister  
Alberta Health